



Matching Gifts Program






Does your company offer a Matching Gifts program to support nonprofits?

Would you like to assist metroplex disaster preparedness?

If yes to either questions, consider a matching gift for Dallas CERT Inc.

When a disaster hits, CERTs are trained to assist first-responders with search, rescue, evacuation, shelter, first aid, clean-up, and a variety of other duties.

Each CERT receives 24 hours of training including:

-  fire safety
-  disaster medical operations
-  search and rescue
-  terrorism
-  incident command organization



In Dallas, we have more than 2000 trained CERTs who have assisted in tornadoes, floods, and search. We also assist in civic events such as marathons and fairs in areas such as crowd control, shelter operations, and first aid support.

CERT training emphasizes personal accountability for self, family and community by stressing the importance of personal preparedness and accountability. Prior to an emergency, CERT members are

expected to have an awareness of their own neighborhoods, and to pre-determine possible evacuation sites that will facilitate effective, safe and rapid response to emergencies.

Dallas CERT Inc. was formed in 2014 with a mission of

"to provide CERT tools, supplies, and information to be utilized in making our community prepared and to adequately respond in the event of an emergency."

It is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization which

- supports preparedness programs and training
- funds projects, programs, and equipment
- promotes CERT community disaster preparedness
- collaborates and supports Dallas and surrounding cities to prepare our part of Texas



We raise funds for:

- preparedness trailers—stocked with preparedness supplies
- additional, advanced training for CERT members
- assistance in equipping and organizing CERTs in our neighborhoods, community organizations, and businesses

So how can you and your company help?

Employee Matching Gifts are donations an employer makes to match its employees' charitable contributions.

Usually associated with corporate grants and gifts, they often are dollar-for-dollar, but some will give double or even triple the original donation. Some may also give matching gifts for employees' volunteer efforts, time, and participation.

Guidelines and amounts vary with each company. Typically, individuals must submit forms to their employers.

You'll want to start by contacting your Human Resources department, owner, or corporate gifts office since each company has their own requirements, paperwork, and process.

We will work with your company by providing necessary documents such as our Tax ID/EIN, IRS verification letter, 990, and other required forms and documentation.



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