

**City of Takoma Park
Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting
February 25th, 2015 7:00-8:30pm Hydrangea Room**

	Item	Who	Time	Hr	JK Notes
1.	Welcome	Jenny	10 min	7:10	Council presentation f/u
2.	Guest Presentation: Washington Adventist Hospital	Kamelah	30 min	7:40	
3.	City Brief	Ron	10 min	7:50	
4.	County Brief	Jenny	5 min	7:55	
5.	How to Help Save Your Neighbor's Life	Fred	10 min	8:05	
6.	2016 Look Ahead	Claudine	20 min	8:25	
7.	Review of Council Emergency Support Doc	Ron	5 min	8:30	

Next Meeting:

- Thursday, March 24, 2016

Links to training

- Virginia Department of Emergency Management - <http://www.vaemergency.com/em/training>
- Maryland Emergency Management Agency - <http://www.mema.state.md.us/calendar/index.asp>
- Federal Emergency Management Agency - <http://training.fema.gov/is/crslist.asp?page=all>
- International Federation of the Red Cross - <https://ifrc.csod.com/client/ifrc/default.aspx>
- Disasterready.org - <http://www.disasterready.org>

Event Calendar

- Celebrate Takoma - Sunday May15
- National Night Out - Tuesday August 2
- Takoma Folk Festival - Sunday September 11
- Takoma Street Festival - Sunday October 2

Attendance:

- Present: Ron Hardy, Jenny Kurtinitis, Andy Kelemen, Claudine Schweber, Tom Horne, Kamelah Jefferson, Rebecca Chestnut, Kathe Quinn,
- Guests: Fred levinson
- Absent: Herma Percy

Welcome

- Initiate call in ability. Ron has a call line
- Upcoming term expirations - Claudine, Kathe

Adventist Presentation

- Safety & Emergency Management Coordinator
- Covers life safety, joint commission on hospitals and emergency management
- NEDOCS pilot - way to track surge capacity and how full the hospital is and whether they can take additional patients or need to hold. Can use those numbers to help estimate Emergency Department wait times
- Emergency Operations Plan updated annually (typically March & April). Required as part of hospital accreditation. Accreditation is a 3 year cycle and up for renewal this year
- MOCEP - county-wide emergency planning for hospitals, Region V (MIMs - within MD) Emergency Preparedness Coalition, COG Group ESF8

City Brief

- Table top Exercise moving forward with PD Supervisors & County PD. Active shooter scenario & how officers will work together on a joint response
- Council of Governments focus - Complex Coordinated Attacks (CCA) and a regional response plan. Looking at how agencies keep aware of surrounding jurisdictions through situational awareness throughout region.
- Street festival table sign up. Will double up with PD
- Committee of Ritchie Ave presentation. Metro safety, general awareness. Encouraged council to promote Emergency Preparedness Committee presentations to their wards via community groups

County Brief

- Snowstorm 2016: Currently working on the After-Action Report, detailing the issues that were encountered and suggestions for improvement.
- The workshop titled "Building Resilient Houses of Worship," which includes training for faith leaders and other interested community members on how to prepare for emergency situations, has been rescheduled for Feb 25. In partnership with the Montgomery County Police Department, the event will help faith leaders build resilience for their houses of worship and will provide information on how to respond to an active assailant. Please email me if interested in attending.

- Working on updating our Access and Functional Needs Workbook to be more inclusive of the entire county. The workbook, which is in fill-in-the-blank format, provides the recipient with questions and items to think about in emergency planning. It's been one of our most popular handouts, and hopefully by updating it, we will expand its audience and usefulness to Montgomery County residents.

2016 Look Ahead

- Kathe - lead to reach out to TP Radio.
- Think about what kind of info we might want to promote in the Voice
- Tom to forward info on Teen Citizen Emergency Response Team
- Ron referenced a County school preparedness project. Planners from the Council of Governments is putting on several regional workshops for public and private schools.
- Way to promote speakers to the committee in the city newsletter? Could set something up few months out