

Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) City of Takoma Park

1st Meeting of 2020: Thursday, 30 January

7-8.30, Azealia Room

AGENDA

Issue/ item	Person	Est. Time
Welcome –2020 --EPC member status --Police Academy 2020	Claudine Schweber, Ron Hardy	10
City, County events --forthcoming training --projects --outreach	Ron Hardy	30
Follow up on December items, for 2020: --identify contacts per EPC member; communication with TPK contacts, community --work with varied nationalities, languages --Preparedness Alerts re items such as latest scams, burglaries, weather preparedness, etc. --news columnists (sample of past topics to be distributed)	ALL	30
<u>New items/ issues for 2020: current threats and hazards for Takoma Park and their impact on the community.</u>	ALL	20

Next Meeting 27 February 2020

Emergency preparedness links:

Financial Preparedness----- <https://www.ready.gov/financial-preparedness> + column March 2019

MADRA: Mid-Atlantic Disaster Recovery Association <http://www.madra.org/> : quarterly; Next meeting 20 February.

MD Emergency Management Agency - <http://www.mema.state.md.us/calendar/index.asp>

Emergency Preparedness <https://www.ready.gov/>

Federal Emergency Management Agency- <http://training.fema.gov/is/crslist.asp?page=all>

EPC Meeting, 30 January 2020 NOTES

Participants: Ron Hardy, Andy Kelemen, Buddy Daniels, Mary Muchui, Thomas Horne, Claudine Schweber(notes)

Announcements:

- EPC membership: We need members from wards 4, 5,6 (note: Satchel Kornfeld has resigned)
- Police Academy: Spring term-- 13 weeks, Tuesdays 7-9.30 (early January -1st week April). Involves presentations, experiences such as firearms practice and use of tasers, field trips to Jail, Coroner's office. Max 25 participants. Free
<https://takomaparkmd.gov/government/police/community-policing/community-police-academy/>

Issues/ discussion:

- Training (Ron Hardy)—April: Stop the Bleed, Community Active Assailant Awareness Sessions in non-English speaking communities?: Will need translators
- Discussion of current threats and hazards for the Takoma Park Community:
 - weather disasters: ice storms which can freeze power lines etc; hurricanes; severe thunderstorms; derechos, power outages and consequences for people using electric-powered lifesaving health equipment
 - Cybersecurity
 - Note: additional items added via email: Earthquake, Subsidence, Extreme Heat and Extreme Cold; Hail; Terrorism; Civil Disturbance; Transportation Accident; Infrastructure Failure; Disease Outbreak; Radiological Incident; Dam Break/Flooding; Hazardous Materials Release; gas and chemical leaks
 - ? Re health crisis such as coronavirus
- Avoiding Carbon monoxide poisoning: Only use generators and grills outdoors and away from windows. Never heat your home with a gas stovetop or oven. Have good working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors/alarms in your home.

Thanks, Next meeting 27 February 2020, 7-8.30 pm