CASE STUDY OF COLLABORATION: MEMORIAL DAY SEVERE WEATHER
Ohio Department of Public Safety

Meet Our Divisions

Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles
Emergency Management Agency
Ohio Emergency Medical Services
Office of Criminal Justice Services
Ohio Homeland Security
Ohio State Highway Patrol
WHAT IS OHIO EMA?

Ohio Revised Code 5502.22
An agency...coordinate all activities...for emergency management within the state.
OHIO WEATHER
Average: 19
One Day: 21
This year: 59
Ohio experienced severe weather on May 27-29, 2019, including an outbreak of 21 tornadoes and flooding. Impacts from the storm occurred statewide, with the most severe effects in west-central Ohio, surrounding the greater Dayton area.

In response, the State EOC partially activated at 8:45 a.m. on May 28. State EOC activated from May 28- June 11, 2019. Severe weather including 21 tornadoes and flooding. These storms destroyed and damaged structures, closed roads and resulted in extended utility outages. The State Emergency Operations Center executed 42 missions including search and rescue, emergency provision of commodities and power, provision of social services and debris removal. The State EOC coordinated technical assistance for the restoration of public water systems, damage assessments, fire suppression, sheltering operations, commodity distribution, and debris removal. The Joint Information Center provided information to the public via traditional and social media throughout the activation. A state emergency declaration was issued on May 28. A federal disaster declaration was issued on June 18. The State EOC remained partially activated until June 11 and state debris removal missions did not conclude until September 5.
Celina, Mercer County
Miami County
Trotwood, Montgomery County
Beavercreek, Greene County
6500 disaster survivors

$4.6M FEMA grants
$29M in 691 SBA Loans
DEBRIS MISSION

- 9 Days
- $500K
- 3,643 Tons
COLLABORATION!
Ohio Homeland Security staff provides presentations to new emergency management personnel.

Recently, staff members from Ohio Homeland Security (OHS) made presentations at the Introduction to Emergency Management course, providing new emergency managers and staff information on OHS’ role in a safer Ohio.

The presentations included:
- How local EMA directors can assist Ohio in reporting critical infrastructure and special events on the Communication and Information Management System;
- What role the OHS Infrastructure Protection Unit plays in school safety; and
- Viewing the new Shooter Shooter – Lessons Learned From Ohio School Shootings video.

Photo credits: Ohio Homeland Security staff members, Mary Tyle and Andrew Nuckols, present at the Introduction to Emergency Management course.
TRAINING

Calendar Year 2019
100 Trainings

Calendar Year 2018
125 Trainings
The Ohio EMA Training and Exercise Section coordinates and conducts the Ohio Emergency Management and Homeland Security Training and Exercise programs. Our audience includes state and local emergency management professionals, first responders, volunteer organizations, private organizations and other partners that are focused on keeping Ohio safe from all hazards, natural or man-made. We also coordinate with other federal and state training providers and are the State Administrative Agency (SAA) point of contact.

Training
From this page, you can find information on current courses being offered through Ohio EMA. If you have a profile please access the Public Safety Training Campus in the left panel and login to view and register for courses. If you do not have a profile, you must create a new profile to access the course listing and to register for course offerings that interest you.

All trainings are offered free of charge to eligible students. Class sizes are usually limited and students are encouraged to enroll early to ensure a seat in the class. Note that not all courses are usually filled on a first come, first served basis, on occasion other criteria are used to select students for courses. Students will receive a confirmation no later than two weeks prior to the start of the class.

- For information on training please review the TRAINING POLICY AND CATALOG
- For a list of available trainings please review the CURRENT TRAINING CALENDAR

Exercises
The exercise program implemented and managed by the Ohio EMA provides first responders, emergency managers, public health and service providers, volunteers, elected officials, private industry and others with the skills necessary to protect life and property through readiness exercises in response to simulated, natural and/or man-made disaster scenarios.

The goal of the exercise program is to improve the overall readiness and capabilities of emergency response by validating training, emergency plans, and procedures to identify strengths and areas for improvement; demonstrate operational capabilities, and to prepare personnel to respond to real-world incidents, regardless of the threat or hazard. This is accomplished through the implementation of the building block approach for exercises and exercise activities, including seminars, workshops, tabletop exercises, drills, functional exercises, and full-scale exercises.

Ohio EMA’s Training Partners
(FREE) ONLINE TRAINING

IS 100 – Intro to Incident Command System

IS 700 – Intro to National Incident Management System
The National Incident Management System (NIMS) guides all levels of government, non-governmental organizations (NGO), and the private sector to work together to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from incidents. (ORC 5502.28)

NIMS applies to all incidents, from traffic accidents to major disasters.
EXERCISES
resilience:
“an ability to recover from or adjust easily to misfortune or change.”

—Merriam-Webster Dictionary
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