

Skywarn is an effort to save lives during severe weather emergencies by expanding networks of spotters and by encouraging the widest possible participation in tornado warning programs. There is no way to stop tornadoes, and not all tornadoes show up on radar, but they can be seen. Lives can be saved. Only one instrument can detect a tornado or funnel with complete certainty, the human eye.

**Skywarn training** sessions are held to train individuals on how to accurately observe such weather phenomena as floods, hail, wind and its associated damage, cloud features that lead to tornadoes, and those cloud features that do not lead to tornadoes. The class covers what information to report and how to report it. Basic

severe weather safety is also covered. Classes are FREE and last 1.5 hours. While new technological and scientific tools have advanced the National Weather Service (NWS) capability to predict severe weather, the trained spotter remains essential to the NWS warning process. The more trained "eyes" we have in the field during a severe weather event, the better our service to you and the public will be. More concern, more spotters, more eyes are needed. Lend us yours - learn SKYWARN!

## SPOTTER TRAINING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 4	Oakland County Homeland Security Division
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	L. Brooks Patterson Bldg. (41W), 2100 Pontiac Lk Rd, Waterford, 48328
Saturday, March 14	Oakland County Homeland Security Division
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	L. Brooks Patterson Bldg. (41W), 2100 Pontiac Lk Rd, Waterford, 48328
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1:00 PM – 2:30 PM	L. Brooks Patterson Bldg. (41W), 2100 Pontiac Lk Rd, Waterford, 48328
Wednesday, March 18	Oakland Community Health Network
6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	5505 Corporate Drive, Troy, 48098
Tuesday, March 24	Rochester Fire Department
7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	277 E Second Street, Rochester, 48307
Thursday, March 26	Southfield Public Library
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM	26300 Evergreen Rd, Southfield, 48076
Monday, March 30	Independence Township Fire Department
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	6500 Citation Dr, Clarkston, 48346

All interested parties (i.e. fire, police, EMS, security, volunteers, and citizens) are encouraged to attend.

The **Oakland County Homeland Security Division** coordinates this program.

Limited space is available, so make your reservations now!



Go to: oakgov.com/homelandsecurity and click on the Skywarn logo to register or call 248-858-5300

