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BRISTOL CERT TEAM RECEIVES COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD FROM BRISTOL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

(BRISTOL, CT – August 16, 2023) The City of Bristol congratulates the Bristol Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for receiving the 2023 Community Service Award. The award was presented to CERT by the Bristol Historical Society at their annual dinner held on August 9, 2023.

CERT was recognized for their many civic activities with a focus on their city-wide contribution to assisting with several activities and community needs which took place during the COVID-19 pandemic.

“I would like to thank the Bristol CERT for all the support they provide the Bristol community now and over the course of the last three years during the COVID-19 pandemic,” stated Mayor Jeffrey Caggiano. “I commend them for their efforts to continue to inform the community about how to prepare for natural disasters as well as assisting at the many community events that take place throughout the year.”

“I am very proud of the Bristol CERT members for receiving this award. It is positive recognition of their actions and dedication to the Bristol community,” stated Harley Graime, Emergency Management Director for the City of Bristol

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Bristol CERT was awarded the Community Service Award at the annual Bristol Historical Society Dinner held on August 9, 2023.



CERT Members who accepted the award from left to right: Don Barlowski, Alyce Barlowski, Robert LaChase, Tim Gamache, Michael Vito Montelli, Mariola Anachasian, Harley Graime

ABOUT CERT

The City of Bristol Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is comprised of volunteer citizens, who are trained in basic life safety and emergency preparedness skills. The program is community based in order to provide rapid and safe care for our residents and to provide support to the City's emergency personnel in the event of a major incident or large-scale disaster. To learn more about CERT or how to become a volunteer, visit their website:

<https://www.bristolcert.com/>

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