

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION TRAINING

*Emergency organizations in the
Mesa County area depend on trained, prepared
amateur radio operators!*

One thing that they all have in common is the need to keep members up to date on the latest developments in radio communication. As technology improves, it's important to stay current on the latest trends, and to **practice** existing techniques so we'll be ready when the call comes to hit the field!

It doesn't matter which organizations you serve:

- *ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service)*
- *RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services)*
- *Mesa County Search and Rescue Control*
- *AUXCOMM (Colorado DHS Emergency Management Auxiliary Communications)*
- *Civil Air Patrol*
- *SATERN (Salvation Army Emergency Radio Network)*
- *CERT (Community Emergency Response Team)*
- *MARS (Military Auxiliary Radio System)*
- *SkyWarn*

Communicators in every group need to brush up on basic skills and learn new ones. Please join us the fourth Saturday of every month, starting January 26th. We'll meet at First Christian Church, 1326 North 1st Street in Grand Junction (the location where the last two HamFests were held). Our goal is to tap into the collective knowledge of the ham community to leverage our knowledge base and improve all of these organizations. Some proposed topics include:

- Digital modes for EmComm (WinLink/WinMor, DMR, packet modes, etc.)
- Designing and building a Go Kit and 72-hour bag
- Creating your own antennas in the field
- Operating practices for field communications
- Interoperability with other agencies and government entities
- Bring your ideas!

Come with your ideas and suggest topics that would interest you and the groups you serve. Do you have a particular expertise that would make a good program? Let me know if there are any situations that have proven difficult in the field and we'll see what we can do to help!

Meetings held at:

First Christian Church

1326 North 1st Street - Grand Junction, CO 81501

Fourth Saturday of the month at 9:00 a.m.

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