



# Functional Assessment Service Team (FAST) Leadership Recruitment

## Call to Action

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services, building on programs developed in Milwaukee and Waukesha Counties, is leading a statewide initiative to identify, recruit, and train state, regional, and local Functional Assessment Service Teams (FAST) in partnership with:

American Red Cross: Badger & Southeast WI Chapters

Department of Health Services:

Division of Long-Term Care

Division of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services

Division of Public Health

Milwaukee County Emergency Management

Waukesha Health & Human Services Department

Western Wisconsin Public Health Consortium

Wisconsin Emergency Management

Wisconsin Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

We are seeking your assistance and leadership in sharing information on the initiative's training and partnering opportunities with key stakeholders. Please help identify and recruit localities where a tribe, department, agency, or organization will:

- Assume local or regional leadership of the FAST initiative.
- Make a commitment to developing appropriate policies and procedures to administer and implement FAST.
- Recruit, support, and sustain teams that can address the full range of needs people might have in communications, transportation, health and behavioral health, maintaining independence, and safety and assistance during a disaster.
- Host training.

Beginning in March 2013, Wisconsin Emergency Management will offer FAST training at a series of regional events across the state. The two-day (16-hour) Homeland Security-approved course will be free of charge to pre-approved course participants who are committed to serving on a team.

### Course Topics:

- ✿ **FAST Operations**
- ✿ **Resource Request Process**
- ✿ **Emergency Management**
- ✿ **Roles and Responsibilities**
- ✿ **Basic Shelter Operations Overview**
- ✿ **Preparation and Response**
- ✿ **Recovery: Transition and Demobilization**
- ✿ **Practical Application –Table Top Exercise**

Admittance to this course will be limited to those individuals who are ready to commit to becoming a FAST member, register with the Wisconsin Emergency Assistance Volunteer Registry (WEAVR), and pass a criminal background check as part of the credentialing process.

<http://EmergencyManagement.wi.gov/FAST/>

