

The Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management (OHSEM) Newsletter

Significant Dates

- May 31st: Memorial Day
- June 1st: Monsoon Preparedness Workshop
- June 2nd: COOP Kickoff Meeting
- June 15th: Monsoon Season officially begins

COVID-19 Links

Maricopa County Public Health COVID-19 Dashboard and Vaccine Information Site

AZDHS COVID-19 Data Dashboard

CDC COVID-19 Website

Emergency Management Links

OHSEM Website

Maricopa County WebEOC

COOP Plans (BOLDplanning)

Phoenix NOAA/NWS Website

Arizona Emergency Information Network (AZEIN)

Summer Safety Campaign

Natural hazards are always around us, but it's during the summer months they most forcefully make their presence known. Whether it's the record breaking temperatures that greet us when we step outdoors or the sudden monsoon down pours that catch us without an umbrella, valley residents know summer is when the city needs to be the most prepared.

The good news is the city departments are no strangers to the hazards Phoenix communities face during the summer. The Local Planning Team, composed of city department representative, have recently updated and submitted the revised **Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan** to the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA) for their feedback. The plan examines the natural hazards Phoenix is most suceptible to and explores which populations are vulnerable to those hazards. Most importantly, the plan takes this information and provides a tailored list of actions and projects city departments are working to implement for the mitigation of those hazards. Contact the OHSEM office if you would like to see the **final draft** of the plan.

In addition to mitigation planning, city departments also provide vital preparedenss information to the public through a number of **summer safety campaigns**. These campaigns highlight some of the most common summer hazards and share best practices to stay safe during potentially dangerous conditions. The links below will take you to the hazard specific campaigns that the City of Phoenix is promoting.

In the coming months, the OHSEM newsletter will take an in depth look at three local hazards and examine their impacts to the community and the different preparedness approaches the city can take to keep residents safe.









Regional/National Resources

Maricopa County
Department of
Emergency
Management (MCDEM)
As the largest city in the
county, we work closely
with MCDEM to ensure all
our emergency
management efforts are
aligned. Click their title to
find out more about
MCDEM and their
services.

Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA)

DEMA consists of the Arizona National Guard, the Division of Emergency Management and the Division of Administrative Services. Click their title to find out more about their capabilities and the resources they can provide.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

FEMA provides emergency management guidance and support at the national level. Their website contains an abundance of information on nearly everything you may want to know about emergency management.

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Continuity of Operations (COOP) Planning Updates

As the city transitions into Phase II of the Return to the Workplace (RTW) plan, OHSEM is taking this opportunity to work with City Departments to update and complete all departmental COOP plans. The goal for 2021 is to have all departmental finalized and approved by department heads.

COOP plans are vital to the city's preparedness posture, and as such, they are treated as living documents. This means they need to be regularly updated and reviewed to ensure all information in the plan is accurate and consistent with current departmental standards and practices.

To help city departments revise existing draft plans, OHSEM's COOP administrators will work closely with departmental COOP planners over the next six months to complete any unfinished sections and update all outdated portions. The 2021 COOP Timeline, outlined below, provides an overview of the different sections that will be highlighted and reviewed in upcoming newsletters and workshops.

2021 COOP Timeline



Month(s)	COOP Component
June	Essential Functions Contacts
July	Hazards Risk Assessment
August	General Information Teams Orders of Succession Delegations of Authority
September	Facilities Security and Access Vital Records
October	Communications Drive Away Kits Alert Notification Procedures
November	Testing Training Exercises
December	Citywide COOP plans are no longer in 'Draft' mode

If you are a new COOP planner or an experienced planner in need of a refresher, OHSEM has a series of short tutorials to bring planners up to speed. Follow the link below and expand "Plan Type: COOP" for a full list of videos:

https://cityofphoenix.sharepoint.com/sites/ohsem/emergency-plans

Over the coming months, OHSEM will provide all the necessary resources and assistance to help departments finalize their COOP plans. In the meantime, feel free to contact our office with any questions or concerns.