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BOOTS ON THE GROUND: PA STATE ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM

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PA State Animal Response Team (PASART)

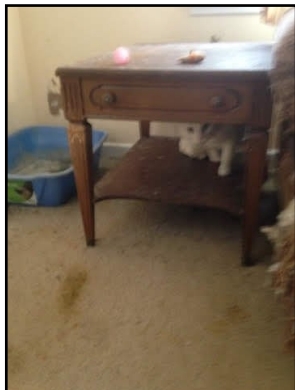


The Pennsylvania State Animal Response Team's motto is "Any Animal, Any Emergency, Any Time" and we live up to it! In the month of May alone, our volunteers worked to get a bull out of a manure pit, provided supplies for pets displaced by two house fires, and are on standby to help re-home 10 abandoned chickens.

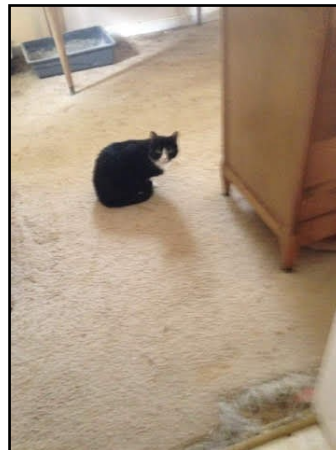
County Animal Response Teams are available through the 9-1-1 system to assist in any emergency affecting animals and increasingly, that has meant assisting law enforcement. These requests are tricky because animal ownership doesn't end just because someone is going to jail, and these animals can wind up in limbo. However, we are available to assist in capturing and transporting animals with our sheltering partners.

In late April, our Cumberland Coordinator was contacted by a local Sheriff's deputy for assistance in removing nearly 40 cats from a home. As this was a law enforcement action we had to be very careful to provide only that assistance which would not jeopardize the ownership status of the animals which might tie them up in the legal process and prevent the animals from going to a new home.

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PEMA Headquarters, Harrisburg, PA

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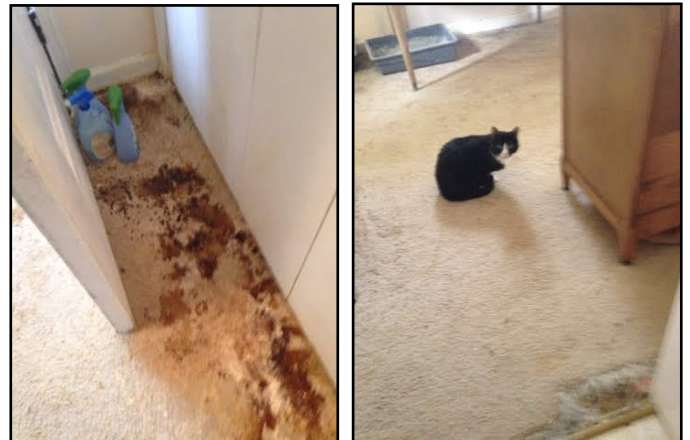
Rescued Cats in PA-SART Sheltering Trailer

As part of the planning process, we worked with our amazing sheltering partners: the Humane Society of the Harrisburg Area and the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (PSPCA) Lancaster Center. who agreed to take in the cats, get them healthy, and adopt them to new forever homes. So as soon as all the cats were loaded in, they were transported directly to the shelters and our Cumberland volunteers got some much needed rest from literally, wrangling cats!

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These are the conditions encountered by the CART in the home.



FEMA RELEASES SENIOR LEADER TOOLKIT



National Incident Management System

FEMA's National Integration Center today released a Senior Leader Toolkit, a resource that both emergency managers and senior leaders can use to discuss roles and responsibilities during incidents.

FEMA supports the mission of strengthening the security and resilience of the nation by working to improve the ability to manage incidents, events, and emergencies.

Senior leaders and policy makers play a critical role in incident management. This role varies widely across the nation according to local laws and authorities. FEMA stakeholders have asked for assistance developing materials for their senior leaders; however, FEMA understands that local personnel best understand the specific roles and responsibilities within their jurisdiction. For this reason, FEMA is releasing these documents as customizable templates, so that local emergency managers can revise them according to their local authorities and procedures.

The templates include:

- Elected Officials/Senior Executives Quick Reference Guide
- Department Head Quick Reference Guide
- NIMS Senior Leader Briefing Template

The toolkit is available on the [FEMA website](https://www.fema.gov) or by going to <https://www.fema.gov/national-incident-management-system>



MITIGATION MINUTE



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A community lifeline enables the continuous operation of business and government functions and is critical to human health and safety or economic security. The lifelines concept reframes incident information to provide decision makers with impact statements and root causes and is intended to maximize the effectiveness of federally supported state managed and locally executed response. FEMA recently released the community lifelines implementation toolkit, which provides our partners with the information and resources to understand lifelines, coordinate with entities using lifelines, and serve as basic guidance for how to implement the lifelines construct during an incident response. On this episode, we talked to Jeremy Greenberg from FEMA's Response Directorate about the lifelines concept and how the toolkit will be used to support all units of government in disaster responses.

To listen to this podcast, click the following link:

https://www.fema.gov/media-library-data/1552483272133-7567cf8cbcc5c943300fde05ee762bfe/STLL_Lifeline_Mix1.mp3



RESTORE PA: A PLAN FOR PENNSYLVANIA'S FUTURE

By now, many of you have probably heard about Governor Wolf's Restore Pennsylvania plan to address critical infrastructure needs across Pennsylvania. PEMA, along with other state agencies, have held multiple press conferences across the state to bring attention to the proposal and talk to county and local leaders in communities that would benefit from the program.

From an emergency management perspective, there are several elements of the plan that could benefit countless communities in Pennsylvania:

- Restore Pennsylvania will create a disaster relief trust fund to assist individuals who suffer losses that are not compensated by FEMA or other federal programs.
- Restore Pennsylvania will provide funding for flood prevention through projects like upgrading flood walls and levees, replacing high-hazard dams, and stream restoration and maintenance.
- Restore Pennsylvania will provide grants to municipalities to help them implement solutions to comply with storm water mandates, including incentives for working with neighboring communities.

Record-setting rain in 2018 made it apparent that despite the tremendous impact of storms, the localized nature of these incidents is making it even harder to meet federal thresholds for Public and Individual Assistance – meaning state and local governments must bear more of the burden of supporting disaster survivors and repairing or replacing infrastructure in Pennsylvania.

We know that for every \$1 spent on mitigation, we can save \$7 in response and recovery costs. Flooding prevention must be part of the larger picture of resilience in our communities, and Restore Pennsylvania would provide resources to local leaders to protect against severe weather and save homes and businesses in flood prone areas across the state. But flooding isn't limited

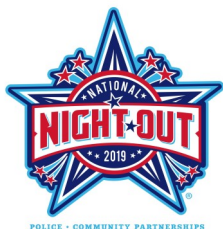
to federally-identified flood zones. From 1993 – 2018, 94% of flooding reports to the National Weather Service have been from outside floodplains – meaning many of the people who are impacted are not required to have flood insurance. Just one inch of water on the first floor of your home causes, on average, about \$25,000 in damages that aren't covered by most homeowners insurance policies. The federal Individual Assistance declaration for Hurricane Harvey in Texas paid out an average of about \$4,300. Very few people have cash on hand to make up the more than \$20,000 difference.

So as emergency managers, what can we do?

- Encourage people in your communities to consider flood insurance. The PA Insurance Department has a lot of helpful resources on their website: www.insurance.pa.gov.
- Learn about Restore Pennsylvania at www.governor.pa.gov/restore-pennsylvania and encourage your state elected officials to support the plan.
- Let us know if you'd like to host a Restore Pennsylvania press event in your county.



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2019



Tuesday, August 6, 2019 is National Night Out (NNO). NNO is an annual community-building campaign that provides an opportunity to bring police and neighbors together under positive circumstances. Many emergency services participate in NNO, as well.

In 2018, the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency made available NNO Prep Packs. The packs include printed preparedness materials for kids and families and made available to county and local emergency management agencies, police departments, communities, etc. to use during their National Night Out events. In 2018, almost 50,000 preparedness materials were shared across the state. For 2019, we want to double that.


Each County Emergency Management Agency will be receiving the National Night Out Prep Pack Request Form. Please share this with *their local emergency management partners, municipalities, and police departments*.





Swatara Township, Dauphin County. © Rutherford Fire Company



Dauphin County Sheriff's Department Deputy Josh Long hands Karter Rudy a coloring book during National Night Out in Middletown, Dauphin County. © Middletown Press and Journal




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National Night Out Prep Pack


In order to assist county and municipal emergency management agencies, the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency is providing a National Night Out Outreach Kit. Each kit contains:




100 "Super Safety Squad" Coloring/Activity Books




200 "Preparing Makes Sense for People with Disabilities" Tri-Fold Brochures




200 "Preparing Makes Sense for Older Americans" Tri-Fold Brochures




200 "Get Ready Now" Tri-Fold Brochures



200 Copies of "Family Emergency Plan" Cards



Sample of the July 2019 ReadyPA Monthly Newsletter



ReadyPA Monthly Newsletter Sign-Up Sheet

We will also email you ReadyPA Action Sheets that you can print yourself. We will include:

- Pet Preparedness
- Financial Preparedness
- FRED the Preparedness Dog

To order your National Night Out Prep Pack, complete the order form and email it to the PEMA External Affairs Office at: readypa@pa.gov. Include "2019 NNO Prep Pack" in the subject line.

All order must be received by no later than Tuesday, July 30, 2019 to ensure timely delivery.

Please check if you would like to include 50 copies of the Spanish version of the Emergency Preparedness Guide.

Agency:	
County:	
Contact Name:	
Address:	
Email Address:	



PEMA GRANTS UPDATE

The Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency, Bureau of Grants Management, is providing this timeline as a reminder for when performance reports are due for the below listed grants

Grant	Performance Report Due Dates
Hazardous Materials Response Fund (HMRF)	Due no later than 30 days after the end of the performance period
Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)	1st Quarter (October 1 to December 31) - January 15
	2nd Quarter (January 1 to March 31) - April 15
	3rd Quarter (April 1 to June 30) - July 15
	4th Quarter (July 1 to September 30) - October 15
Radiation Emergency Response Grant (RERF)	Due No later than 30 days after the end of the performance period

Important things to remember

Due dates for applications cannot be extended.

All grant applications must be submitted using the Electronic Single Application (ESA)

There currently are no open applications in the ESA

Questions regarding grants, contact:
ra-dgmhmgrants@pa.gov

ESA login:
<https://www.esa.dced.state.pa.us>

Guidance

For further guidance and instructions for each grant, please visit:

<https://www.pema.pa.gov/about/Pages/Grants.aspx>

Reminders

Deadline and due dates may vary from year to year; please refer to PEMA guidance for each individual grant.

EMPG reimbursement requests due quarterly on the 15th of the month after the quarter ends.

A Native Pennsylvanian Selected to Lead the FEMA Region III Hurricane Program



FEMA Region III has a new Hurricane Program Manager and Hurricane Liaison Team (HLT) representative, and he's a proud native of the commonwealth. Mike Bilder grew up in Wellsboro (Tioga Co.). He graduated from Dickinson College in Carlisle (Cumberland Co.) and spent the first few years of his career in the Harrisburg area. Bilder joins FEMA after serving over 7 years in the National Weather Service (NWS) as an emergency manager and policy analyst at NWS HQ. During that time, he spent 6 years as a watch officer for the NWS Operations Center, working nearly every significant weather event impacting American soil during that time, including several hurricanes, tropical storms, typhoons and floods.

As the Hurricane Program Manager for FEMA Region III, which is headquartered in Philadelphia, Bilder is responsible for assisting state and local emergency managers in Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, West Virginia and the District of Columbia with preparing for and responding to hurricanes and associated threats (such as inland flooding). He works very closely with the NWS, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and other federal agencies in fulfilling this mission. In the preparedness realm, Bilder and his counterparts at USACE provide technical assistance to coastal states in the development of Hurricane Evacuation Studies, which are updated every 5-10 years. These studies are critical in that they outline the boundaries of evacuation zones. They also set the transportation clearance times that must be met to evacuate all residents in impacted zones prior to the onset of hazardous conditions. Bilder also executes a hurricane training program for state and local emergency managers.

During hurricane responses, Bilder serves as the lead representative for Region III on the HLT, which is activated when there is a serious tropical cyclone threat to U.S. soil. Upon activation, he will deploy down to the NWS National Hurricane Center in Miami to enhance the line of communication between the NWS and emergency managers and other public officials faced with important decisions, such as evacuations and resource placement.



Bridge Street, New Cumberland. during Tropical Storm Lee, © ABC27 News

He has three important messages for Pennsylvania's emergency managers:

1. As Pennsylvanians know all too well, inland flooding is a very serious threat as the remnants of tropical systems traverse our region. Hurricane Agnes and Tropical Storm Lee are just two tragic reminders in Pennsylvania history that tropical cyclones are not just a coastal threat. If you operate in southeastern Pennsylvania, you also need to be concerned about storm surge and/or destructive winds, especially if the Delaware Bay ends up in the right-front quadrant of a landfalling hurricane. We need to keep reminding Pennsylvanians of the inland flooding threat and importance of personal preparedness and flood insurance (even people who live outside traditional flood zones).

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FEMA Update



Individual Assistance Declaration Factors

FEMA conducted webinars on the revision of the Individual Assistance (IA) declarations factors, and accompanying “Individual Assistance Declarations Factors Guidance,” published in the Federal Register on March 21, 2019, with a June 1, 2019 effective date.

- This final rule and accompanying guidance clarifies independent factors used by states and territories when requesting an IA major disaster declaration and describes FEMA’s evaluation process when recommending major disaster declarations authorizing IA to the president, ultimately speeding the declaration process.
- The “Individual Assistance Declarations Factors Guidance” describes each of the declarations factors included in the final rule, and provides states and territories detailed direction in drafting requests for major disaster declarations authorizing IA.
- A separate provision of SRIA, section 1110, amends the Stafford Act and allows federally recognized Indian tribal governments to submit emergency or major disaster declaration requests to the President. This final rule and guidance does not implement SRIA provision 1110’s authority except when a tribe requests to be part of the IA declaration request made by the state, and is intended only to meet the requirements of SRIA section 1109.

For more information on Individual Disaster Assistance, please visit the website: <https://www.fema.gov/individual-disaster-assistance>.

FEMA Podcast Episode 36: Resiliency: A Conversation with Dr. Dan Kaniewski

On this episode, Acting Deputy Administrator Dan Kaniewski discusses FEMA's new strategic and structural focus on resiliency and how it makes America safer, stronger, and better prepared for future disasters.

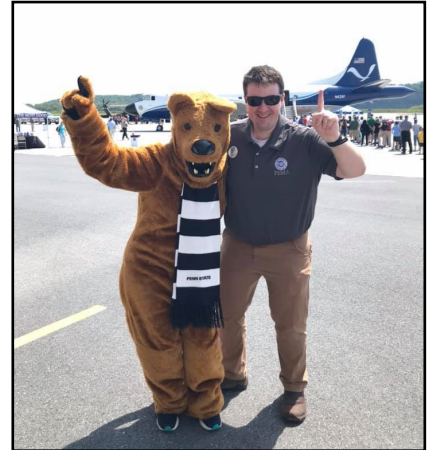
The FEMA Podcast (<https://www.fema.gov/podcast>) is an audio program series available to anyone interested in learning more about the Agency, hearing about innovation in the field of emergency management, and listening to stories about communities and individuals recovering after disasters.



FEMA Region III Hurricane Program *(continued from page 7)*

2. Get to know your local NWS office(s); and if you already know them, get to know them better. Incorporate them in your exercises/trainings, have frequent conversations with the forecasters, and utilize them whenever you can. America is blessed with the best weather service in the world, and their mission is to provide you expertise to help save lives and property. Also develop relationships with local broadcast meteorologists, whose ability to effectively reach those in danger often exceeds that of the government.
3. In addition to NWS, never hesitate to reach out to PEMA and FEMA if you need technical assistance related to hurricane planning and response. That's what we're here for.

Bilder and his wife, Lynn, are very happy to return to Pennsylvania. He lived in Washington, DC and northern Virginia for 10 years while working for NWS and getting his master's degree in emergency management. During that time, he was also an active volunteer search and rescue responder. For three years he served as the Operations Officer and then Unit Leader of the Shenandoah Mountain Rescue Group (part of the interstate Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference), as well as an active representative on the Virginia Search and Rescue Council. In 2018, he obtained the Certified Emergency Manager (CEM) certification from the International Association of Emergency Managers. He is in the process of obtaining a Certificate in Weather Forecasting from Penn State University



Mike Bilder and the Nittany Lion at a Hurricane Preparedness Event

ARE YOU READYPA? - LIGHTNING

According to the National Weather Service, lightning is one of the top three storm-related killers in the United States. In Pennsylvania, there have been eight deaths from lightning since 2007, all occurring outdoors. For more information, go to www.Ready.PA.gov.

How can you Be Ready?

Before



- Pay attention to the forecast, especially if you have outdoor plans
- Postpone activities, if storms are in the forecast

During



- "When Thunder Roars, Go Indoors!"
- "When You See a Flash, Dash to Safety" (Phrase for deaf and hard of hearing)
- Avoid anything with a wire, such as phones, computers, and lights.
- Wait at least 30 minutes, after the last rumble of thunder, to go outdoors .
- Stay away from water, wet items, such as ropes, and metal objects, such as fences and poles. Water and metal do not attract lightning but they are excellent conductors of electricity.

PENNSYLVANIA DISASTER IN HISTORY

Orwigsburg/Schuylkill Haven, PA Gas Truck Explosion, June 1959

PROBERS TO SEEK CAUSE OF TANKER BLAST FATAL TO 11.

Pottsville, Pa. (UPI) -- Five marshals sought today the cause of a gas truck explosion that killed 11 persons and injured 10 others. One victim remained unidentified.

The blast Tuesday turned the liquid propane-filled steel tank of the truck into a flaming projectile that hurled spectators and firemen hundreds of feet. It was set off when the truck caught fire after a highway collision.

The victims in some cases were decapitated and torn by the flaming flight of the tank, ripped jet-like from its chassis by the blast in 7,000 gallons of liquid propane gas. The tank, spitting bits of metal like shrapnel, landed 150 yards away.

The explosion occurred 30 minutes after the Sun Gas Propane Co. truck halted behind a school bus picking up a passenger and was rammed in the rear by another truck on rain-slick Route 122, near Orwigsburg.

About 85 school children in buses ahead and behind the two stricken vehicles escaped injury when their alert drivers sped from the scene, one cutting across a field. Two bodies were hurled against the windshield of State Trooper Earl Klinger's automobile parked 300 feet from the explosion site. Klinger said he saved himself by "ducking under the dashboard."

Representatives of the Interstate Commerce Commission joined fire marshals in a study of the accident as police continued efforts to identify the 11th victim of the disaster. He was described as a heavy-set man in a red and black checkered shirt. Five of the 10 injured were reported in serious condition.

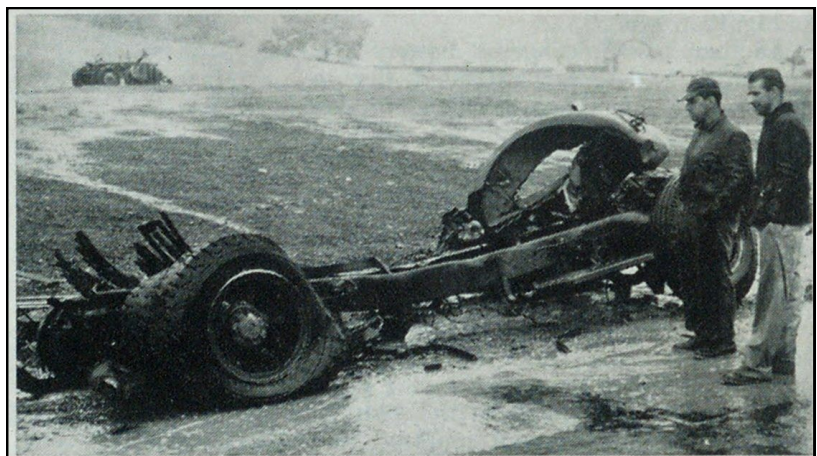
The injured included Joseph Wharton, 48, Peckville, driver of the propane truck, and Walter Williams, 54, Reading, operator of the tractor-trailer which rammed it.

The identified dead were:
 Fireman Earl Hillibush, 77.
 Fireman Clifford Kriner, 40.
 C. Ray Erb.
 Leon Kimmel, 50.
 William Strerner, 19, all of Orwigsburg.
 Paul Myer, 31, Pottsville.
 Arthur Myers, 47, Pottsville.
 Wayne Wolfe, 18, Pottsville.
 James S. Leitzel, 53, Shenandoah.
 Robert Wesner, 31, Molino.

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Debris caused by explosion. Photo © Stanley Gring



Tanker truck chassis. Photo © Stanley Gring

PENNSYLVANIA DISASTER IN HISTORY *(Continued from previous page)*

Sgt. Michael Wisniewski and trooper John Ripka, marshals from the state police barracks at Reading, conducted the investigation. Representatives of the Interstate Commerce Commission also made a study of the accident. They were John Barry, Philadelphia, and Kenneth Davis and James Jeffrey, of Scranton.

At least two of the dead were firemen from the Friendship Hose Co. at Orwigsburg. They were among fire fighters attempting to keep the flames from spreading to a nearby home when the tank exploded in a "tornado-like ball of fire."

- *Lebanon Daily News Pennsylvania 1959-06-03*



Debris strewn on Route 122 (Now Route 61)
Photo © Pottsville Fire Department

CERT NEWS



The Somerset County Community Emergency Response Team, otherwise known as C.E.R.T., basic training was held at the Somerset County Technology Center (SCTC) on April 23rd through the 25th. The course is administered by the Somerset County Department of Emergency Services. The SCTC Somerset & Bedford Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) program consisting of 37 adult LPN students were educated by three local instructors about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area. The training consists of basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members are also encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community. A guest speaker from the American Red Cross Disaster Response Team was brought in to speak about local volunteer opportunities. Since 2013 we have now successfully trained over 200 Licensed Practical Nursing Students in the C.E.R.T. program. Everybody from the Somerset County Technology Center, to our volunteer C.E.R.T. instructors and the civic organizations that supported us we have again prevailed to continue to offer this beneficial program so that area communities are better prepared for emergencies before first responders arrive." Said Joel Landis, Director. More photos of the class can be found online at <http://www.co.somerset.pa.us/>.



April 2019 CERT Class, Somerset County Technology Center

For further information on the Somerset County CERT program, contact Joel D. Landis, Director, Somerset County Department Of Emergency Services at landisj@co.somerset.pa.us.

UPCOMING TRAINING

Course Title	Session	Session Location	Registration Deadline
L965 NIMS ICS All-Hazards Resources Unit Leader (RESL)	6/10/19	Building 14-134 FTIG	6/5/2019
ICS300 Intermediate Incident Command System (ICS) for Expanding Incidents	6/11/19	Montgomery County Public Safety Training Campus	6/10/2019
G191 ICS/EOC Interface Workshop	6/12/19	PEMA Headquarters	6/12/2019
G272 Warning Coordination	6/12/19	Luzerne County EMA	6/12/2019
G191 ICS/EOC Interface Workshop	6/17/19	Chester County PSTS	6/16/2019
L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program	6/19/19	Northampton Co EOC	6/13/2019
G290 Basic Public Information Officers Course	6/20/19	Lehigh County JOC	6/20/2019
L984 NIMS ICS All-Hazards Task Force/Strike Team Leader	6/25/19	Eastern PA EMS	6/17/2019
G364 Multi-Hazard Emergency Planning for Schools	6/25/19	Allegheny IU	6/25/2019
G289 Public Information Officer Awareness Training	6/29/19	Cumberland County DPS	6/28/2019
G386 Mass Fatalities Incident Response Course	6/29/19	Luzerne County EMAY	6/28/2019
G191 ICS/EOC Interface Workshop	6/29/19	Bradford County EOC	6/15/2019
ICS400 Advanced ICS for Command and General Staff - Complex Incidents	6/3/19	PEMA Headquarters	
ICS400 Advanced ICS for Command and General Staff - Complex Incidents	6/8/19	Berks County FTC	6/7/2019
L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program	7/10/19	PEMA Headquarters	8/16/2019
P236 CEM Planner Train the Trainer	7/10/19	Riverview IU 6	7/9/2019
G290 Basic Public Information Officers Course	7/10/19	Allegheny IU	7/3/2019
ICS300 Intermediate Incident Command System (ICS) for Expanding Incidents	7/16/19	Allegheny IU	7/3/2019
G205 Recovery from Disaster: The Local Community Role	7/16/19	Dauphin County DPS	7/12/2019
G191 ICS/EOC Interface Workshop	7/20/19	Berks County FTC	7/12/2019
ICS400 Advanced ICS for Command and General Staff - Complex Incidents	7/22/19	Montgomery Co EOC	7/19/2019
MGT412 Sport and Special Event Evacuation Training and Exercise	7/23/19	Heinz Field	
G235 Emergency Planning	7/23/19	PEMA Headquarters	5/22/2019
MGT318 Public Information in an All-Hazards Incident	7/23/19	Allegheny Co ES	6/21/2019
G191 ICS/EOC Interface Workshop	7/25/19	Allegheny IU	7/18/2019
ICS300 Intermediate Incident Command System (ICS) for Expanding Incidents	7/29/19	PEMA Headquarters	7/29/2019
G557 Rapid Needs Assessment	7/30/19	Lebanon Co DES	7/29/2019
G271 Hazardous Weather and Flooding Preparedness	7/30/19	Allegheny Co ES	7/31/2019
P236 CEM Planner - School Specific	7/9/19	Riverview IU 6	7/8/2019

To register, visit Train PA: <https://pa.train.org>





Need Ideas For Getting The Word Out?

Each month, the PEMA External Affairs Office distributes numerous preparedness resources designed to help make communicating to your communities about preparedness easy. We encourage everyone to share this valuable information with their partner agencies, schools, faith-based organizations, family and friends.

These tools are emailed each month and are also available on at www.ready.pa.gov.



ReadyPA Monthly - Community preparedness information designed for citizens. Forward to libraries, schools, local municipalities, etc.



Fact Sheets - One-page preparedness material about a specific hazard. Please make this easily printed information available to your community members, elected officials, civic organizations, and anyone who could benefit from this valuable information.

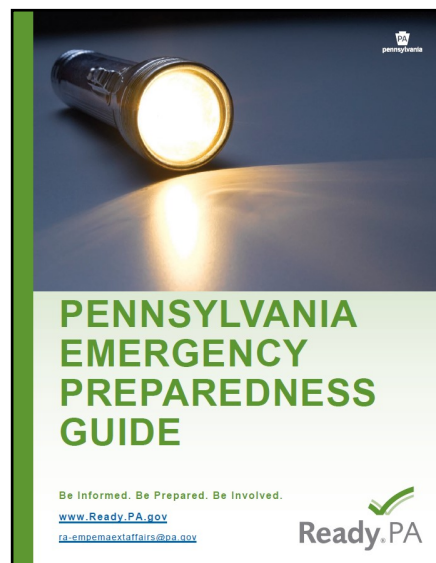


Talking Points and Social Media Toolkit - Graphics, tweet suggestions, and talking points for you to use on social media, websites, and when speaking to groups.

FEATURED EMERGENCY MANAGER TOOL

The ReadyPA Pennsylvania Emergency Preparedness Guide is a joint publication effort through the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA), the Pennsylvania Department of Health, and the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services. This guide provides valuable information to help citizens prepare for all-hazards. The guide is available from PEMA through the ReadyPA Outreach Material Order Form which can be found at www.Ready.PA.gov. The form is located at the bottom of the main page.

The Emergency Preparedness Guide is available in print in English, Spanish, and Large Print English. The following languages are available for download: English, English - Large Print, Spanish, German, Russian, Chinese (simplified) and Chinese (traditional). There is also an audio version, in English, which can be downloaded. The downloads can be found at: <https://www.ready.pa.gov/BeInformed/EmergencyPreparednessGuide/Pages/default.aspx>.



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