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April
17 & 18

Ohio

Emergency Management

Spring Conference



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Crown Plaza Columbus - Dublin

600 Metro Place North, Dublin Ohio 43017

Note on Availability of Program Offices:

Ohio EMA staff from the Mitigation, Recovery, Training, Exercise, Radiological, Planning, Grants, and Watch Office sections will be outside of the main conference room the entire day of April 18th to provide assistance and answer questions about their programs.

Conference Registration:

To register for the conference please visit Ohio Department of Public Safety Training Campus (PSTC) <https://trainingcampus.dps.ohio.gov/cm/cm710/pstc/pstc.html> search for “OH-200”. **Due to turnover and interim directors, county EMA directors should register for the conference on their own.** Registration questions can be directed to Susan Traylor at 614.799.3666 or sctraylor@dps.ohio.gov.

If you do not have an account, call the PSTC Help Desk at 614.752.6487.

County EMA Director Lodging:

If you would like lodging, please contact the hotel to reserve your room under the Ohio EMA block. Ohio EMA will provide free lodging the night of April 17 for the county director or assigned designee. Everyone will need to provide a credit card to the hotel for incidentals and “no-shows”. You are responsible for cancelling your room if you or your designee cannot attend the conference, including any cancellation fees. The cutoff date to make a room reservation is **March 23, 2018**. If you miss this deadline you may not be able to secure a room at the hotel and Ohio EMA will not be able to cover the cost of your room.

Only county directors or designees living or working more than 45 miles from the conference venue are eligible for one free night of lodging.

To make county EMA director or designee lodging reservations click here: [**SPRING CONFERENCE LODGING**](#)

- 1) Complete Check In Date: April 17**
- 2) Complete Check Out Date: April 18**
- 3) Group ID should read: 99801505**
- 4) Group Code should read: EMA**
- 5) Click “BOOK” and then choose a room type**

County directors may also call the hotel directly at 1.866.309.0989. Please ask for the group rate with the Ohio Emergency Management Agency (\$85).

PLEASE NOTE: Once you have completed your reservation, email David Nunley dbnunley@dps.ohio.gov the below information:

- County director or designee name
- County EMA being represented
- Confirmation number

If you do not send the above information to David Nunley, we will not have record of your room and will not be able to pay for your lodging.

APRIL 17, 2018 – Day 1

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Registration	Ohio EMA Training Section Staff
1:00 – 1:15 PM	Welcome	Russ Decker, Deputy Director Ohio EMA
	Presentation of Colors	Ohio National Guard
	Pledge of Allegiance	Russ Decker, Deputy Director Ohio EMA
1:15 – 1:30 PM	Opening Comments	John Born, Director Ohio Department of Public Safety
1:30 – 2:00 PM	FEMA Update	James K. Joseph, Administrator FEMA Region V
2:00 – 2:15 PM	2-1-1 & Disaster Response	Kristin McCloud, Executive Director Pathways of Central Ohio
2:15 – 2:30 PM	Break	
2:30 – 3:00 PM	Drone Integration into NWS Storm Damage Surveys	National Weather Service
3:00 – 4:15PM	Emergency Management & Communications with the Amish Community – Round Table	Mark Rafeld, Director of Ashland County EMA; Gary Mellor, Director of Holmes County EMA; Wayne Wengerd, Ohio Amish Community
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Ohio EMA coordinates activities to mitigate, prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters.

APRIL 18, 2018 – Day 2

<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Speaker</u>
7:00 – 8:00 AM	Registration	Ohio EMA Training Section Staff
8:00 – 8:30 AM	State of the American Red Cross	John Bernard, Division Disaster State Relations Director, Crossroad Division American Red Cross
8:30 – 9:15 AM	Ohio Dam Safety Program & Dam Emergency Action Plans	Mia Kannik, P.E., Dam Safety Program Manager and Melissa Menerey, CFM, Dam Safety EAP Specialist Ohio Department of Natural Resources
9:15 – 9:30 AM	Break	
9:30 – 10:30 AM	EMAC – Hurricane Response	Ohio EMA – Panel Discussion
10:30 – 10:45 AM	Break	
10:45 – 12:00 PM	Kirkersville, Ohio Shooting: Response & Lessons Learned	Sean Grady, Director of Licking County Emergency Management Agency – Panel Discussion
12:00 – 1:15 PM	Lunch (on your own)	
1:15 – 2:00 PM	Overview of the American Red Cross & Mass Casualty Preparedness	Dennis Morgan, Government Operations Chief with the American Red Cross and Susie Davidson, Certified Disaster Program Manager with the American Red Cross
2:00 – 2:15 PM	Break	
2:15 – 3:45 PM	2017 Las Vegas Shooting	Caleb Cage, Chief of EMA and Homeland Security Advisor to the Governor of Nevada
3:45 – 4:15 PM	Closing Remarks / Open Q & A	Sima Merick, Executive Director Ohio EMA

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PRESENTATION DESCRIPTIONS:

DAY 1

FEMA UPDATE

Recently, FEMA Administrator Brock Long laid out three focus areas for FEMA's strategic planning. First, **BUILD A CULTURE OF PREPAREDNESS** throughout the Nation. Second, **READY THE NATION FOR CATASTROPHIC DISASTERS** by strengthening partnerships. Third, **REDUCE THE COMPLEXITY OF FEMA**. In his FEMA update, James Joseph, FEMA Region V Administrator will discuss how these focus areas will impact FEMA's Regional support to states and citizens.

2-1-1 & DISASTER RESPONSE

The Ohio Alliance of Information and Referral Services (AIRS) will provide an overview of 2-1-1 in Ohio and how 2-1-1 can assist in local disaster response and recovery.

DRONE INTEGRATION AND DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

The National Weather Service is responsible for conducting storm damage surveys for severe thunderstorms that produce tornadoes. Historically, these surveys have been completed on the ground to assess storm damage, where the storm survey team is tasked to re-create the life of the tornado and document key attributes such as tornado beginning, ending, length, width and maximum rating on the Enhanced Fujita Scale. This presentation will describe the storm damage survey process, and also explore how data from unmanned aerial vehicles can be integrated into a storm damage survey.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE AMISH COMMUNITY

Amish populations now exist in 44 of Ohio's 88 counties. This panel will explore the challenges and successes of communicating emergency preparedness between local emergency managers and the Amish community. Both Holmes and Ashland counties have developed extraordinary success in this area and will share suggestions and lessons learned on how to develop these critical relationships.

DAY 2

STATE OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

The American Red Cross presentation will provide an overview on:

- Services provided during Steady State as well as Operational State evolutions.
- 2017 in brief review.
- Home Fire Campaign effort and need for partners.
- Points of contact for specific counties and programs.
- The importance of the relationship between the FD and EM with the Red Cross and why.

DAY 2 continued

OHIO DAM SAFETY PROGRAM & DAM EMERGENCY ACTION PLANS

All dams regulated by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Division of Water Resources, Dam Safety Program are required to have a state approved Emergency Action Plan (EAP). Developing an EAP is the responsibility of the dam owner, however many partners play a key role in the event of a dam emergency including the County Emergency Management Agency, ODNR Dam Safety Program, and the National Weather Service. This presentation gives a brief background on dam safety in Ohio and highlights key components for developing an EAP following guidelines from the Interagency Committee on Dam Safety (ICODS).

EMAC – HURRICANE RESPONSE

The Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) panel will cover the topic from a national perspective (including use of EMAC during the 2016 Republic National Convention and 2017 Hurricane Season) while also drilling down to provide Ohio specific information. Legal matters associated with EMAC as well as the collaboration between Ohio EMA and the National Emergency Management Association (NEMA) will be discussed. Ohio EMA staff will discuss the internal processes followed when EMAC requests are received as well as developing Mission Ready Packages (MRPs) for the EMAC operating system. Ohio and County EMA representatives will discuss EMAC from the standpoint of being deployed and recommendations for submitting reimbursement packets.

KIRKERSVILLE, OHIO SHOOTING: RESPONSE AND LESSONS LEARNED

On May 12, 2017 law enforcement officers responded to a gunmen who had tragically taken the lives of the local police chief and two others at a nursing home. This panel discussion consisting of; the County EMA Director, local fire, county sheriff and representatives from the Licking County 9-1-1 center will discuss the response and the lessons that came from it.

OVERVIEW OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS & MASS CASUALTY PREPAREDNESS

A brief overview of the Red Cross mass casualty response to administrative sites (EOCs, JFSOCs), client Delivery sites (FAC, site visits and memorials), and responder service delivery sites (respite centers, morgue and other body recovery sites). And further, how we prepare Red Cross staff to work in these environments.

2017 LAS VEGAS SHOOTING

Mr. Cage will provide an overview of the 2017 Las Vegas mass shooting event, and discuss preparedness, response, and recovery efforts. He will discuss lessons learned from the event, as well as recommendations to improve policy, budgetary, and operational practices in the future. Following his comments, he will engage in a question and answer period with the audience.

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