

The new IAFF **Emergency Response to Hazardous Materials (ER2HM)** course teaches members how to plan for and respond to a natural or man-made disaster, in addition to providing emergency response training to other leaders and/or members of your community.

This community approach to disaster recovery seeks to engage all stakeholders and leaders in the community to provide a unified response when hit with natural or man-made disasters.

If you are interested in this course, send your requests or questions to hazmat@iaff.org or call (202) 824-9311.

This course combines three to four hours of web-based training and a two-day, instructor-led mobile training program. Participants who achieve a passing score of 70 percent on the post test will be Pro Board certified at the Awareness level.

Because of the community-centered approach, we are encouraging our members who sign up for the course to reach out to leaders in their area to recommend they participate as well. This includes:

- Law enforcement
- Emergency managers
- Organizations serving persons with disabilities
- Faith-based organizations
- Skilled support personnel (public works, private industry, hospitals, etc.)

Members of the community who are trained in disaster response can assist in planning for a disaster, aid in response and coordinate recovery after the incident. Curriculum includes emergency response, EMS, evacuation, preparing shelters, providing food and water to those in need and other considerations that should be evaluated before an incident occurs.