

COG Updates for the February 11, 2022

REM Meeting

Emergency Preparedness Department:

- Regional Emergency Preparedness Dues Program Invoice were sent to the EMC, City Manager, and the Mayor on September 30, 2021. If you did not receive it, please contact Donna Insixiengmay (doinsixiengmay@nctcog.org).
- We have hired a new manager and their start date is February 7th.

HS Team:

▪ REPAC / EPPC

- The next REPAC Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 22, 2022, via Microsoft teams.
- The next EPPC Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 3, 2022, via Microsoft teams.

▪ SHSP

- FY22 Grant applications will be scored by REPAC on January 28th and will go before the EPPC Budget and Funding Subcommittee on February 17th
- All FY21 projects have started.

▪ UASI

- Don't forget to complete the NCSR assessment and upload proof of completion into all your FY21 projects in eGrants. You will be unable to get reimbursed until this is complete and the deadline to complete the assessment is February 28, 2022.
- Plan on same amounts as last year for initial planning purposes and begin developing and writing your FY22 UASI Grant Projects.
- A grant timeline and additional details will be sent out soon.
- For now, plan on having the same 5 national priority areas and percentage funding requirements. We won't receive confirmation on this until FEMA releases the new grant guidance.

Working Groups:

▪ Interoperability

- The next Interop Working Group meeting is March 9th at 1:00 PM via Microsoft Teams.
- The County Interoperability Survey and the COG Focus survey are due to the state by February 18th. The County Survey has been sent to the EMC's.
- The SERI grant for large equipment purchases is open through March 18th. The COG is working with the State and other cogs to determine how to allow jurisdictions to receive the money, instead of the COG.
- If you are interested in receiving communications-related information, you can request to be added to the Public Safety Communications listserv, (publicsafetycomms@ep.nctcog.org).
- If you have any questions, please contact Candice Forsyth at cforsyth@nctocg.org.

▪ **Training and Exercise**

- The next T/E meeting will be held on February 2nd at 1:00 PM via Microsoft Teams.
- We are working with the State to conduct a Mass Casualty Attack Response Workshop. This will be an all-day event, held in person on March 30th at the Ruthe Jackson Center in Grand Prairie, TX.
- If you have any questions, please contact Candice Forsyth at cforsyth@nctocg.org.

▪ **Emergency Management**

- The next EMWG meeting will be held on February 14 at 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.
- We will be beginning discussions on the FY21 projects for CI/KR Data Call and more Recovery templates.
- If you have any questions, please contact Candice Forsyth at cforsyth@nctocg.org.

▪ **Cyber Security**

- The next Cyber Security meeting will be held on March 17, 2022 at 1:00 PM via Microsoft Teams.
- The Cyber Security group is kicking off their NIST Assessment contract for 12 jurisdictions.
- If you have any questions, please contact Candice Forsyth at cforsyth@nctocg.org.

▪ **Regional Citizen Corps Council**

- The next Regional Citizen Corps Council meeting will be held on April 13th at 9:30 AM via Microsoft Teams.
- We will be hosting a CERT/MRC exercise on March 26th at Bob Bolen.
- If you have any questions, please contact Candice Forsyth at cforsyth@nctocg.org.

▪ **Public Education**

- The next Pub Ed meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2022, at 10:30 AM. This meeting will be a virtual Teams meeting. The following meeting will be in March TBD.
- Domestic Violent Extremism project kickoff.
- New elected chair Cyndi Smith (Erath County); Co-Chair Alexis Snyder (Richardson); Secretary My Vuong (Lewisville).
- New storage location provided by ITDRC in Fort Worth has mini first aid kits and guidebooks, contact is Chris Hillis.
- Educational materials of rack cards, brochures, and coloring books are available in Denton. Contact is Brenda Gormley.
- Guidebooks are available Dallas County. Contact is Melvin Cirilo.
- Questions, please contact Donna Insixiengmay at doinsixiengmay@nctcog.org
- Social Media
 - Remember to follow us and use our social media accounts
 - ✓ Twitter – KnoWhat2Do - @KnoWhat2Do
 - ✓ Facebook – KnoWhat2Do

▪ **Public Works Emergency Response Team**

- To become a member jurisdiction and to receive PWERT updates via the listserv, please contact Stephanie Ray at sray@nctcog.org and complete a PWERT Mutual Aid Agreement.

Mitigation:

- *Hazard Mitigation Action Plans (HazMAPs):*
 - Ellis, Navarro, Johnson, Somervell, and Wise counties are conducting risk assessments for their mitigation plans.
- *FEMA Mitigation Grants:*
 - NCTCOG is applying to update the Tarrant County and Parker County Hazard Mitigation Plans that will include a CWPP and to create a Hazard Mitigation Plan for UTA.

CASA WX:

- CASA WX Membership dues have gone out. Website access will be turned off for anyone who has not paid by Feb 1, 2022.
- CASA is currently pursuing several funding opportunities that could assist with replacement of the radars as they age, and problems become more frequent.
- If you are interested in having a webex CASA training for your jurisdiction or have any questions please contact Amanda Everly at amanda.everly@fortworthtexas.gov or Tonya Hunter at tonya.hunter@midlothian.tx.us.