

# City of Takoma Park

## Emergency Operations Plan

2018

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- What is an **EOP**
  - Multi-discipline, **all-hazards plan** that establishes a single, comprehensive framework for the management of major emergencies and disasters
  - Mobilizes the resources of City departments to save lives, and protect property and infrastructure
  - Defines the roles of the City's departments
  - Sets the framework for partner agencies and private contractors to work with the City and get back to normal

# Emergency Operations Plan

- How does it work
  - Assigns major roles and responsibilities to departments and agencies based on the incident and needs
  - Uses the Incident Command System (ICS)
  - Establishes the basis for more detailed planning by the individual departments and partner agencies
  - Is contingent upon a collaborative approach with a wide range of partner organizations that provide crucial support

# Why do we have a Plan

- This plan fulfills the State of Maryland's requirement for each political jurisdiction to prepare and keep current plans to respond to disasters or large-scale emergencies.
- It also incorporates the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the City standard for emergency response operations.
- Provides a framework for implementing the City's Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs)

# Responsibilities

- First responders and Public Works often take lead
- Montgomery County has major responsibilities for Fire/Rescue and public health
- The EOP clearly identifies when outside agencies have a role so that those responsibilities are identified in *their* EOPs
- Most responsibilities in the EOP are staff responsibilities, with back-up staff identified

# Mayor and Council

- Mayor acts as a lead with other elected officials
- Establishes policy when needed and provides guidance to the City Manager
- Communicates with the public and provides policy guidance on the overall response to an emergency or disaster.
- Hosts community meetings to ensure needs are being addressed and information is provided to residents.
- Promulgates the codes, regulations, and ordinances of the City, and provides the funds required to implement and enforce an effective mitigation program.
- Enacts emergency ordinances as appropriate.

# Emergency Service Functions in Takoma Park and County

- ESF#1 Transportation
- ESF #2 Communications
- ESF #3 Public Works
- ESF#5 Emergency Management
- ESF #13 Police
- ESF #14 Long-Term Recovery
- ESF #15 Public Affairs (Public Information)
- ESF#17\*- Damage Assessment
- ESF#4 Firefighting
- ESF #6 Mass Care
- ESF #7 Logistics Management
- ESF#8 Public Health
- ESF #9 Search and Rescue
- ESF #10 Hazardous Materials
- ESF #11 Agriculture
- ESF#12 Energy
- ESF#16\* Volunteer-Donations

# What has changed

- ESF#16 and #17 have been added
- Department names and references updated
- Council-appointed committees have a role (was recommendation of EPC)
- Notification paths to the public have been updated
- Adds basic training recommendations for job functions
- No changes to basic responsibilities or processes