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COAD

April 2022

What We Do



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- CCOEM works closely with public safety forces, government agencies, non-governmental organizations, businesses, and the public to enhance **preparedness, planning, and effective response** to natural hazards, man-made catastrophes, and emergencies.
- **WHEN A DISASTER OR EMERGENCY OCCURS,**
MOST OF WHAT WE DO, WE'VE ALREADY DONE.

Emergency Management Partners



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59
Communities



76 Police
Agencies



26 Public Safety
Answering Points (PSAPs)



52 Fire Response
Agencies



19 Hospitals



14 Utilities



34 Specialty Teams



> 35 NGO's



31 School Districts



8 Colleges / Universities

What We Do: Training

- Provide oversight on **Regional NIMS/ICS Training**
- Guidance on training plans/activities
- Coordinating agency for **countywide training**
 - Federal / DHS approved courses and seminars
 - All-Hazards/regional collaborative classes
 - Specialized classes tailored to specific disciplines
- Develop and maintain **the Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP)** formerly multi-year training & exercise plan (mytep)



What We Do: Exercise



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- Plan and conduct **All-Hazards Exercises** that include all disciplines
- Coordinate exercise scheduling through **IPP**
- Assist with grant process for exercise funding
- All exercises follow **Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation Program (HSEEP)** guidance
- Evaluate Cuyahoga County's ability to respond to catastrophic disasters



What We Do: Outreach

- Participate in various **activities/events** with communities in Cuyahoga County
- Provide year round emergency preparedness **education** to various groups within each municipality
- Promote **Whole Community approach** to incorporate business and non-profit sector focusing on:
 - Disaster Preparedness / Emergency Readiness
 - Local involvement and community resiliency
- Outreach Programs include:
 - Special events (National Preparedness Week, Shake-Out, etc.)
 - Speakers Bureau
 - Printed material
 - Publications



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What We Do: Planning

- Focuses on writing and disseminating plans related to emergency preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation.
- Develop plans for the Cuyahoga County Office of Emergency Management and Cuyahoga County governmental departments and divisions.
- Work closely with **municipal governments** to provide support and guidance for the development of local plans.
- We currently have ??? Plans/Annexes



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What We Do: Operations



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- **Emergency Operations Center (EOC)**
 - Planning – EOP (EOC SOG(s), ICS Forms/IAPs, etc.)
 - Equipment – Knowledge Center, Audio/Visual, Phones, Workstations, Radios
 - Supplies – Forms, Plans
 - Staffing – Training/Exercises



- **Damage Assessments**
- **UAS (Drone) Team**
- **Logistics**
- **LEPC Support**
- **Office Administrative Support**



COAD IS.....



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- A network of groups
- That work together
- To help survivors
- Involved **before/during/after** disasters
- Website is
<http://ready.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/COAD.aspx>
- Part of the National VOAD and Ohio VOAD

VOAD and COAD

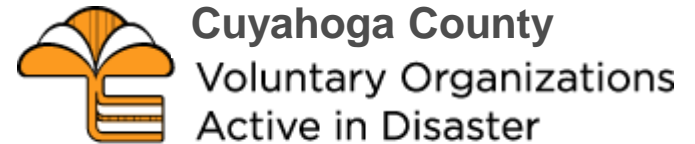


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- Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – National and State
- Community Organizations Active in Disaster – Local – County’s Volunteer Initiative Program

COAD



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- Based on National VOAD and Ohio VOAD
- Association of independent organizations
- Members retain individual identities
- Work together to provide resources
- Coordinating entity – Not a funding entity

COAD Mission



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- COAD will convene community entities . . .
- to identify and increase capabilities . . .
- encourage training . . .
- share information, and . . .
- integrate resources into an efficient and effective disaster preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation system.

Values



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- **Cooperation** – Helping each other
- **Communication** – Sharing information
- **Coordination** – Synchronizing activities
- **Collaboration** – Building new systems

COAD Objectives



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- Ongoing Identification and recruitment of appropriate organizations to become COAD members
- Educate members on services provided by each agency during non-disaster times as well as during times of emergency
- Educate and drill members on the role of COAD during times of emergency

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- Ensure efficient resource utilization without duplication of services to clients when a disaster occurs
- Promote all hazard citizen preparedness for member organizations (training)
- Encourage COAD members to promote all hazard citizen preparedness to the people they serve.
- Develop a system of emergency communication amongst COAD members (mass notification)
- Share Training and Exercises and other resources to benefit COAD members

COAD During Incident Responses & Recovery



During – Response

- Emergency Assistance

After – Recovery

- Short/Long-Term Recovery Group



Benefits

- Access to subject matter experts
- Situational awareness
- Training opportunities
- Efficient routing of clients
- Efficient use of resources
- Strong link in the chain
- Possible funding



Bylaws and Officers

- Bylaws – To be updated
- Officers –
 - President (CCOEM)
 - Vice-President (Cleveland Rep/Woodmere Rep)
 - Secretary – (CCOEM)
 - Membership Officer – (CCOEM)
 - Training Officer (CCOEM)



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COAD Committees

Warming & Cooling Work Group (doc produced)

Animal Sub Committee (draft guide/training)

Recovery Task Force/Committee(TBD)

Long Term Recovery Task Force/Committee (TBD)

COAD Resource Flyer



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Cuyahoga County Community Organizations Active in Disasters (COAD)
Recovery Resources and Services
for Residents impacted by the July 5, 2019 Flood Event



The Salvation Army can provide assistance with various **senior and social services, clothing, and food**. For additional information, please contact the Salvation Army's West Park location by calling 216-252-3593.



The Hunger Network of Greater Cleveland maintains a **food pantry** in Parma. It is located at 5280 Broadview Rd. and open Tuesdays from 2pm-4pm and Fridays from 11am-12pm. Residents affected by flooding who do not live in Parma can call 211 for assistance identifying the closest food pantry to their location.

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints is able to provide assistance with **food, water, toiletries, mattresses/bedding, and baby items/diapers**. To request the assistance from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints **please contact city hall at XXX-XXX-XXXX**.



The Furniture for Families Program provides basic furniture needs (**couches, living room chairs, dining room/kitchen sets, dressers and mattresses**). There is a \$100 fee to receive these items. To request assistance from the Cleveland Furniture Bank, **please contact city hall at XXX-XXX-XXXX**.



For all other needs, residents can call 2-1-1 to speak with a specialist to be made aware of all the options currently available for their stated recovery need.

Example: Warming & Cooling Guide Doc...



Warming and Cooling Centers Operations Guide

Definition of Centers

A Warming or Cooling Center is a temporary facility that is made available during extreme temperature conditions when normal coping mechanisms in the home are ineffective or unavailable.

During power outages Centers can be opened to provide public information, charging stations for electronic devices, and power for medical equipment.

Centers are not overnight shelters or homeless shelters. They are open for a limited number of hours for a limited number of days and provide limited services. Centers are not day care for children, the elderly, or others who cannot care for themselves. It is assumed that individuals who use the Centers can return to their homes when the Centers are closed.

Before opening a Center, operators should consult with their legal counsel and insurers to determine if all legal requirements are met, and liability issues are covered.

- <http://ready.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/COAD-Resources.aspx>



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COADs Value to CERTS

The COAD committee now exists to assist the County with the coordination of volunteer agencies and CERT Teams during events and emergency incidents.

Benefits CERTS: Communication, Sharing of training and exercises, Networking, Planning etc..

CERT-New SERVE OH Platform



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- Ohio Responds is transitioning to Serve Ohio: Get Connected
 - <https://serve.ohio.gov/Volunteering/Get-Connected>
- Ohio Responds rollout webinar recording as well as multiple PDF's and YouTube videos are on <https://www.ema.ohio.gov/CERT.aspx>
- All questions from Team Members should be routed through your Team Leader. Team Leaders can contact the Serve Ohio Sarah Short-Volunteer Engagement Program Officer for ServeOhio at Sarah.Short@serveohio.gov
- Liability date ends June 2022

CERT- Announcements



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The Q2 Ohio CERT Webinar took place on **Monday, 11 April 2022 at 6:00pm on MS Teams.**

This quarter, topics covered included the following items:

- CERT Training:
 - CERT Basic
 - CERT Train-the-Trainer
 - CERT Program Manager
- Brief update on ServeOhio / OAC Rules for EM Volunteers
- Programmatic updates on:
 - Hybrid CERT
 - CERT Typing
 - National CERT Association activities / updates
 - Webinar Resources
- Ohio CERT Survey ~ Early Analysis Preview
- Q&A Session / Best Practices discussion with the State CERT Coordinator

Reminder: the Q3 Ohio CERT Webinar will take place on Monday 11 July 2022 at 10:00am

The link to the active survey is:

<https://forms.office.com/g/ejExLtd32N>

Village of Woodmere CERT
Moreland Hills Village CERT
Brecksville & Broadview Heights CERT

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Questions and Comments

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