



North Central Texas Council of Governments

REM Meeting – August 2, 2024 Emergency Preparedness Updates

Emergency Preparedness Department

- FY25 Dues Letters are being sent out. Amounts have not increased but several jurisdictions have moved into the next tier due to population increases.
- ERGs are being staged at Hensley Field and are ready to be distributed. If you have not already received an email with details about where and when to pick up your ERGs, contact Taylor Conti (tconti@nctcog.org) and she can get you the information.
- Regional Training & Exercise Dashboard - <https://www.nctcog.org/ep/resources/training-and-exercises>
- Regional Emergency Management Portal - Contact Amanda Everly at AEverly@nctcog.org for the login information.
- Follow our social media:
 - Twitter- <https://mobile.twitter.com/nctcogep>
 - Facebook- <https://www.facebook.com/NCTCOGEP>
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Grants

REPAC / EPPC

- The next REPAC meeting will take place on August 7, 2024, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM in the Transportation Council Room at NCTCOG.
 - Nominations for EGRT, CCP, and Public Education working groups will be voted on as well as the next Vice Chair of REPAC.
 - 2025 SHSP potential carve out projects will be discussed
- The next EPPC meeting will take place on September 12, 2024, 9:30 AM – 11:30 AM in the Transportation Council Room at NCTCOG.
- If you have any questions, please contact Justin Cox at jcox@nctcog.org.

SHSP

- Working groups should start thinking about project ideas for 2025 SHSP. The grant timeline will be presented at the Aug 7 REPAC meeting and sent out to the region.
- Working group dashboards for grant tracking have been distributed to working groups and REPAC chairs.
- If you have any questions, please contact Justin Cox at jcox@nctcog.org .

UASI

- UASI Grant Applications has been submitted FEMA.
 - Total UASI Funding to D/FW/A = \$14,941,233
 - Law Enforcement % = 37.5% = \$5,599,532.92
- Reallocations are coming up. All funds must be de-obligated by 9/15/2024. I will have to submit the reallocation plan to the OOG by 10/1/2024.

- If you know you will not be spending all your project funds, then please get them de-obligated before the deadline so someone else might be able to use them.
- If you are having vendor issues or anything else creating delays, please contact me so we can discuss possible options.
- Please don't de-obligate funds in National Priority Area projects without contacting me first. We might be able to brainstorm ways to finish spending your funds. De-obligating funds in these areas can put us in a bind since we are required to meet certain spending percentages in these areas.
- The Special Events Data Call will be opening soon. Be on the lookout for an email from Amanda once we receive more information. Amanda will be sending out the forms that will need to be completed for your submissions.

Working Groups

Community Preparedness Program

- The next CPP meeting is on August 21st, 2024, at the NCTCOG.
- The Citizen Corps Program is continuing with the restructured among the group in the next meeting and will be known as the **Community Preparedness Program (CPP) Working Group**.
- All Jurisdictions are encouraged to register their programs for future information.
- Any questions or requests for assistance regarding Regional Community Preparedness Program Working Group can be directed to Michael Hernandez Jr. at Mhernandez@nctcog.org.

Cyber Security

- The next Cyber Security meeting is TBD.
- A regional meeting to address the Rural County Cyber Security needs is in the early planning stages.
- Cyber Chairs have been approved for this year; we welcome David Armato from Irving as a Co-Chair. Cody Powell - Wise County, and Jose Mendez - Flower Mound will continue as co-chairs for continuity.
- If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Everly at aeverly@nctcog.org.

Emergency Management

- The next EMWG meeting is TBD.
- Travis Houston, City of Dallas has been elected as a new chair. Congrats Travis!
- Be on the lookout for a survey on 2025 SHSP project ideas for the working group.
- Thank you, Samantha Taylor, Denton County, for your leadership these past couple of years.
- If you have any questions, please contact the chairs: Shawna Lemley at Shawna.Lemley@arlingtontx.gov, Randall Gurney at rgurney@prospertx.gov, and Travis Houston at travis.houston@dallas.gov, or Justin Cox at jcox@nctcog.org.

Interoperability

- The next meeting date is TBD.
- The GY2023 RICP update with the final 6 counties is in draft form, we are working on edits now. The Contractor has begun working on the gap analysis.
- GY2022 SERI: Irving/Grand Prairie received \$1 Million on the SERI grant and is wrapping up now.
- GY2024 SERI: The Parker County SERI Grant was approved at \$1.75million. We expect to receive the money around October 2024.
- If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Everly at aeveryly@nctcog.org .

Public Education

- The next Pub Ed meeting will be held in September 2024, at 10:00 AM via Microsoft Teams.
- The working group had a booth at the TDEM Conference.
- We thank you Shayne Phillips for all your contributions as the Working Groups' Secretary. We will be collecting nominations to select a new secretary in the August 2024 Meeting.
- Active Shooter Video Project Meetings have begun with the selected planning committee.
- There will be a 2025 SHSP Project Idea Survey sent to the Working Group.
- If you have any questions regarding Public Education, please contact the chairs Brad Kavanaugh at bkavanaugh@garlandtx.gov, Donna Insixiengmay at donna.insixiengmay@waxahachiepd.org , or Michael Hernandez Jr. at Mhernandez@nctcog.org.
- Social media - Remember to follow us and use our social media accounts:
 - Twitter – KnowWhat2Do - @KnowWhat2Do
 - Facebook – KnowWhat2Do

Public Works Emergency Response Team

- The next PWERT Meeting is July 30 at 930am at NCTCOG in the Regional Forum Conference Room.
- If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Everly at aeveryly@nctcog.org .

Training and Exercise

- The next T/E meeting is TBD.
- We thank Matt Miller for all his contributions as the Working Group's chair. We are currently collecting nominations to select the next chair at the next T&E Meeting.
- The Cyber/EOC/Fusion Workshop will be on August 15th, 2024, at the Ruthe Jackson Center. Please be sure to register for the event using the registration link! [NCTCOG Cybersecurity Workshop Tickets, Thu, Aug 15, 2024 at 8:30 AM | Eventbrite](#)
- The Cyber/EOC/Fusion TTX Planning Meetings are still in progress. The Delivery Dates for the virtual (3) TTX will be the week of October 7th- October 11th, 2024. If you or your organization are interested in participating, please be sure to fill out the interest form! <https://forms.office.com/r/H4nU2PWn09>

- The Metro X Exercise was approved to receive support by the National Exercise Program (NEP). The planning committee's meeting dates have been finalized.
- There will be a 2025 SHSP Project Idea Survey sent to the Working Group.
- There are multiple classes that are currently open for registration. Please see our training calendar for registration information - <https://www.nctcog.org/ep/resources/training-and-exercises>.
- If you have any questions, please contact the chairs Addison Holmes at addison.holmes@cityofcarrollton.com, Scott Tarzwell at starzwell@mail.smu.edu or Michael Hernandez Jr. at mhernandez@nctcog.org.

PSURT/UAS

- The next UAS meeting is August 8, 2024, at 1pm.
- If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Everly at aeverly@nctcog.org.

CASA WX

- The next CASA meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2024, at 9:30 AM at NCTCOG in the Regional Forum Conference Room and Teams.
- We have been told that our request for Congressional funding has been "Moved forward" by Kay Granger to the Appropriations Committee. The amount approved at this point is \$4.5 million. We are waiting for more information and next steps. This would be Federal Funding in FY 2025.
- If you are interested in having a Webex CASA training for your jurisdiction or have any questions please contact Amanda Everly at AEverly@nctcog.org, Chase Wheeler at CWheeler@GPTX.org, or William Wessel at WTWessel@tarrantcounty.com.