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Greene County, Missouri

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Greene County Commission Commission Briefing Minutes

Friday, August 6, 2021
1:00 PM
Commission Conference Room
1443 N. Robberson, 10th Floor

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Attendees: Bob Dixon, John Russell, Chris Coulter, Megan Applegate, Larry Woods,

Teleconference Attendees: Kris Inman, JR Webb, Andrea Stewart, Allen Icet, Robbin Sawyer, Rick Artman, Justin Hill, Jeff Bassham, Phil Corcoran.

Informational Items

(EX1) Office of Emergency Management-Larry Woods

- 283 infusions as of today in new infusion center.
- Highlighted "The Training Times"
- Highlighted "Muni Newsletter"
- Highlighted July Monthly Newsletter

E-911-Kris Inman

- Currently 9 open positions for call taker position.

Items for Consideration and Action by the Commission

Discussion and Possible Vote: COVID Response Budget Approval, OEM

Commissioner John Russell moved to approve the request to set funds aside for future COVID response related items as presented. Commissioner Dixon seconded the motion and it passed. Yes: Dixon and Russell. Absent: MacLachlan

Other:

With no other business the meeting was adjourned.

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July Monthly Report

Noteworthy Accomplishments:

- Upon request of several emergency managers throughout the region; activated the Region-D Multi-Agency Coordination Center-MACC (virtually)
- Successfully managed dramatically increased COVID response, staffed the OEF and staffed the regional MACC
- Staff attended national CERT Conference held in Springfield

Administrative:

- Facilitated staff budget preparatory retreat
- Met with state emergency management association board and the SEMA Director to discuss dramatic reduction in EMPG funding

Operations:

- Monitored Gold-Wing Road Riders Association National Convention
- Intensely monitored COVID spike, through to the increased operational posture of the EOC (OPCON-2)
- Facilitated numerous meetings concerning the ongoing COVID-Delta response
- Activated a centralized Monoclonal Antibody Infusion Center at Jordan Valley Clinic (Kansas/Grand)
- Received two ambulance strike teams via Emergency Management Assistance Compact request through SEMA
- Submitted multiple resource order packages to the State Emergency Management Agency
- Facilitated on-site public safety communications for the Ozark Empire Fair
- Activated the Situation Room one time for severe weather event
- Re-established weekly COVID update calls with local and state partners

Planning:

- Worked with COAD and other stakeholders to update Springfield-Greene County Recovery Plan. Updates and rewrites remain in progress
- Attended Targeted Cyberattack training through Texas A&M Extension
- Contacted offices for COOP updates and collected existing COOP plans for Springfield and County offices
- Met with Human Resources and Collector's Office to assist in developing their COOP plans
- Presented COOP readiness program to county office holders meeting
- Updated necessary documents in Springfield-Greene County EOP to ensure its readiness for upcoming state compliance review
- Facilitated development of Ozark Empire Fair Event Action Plan (EAP) for distribution to partners
- Began again to issue Situation Reports for current COVID-19 response (Mondays and Thursdays)

Public Affairs and Partner Relations:

- Held three Public Media Engagements at the Public Safety Center
- Coordinated Media Center Audio/Visual Plug for City of Springfield
- Coordinated DMACC PIO Duties
- OEM produced 32 Social Media Posts for various public education/notification purposes



July Monthly Report

Education, Training, & Exercises:

- Created the August Training Times Newsletter
- Facilitated CERT Advisory Board Meeting
- Attended CERT Monthly Meeting
- Submitted After Action Report (AAR) for Airport Exercise (Operation: Sling Blade) to SEMA

Logistics and Technology:

- Met with DMAT, DHSS, and FEMA to survey locations for alternate care site
- Met with DMAT and Jordan Valley to talk about resources needed for infusion center, coordinated with public works about retrofit of Jordan Valley Clinic location for infusion center
- Delivered resources of various types (tables, chairs, cots, wheelchairs, etc.) to the infusion center
- Coordinated with purchasing and Citadel Security to put into place a contract for 24/7 security at the infusion center
- Setup Skylab for the Ozark Empire Fair
- Coordinated with Health Department and Springfield Public Schools to have resources for a vaccination site at the Fair

Project #	21262	FEMA COVID-19
String #	Budget	Labor
6500	Emergency Contingency Fund	
6500.651	Emergency Contingency Fund	
6500.651.65071	County Response before Project Approval	<u>50,000.00</u>
Task 651 total:		50,000.00
Phase 6500 total:		50,000.00
6501	County Direct Costs - Infusion Center	
6501.651	County Direct Costs - Infusion Center	
6501.651.65072	Services	65,000.00
6501.651.65073	Materials	2,000.00
6501.651.65074	Rentals	2,000.00
6501.651.65077	Utilities	<u>2,000.00</u>
Task 651 total:		71,000.00
Phase 6501 total:		71,000.00
Project 21262 total:		121,000.00
GRAND TOTAL:		121,000.00

SPRINGFIELD-GREENE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MUNI NEWSLETTER

Monthly EMD Update



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WEATHER

Hazardous Weather Outlook

This afternoon and tonight:

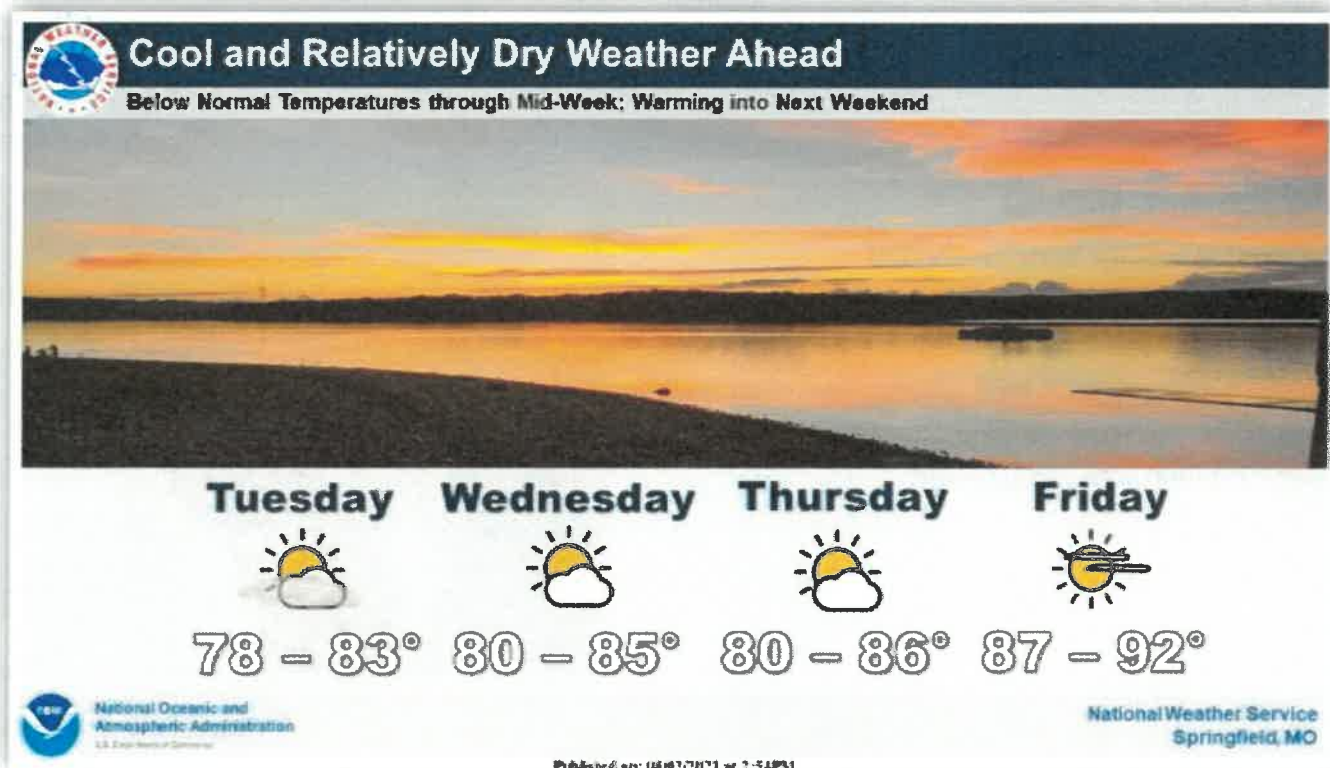
No hazardous weather is expected at this time

Days two through seven, Saturday through Thursday:

No hazardous weather is expected at this time. Below average temperatures are expected through mid-week. Isolated showers are possible Tuesday through Thursday, though most areas are expected to remain dry.

[National Weather Service Situation Report](#)

[Graphical Hazardous Weather Outlook](#)



PUBLIC INFORMATION

Back to School – Children & Youth Preparedness Social Media Toolkit

Ready Campaign

The Children and Youth Preparedness Toolkit has safety and preparedness messages you can share on your social media channels. You can either copy these messages directly or customize them to reach your audience. ... [READ MORE](#)

[Family Emergency Communication Plan \(PDF\)](#)

[CDC Backpack Emergency Card \(PDF\)](#)



Source: Ready.gov

Extreme Heat Safety

Ready Campaign

Extreme heat is a period of high heat and humidity with temperatures above 90 degrees for at least two to three days. In extreme heat your body works extra hard to maintain a normal temperature, which can lead to death. In fact, extreme heat is responsible for the highest number of annual deaths among all weather related hazards... [READ MORE](#)

[Extreme Heat Information Sheet \(PDF\)](#)

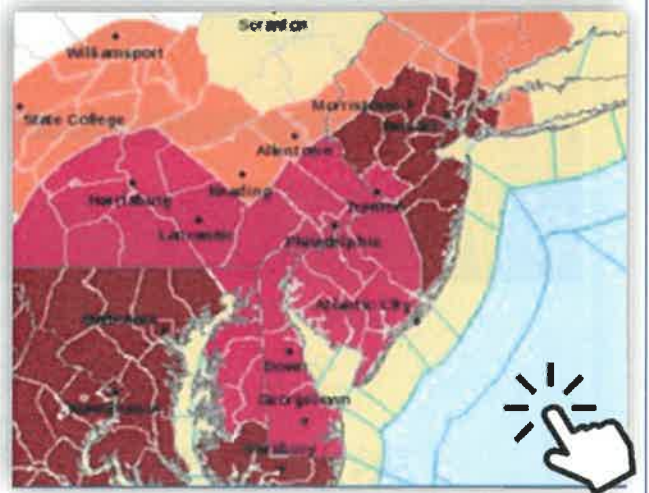


Source: Ready.gov

Heat Watch vs. Warning

National Weather Service—WRN

Each National Weather Service Forecast Office issues some or all of the following heat-related products as conditions warrant. NWS local offices often collaborate with local partners to determine when an alert should be issued for a local area... [READ MORE](#)



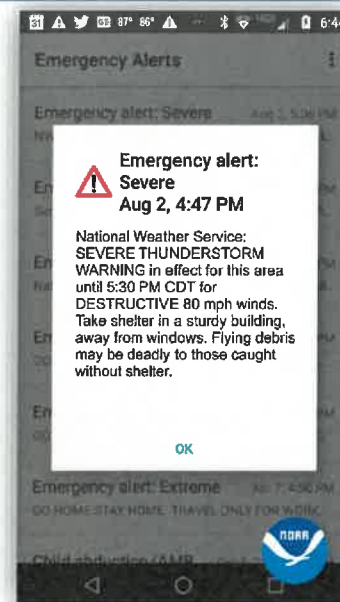
Source: weather.gov

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National Weather Service | Published: July 22, 2021

New “Destructive” Severe Thunderstorm Warning category to trigger Wireless Emergency Alerts on mobile phones

Starting August 2, 2021, the National Weather Service will better convey the severity and potential impacts from thunderstorm winds and hail by adding a “damage threat” tag to Severe Thunderstorm Warnings, similar to our Tornado and Flash Flood Warnings. We developed three categories of damage threat for Severe Thunderstorm Warnings. The categories, in order of highest to lowest damage threat, are destructive, considerable, and base. These tags and additional messaging are designed to promote immediate action...” [READ MORE](#)



Source: weather.gov

Our vision is to be the most disaster resilient community in America



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OEM's Training & Exercise Newsletter

August 2021



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Internal Affairs for Law Enforcement

Course Description

This course is designed for newly assigned internal affairs investigators and/or command level staff who want a better understanding of the disciplinary process and how internal affairs investigations should be conducted.

This course will work through the process of conducting objective internal affairs investigations from start to finish, as well as information on the latest legal issues surrounding disciplinary procedures and administrative investigations.

Sponsoring
Agencies



Delivery

Classroom

Location

MSHP Academy
1510 E. Elm Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101

Date(s)

December 13-17, 2021

Tuition

\$540 - tuition, meals, and lodging
\$340 - tuition and meals

Coordinator

Captain Joe L. Armistead
joe.armistead@mshp.dps.mo.gov

Enrollment Questions

Jeanette Ford
(573) 751-3626
jeanette.ford@mshp.dps.mo.gov

Prerequisites

(none)

Target Audience

Attendees should be newly assigned internal affairs investigators and/or command level staff.

Registration Info: <http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2021InternalAffairsForLawEnforcement.html>

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TRAINING COURSES

All URLs are active links. All agency logos are active links. Please report any broken or non-existent links.

Courses are color-coded according to their targeted discipline, but are not exclusive to those disciplines unless otherwise stated.

Fire/EMS

Law Enforcement

Emergency Management


All

This is not an all-inclusive list from the identified sponsoring agencies. Refer to their respective websites for a list of all training opportunities.

Class # / Title:	Crime Scene Investigation			
DATE(S) / TIMES:	August 9-13, 2021	22 hours of Technical Studies 6 hours of Skill Development	3 hours of Legal Studies	Sponsoring Agencies
LOCATION:	MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO)			
REGISTRATION INFO:	http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2021CrimeSceneInvestigation.html			




Class # / Title:	Drug Recognition Expert (DRE)		
DATE(S) / TIMES:	August 16-27, 2021	Continuing Education Hours: TBD	Sponsoring Agencies
LOCATION:	MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO)		
REGISTRATION INFO:	http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2021DRE.html		






Class # / Title:	Beyond the Ticket		
DATE(S) / TIMES:	August 20, 2021	8:00 am – 5:00 pm	<i>Sponsoring Agencies</i>
LOCATION:	Lawrence County Sheriff's Office (Mt. Vernon, MO)		
REGISTRATION INFO:	https://www.mssu.edu/academics/law-enforcement/ceu-training-dates.php		



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STATE UNIVERSITY



Class # / Title:		MERC034 – Handling Propane Gas Emergencies	
DATE(S) / TIMES:	August 21, 2021	1:00 pm – 9:00 pm	<i>Sponsoring Agencies</i>
LOCATION:	Dade County EOC (Greenfield, MO)		
REGISTRATION INFO:	https://sematraining.com/courses/92/offerings/8123		





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Class # / Title: G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System

DATE(S) / TIMES: August 24-25, 2021 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

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LOCATION: Cape Girardeau, MO

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8017>



Class # / Title: G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System

DATE(S) / TIMES: September 8-9, 2021 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sponsoring Agencies

LOCATION: Hampton Inn (St. Robert / Ft. Leonard Wood)

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8001>



Class # / Title: Occupant Kinematics in Crash Investigation

DATE(S) / TIMES: September 13-15, 2021 **CEUs:** To be determined

Sponsoring Agencies

LOCATION: MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO)

REGISTRATION INFO: <http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2020OccupantKinematics.html>



Class # / Title: AWR311-V – Small Vessel Security for Rural Communities

DATE(S) / TIMES: September 16-17, 2021 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

Sponsoring Agencies

LOCATION: Virtual Instructor-Led Course

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/1782/offerings/8130>



Class # / Title: MERC051 – MC 306 Rollover

DATE(S) / TIMES: September 18, 2021 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sponsoring Agencies

LOCATION: Buffalo City Fire Station (Buffalo, MO)

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/254/offerings/8066>



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Class # / Title: G271-V – Hazardous Weather & Flooding Preparedness (APS Elective Course)

DATE(S) / TIMES: September 21-24, 2021 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

4 open seats

Sponsoring Agencies

LOCATION: Virtual Instructor-Led Course

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/1704/offerings/8128>



SEMA

Class # / Title: G300 - ICS-300: Intermediate Incident Command System

DATE(S) / TIMES: September 24-26, 2021 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

4 open seats

Sponsoring Agencies

LOCATION: West Plains Civic Center (West Plains, MO)

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/29/offerings/8079>



SEMA

Class # / Title: G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System

DATE(S) / TIMES: September 29-30, 2021 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sponsoring Agencies

LOCATION: Mosaic Life Care Foundation Building - EmpowerU (St. Joseph, MO)

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8086>



SEMA

Class # / Title: G191-V – ICS/EOC Interface Workshop (APS Required Course)

DATE(S) / TIMES: October 19-20, 2021 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

Sponsoring Agencies

LOCATION: Virtual Instructor-Led Course

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/1703/offerings/8122>



SEMA

Class # / Title: PER213 – Wide Area Search

DATE(S) / TIMES: October 26-28, 2021 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

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LOCATION: Johnson County Ambulance District (Warrensburg, MO)

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/319/offerings/8050>



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Class # / Title: Survival Swimming

DATE(S) / TIMES: November 22-23, 2021 10:00 am – 5:00 pm **CEUs:** 14 hours Skill Development

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LOCATION: MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO)

REGISTRATION INFO: <http://www.msdp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2020SurvivalSwimming.html>



Class # / Title: G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System

DATE(S) / TIMES: December 4-5, 2021 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sponsoring Agencies

LOCATION: West Plains Fire Station #1 (West Plains, MO)

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8080>



Class # / Title: G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System

DATE(S) / TIMES: December 7-8, 2021 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

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LOCATION: Eureka Fire Protection District-Training Center (Pacific, MO)

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8053>



Class # / Title: Internal Affairs for Law Enforcement

DATE(S) / TIMES: December 13-17, 2021 **CEUs:** TBD

Featured Training

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LOCATION: MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO)

REGISTRATION INFO: www.msdp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2021InternalAffairsForLawEnforcement.html



Class # / Title: G191-V – ICS/EOC Interface Workshop (APS Required Course)

DATE(S) / TIMES: December 14-15, 2021 8:30 am – 12:30 pm

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LOCATION: Virtual Instructor-Led Course

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://sematraining.com/courses/1703/offerings/8121>



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WEBINARS

WEBINAR: ESRI'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS SOLUTION

DATE(S)/TIME(S): July – December 2021 On-Demand

SPEAKER(S): (not listed)



ABOUT THIS WEBINAR: *Maintain shared situational awareness*

If the last 12 months have shown us anything, it is that preparedness and community resiliency are central to quickly and effectively responding to disasters. Agencies require access to real-time data and a shared situational awareness across divisions and response groups, as well as the ability to maintain timely communication to the public.

Esri's emergency management operations solution empowers response teams with real-time field data collection applications and a cloud-based, shareable infrastructure that allows data to be quickly triaged and disseminated to decision-makers.

During this webinar, we will review Esri's emergency management operations solution and how your team can leverage the fully integrated system, allowing you, your team, and unlimited partner agencies to maintain shared situational awareness at all points during a response.

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://www.esri.com/en-us/lq/industry/public-safety/em-ops-webinar-ondemand>

WEBINAR: TIME-CRITICAL: Communicating Effectively During Disasters & Major Incidents

DATE(S)/TIME(S): On-Demand

SPEAKER(S): **MARK BRADY**
Chief Spokesperson and Public Relations Manager
Prince George's County (MD) Fire & EMS

JORDAN VILLWOCK
Emergency Operations Coordinator
Laguna Beach (CA) Police Department



ABOUT THIS WEBINAR: Social media and text-based alert systems have transformed emergency communications. Information that used to be communicated through public alert sirens and press briefings hours after incident conclusion must now be immediate and executed across an array of platforms.

Whether dealing with a widespread evacuation due to fire, an active-shooter situation or a political demonstration gone awry, public safety agencies need to know how to get information in the hands of the public and the media quickly and accurately—while simultaneously adapting to incoming information.

Join Lexipol for this free webinar to learn how you can enhance your agency's disaster and critical incident communication.

You'll learn:

- Key considerations when using public alert systems, such as Reverse 911 and Wireless Emergency Alerts
- How and when to deliver effective press briefings during evolving incidents
- Do's and don'ts for using social media to communicate w/ media and citizens during disasters/critical incidents

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://info.lexipol.com/webinar-disaster-communications>

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TRAINING SPOTLIGHT

2021 NATIONAL CERT CONFERENCE

The Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management serves many different functions for the community. One area it manages is the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program. This program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. CERT offers a consistent, nationwide approach to volunteer training and organization that professional responders can rely on during disaster situations, allowing them to focus on more complex tasks.

The 2021 National CERT Conference was held at the Oasis Hotel & Convention Center in Springfield during the week of July 12-17, 2021. Every FEMA region was represented at the conference, including CERT members from Alaska and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Governor Parson was the guest speaker on July 15th during the Opening Welcome Session. Springfield-Greene County CERT was well-represented at the conference with a total of 11 members and the CERT Director in attendance.



Missouri Governor, Mike Parson speaking at the 2021 National CERT Conference held in Springfield, MO.



Springfield-Greene County CERT Members who attended the National Conference.

CERT member, Rita Silic, was one of those who attended and submitted the following . . .

This was the first National CERT Conference I had been able to attend. It was a very informative time and training experience. The wide variety of classes offered made it extremely difficult to choose as all whetted my appetite to learn more. I was glad our team was large enough that we managed to make almost of them. Offerings were from the very basic CERT training to leadership roles that many CERT members find themselves put into by the virtue of being a CERT member. Classes

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included training on community partnerships, search and rescue, knowing who are the most vulnerable in times of disaster, how to maintain interest and membership when there is no disaster, animal rescue, human behavior during emergency times, how to incorporate the youth for preparedness and how to increase the interest of citizens to join the effort to protect themselves, their family, neighbor and larger scale.

Linda Halford, Springfield-Greene County CERT member had this to say, "Gene and I enjoyed the conference and the sessions we attended."

One class Linda and Gene attended was "Disasterville: Part 1". She describes it like this . . .

"It was a table top exercise. We got in 3 groups and decided how we would respond to this disaster. The speaker had 3 tables set up to show different materials that could be used. The first one was a commercially made town (like a carpet) with houses, businesses, vehicles, etc. The second was one with cardboard houses, etc. on a colored paper with roads, etc. drawn on it. The third (the one Gene and I were at) was very simple with sheet paper with lines drawn for the first floor and second floor of a building. We had to go into the building and evacuate victims, close off rooms with gas leaks and hazardous materials and communicate with the person in charge. The speaker first got people who were command leaders in their communities to be in charge of each table and go from there. He encouraged the group to use it at our CERT meetings as a refresher workshop and to use it as the final test after the CERT training if field exercises were not being used."



Table top exercise during the Disasterville: Part 1 class attended by Linda Halford and Gene Davison.

The next National CERT Conference is scheduled for June 2022 and will be in Galveston, Texas.

Submitted by:

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HEAT STRESS

Heat Stress Safety Talk

Heat stress can be a killer on the job site. According to a report published by the CDC, during 2004–2018, an average of 702 heat-related deaths (415 with heat as the underlying cause and 287 as a contributing cause) occurred in the United States annually. Outside of the direct consequences such as heat stroke, heat stress can cause incidents due to loss of focus or excessive fatigue on the job.



Heat-Related Illnesses

(Source: www.WebMD.com)

Heat Cramps: Are painful, brief muscle cramps. Muscles may spasm or jerk involuntarily. Heat cramps can occur during exercise or work in a hot environment or begin a few hours later.

Heat Exhaustion: There are two types of heat exhaustion. 1. Water depletion – Signs include excessive thirst, weakness, headache, and loss of consciousness. 2. Salt depletion – Signs include nausea and vomiting, muscle cramps, and dizziness.

Heat Stroke: Heat stroke is the most serious heat-related illness. Heat stroke can kill or cause damage to the brain and other internal organs. Heat stroke results from prolonged exposure to high temperatures — usually in combination with dehydration — which leads to failure of the body's temperature control system.

Medical Response

If anyone is displaying symptoms of a heat-related illness, it is important to get them the proper medical attention they need before the problem turns into heat stroke. For people displaying symptoms of heat exhaustion, have them stop work and get to a shaded area. The affected person needs to consume water or electrolyte replacing sports drinks. The person should not return to work the rest of the day.



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For anyone who is displaying symptoms of a heat stroke, immediate medical attention is needed. Delaying calling 911 could result in irreversible injuries or death. Symptoms of heat stroke include fainting, throbbing headache, dizziness, lack of sweating, vomiting, or behavioral changes such as confusion. The person should be cooled down immediately in a shaded area or indoors. DO NOT put ice-cold water on the victim as this can cause shock. Use cool water to lower the body temperature of the victim. Remove any unnecessary clothing and fan the victim until medics arrive.

Safe Work Practices to Prevent Heat-Related Illnesses

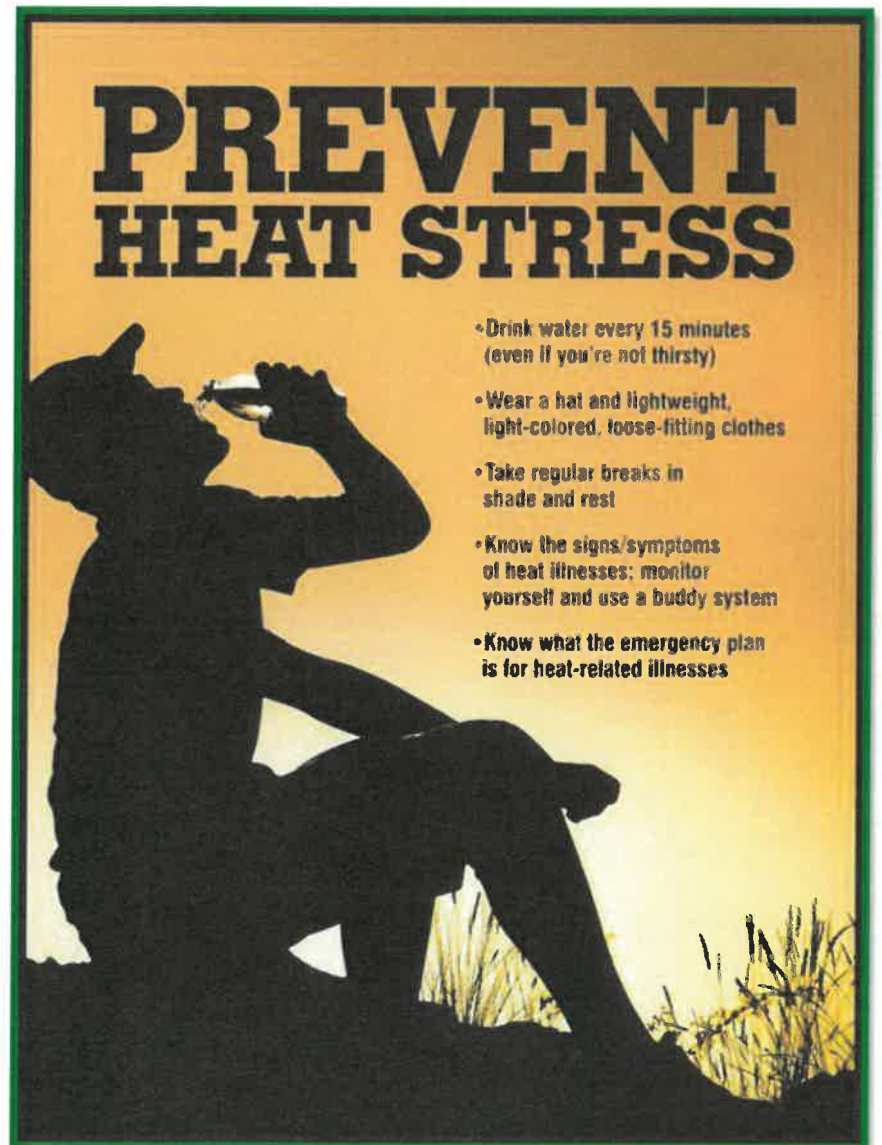
Allow for acclimatization to a hot environment before any strenuous work begins. It takes roughly two weeks for an individual to acclimate to a hot environment.

Drink plenty of water during strenuous activities especially in hot environments. An average person sweats between roughly 27 oz. to 47 oz. per hour during intense labor. To put that amount into perspective, an average water bottle holds 16.9oz.

Take frequent breaks in the shade or indoors where there is AC.

Summary

Take heat stress seriously. Know the signs and symptoms of heat stress. Have a plan to get the proper medical attention for any individual displaying symptoms of heat stress. When dealing with heat stroke especially, it may mean the difference between life and death.



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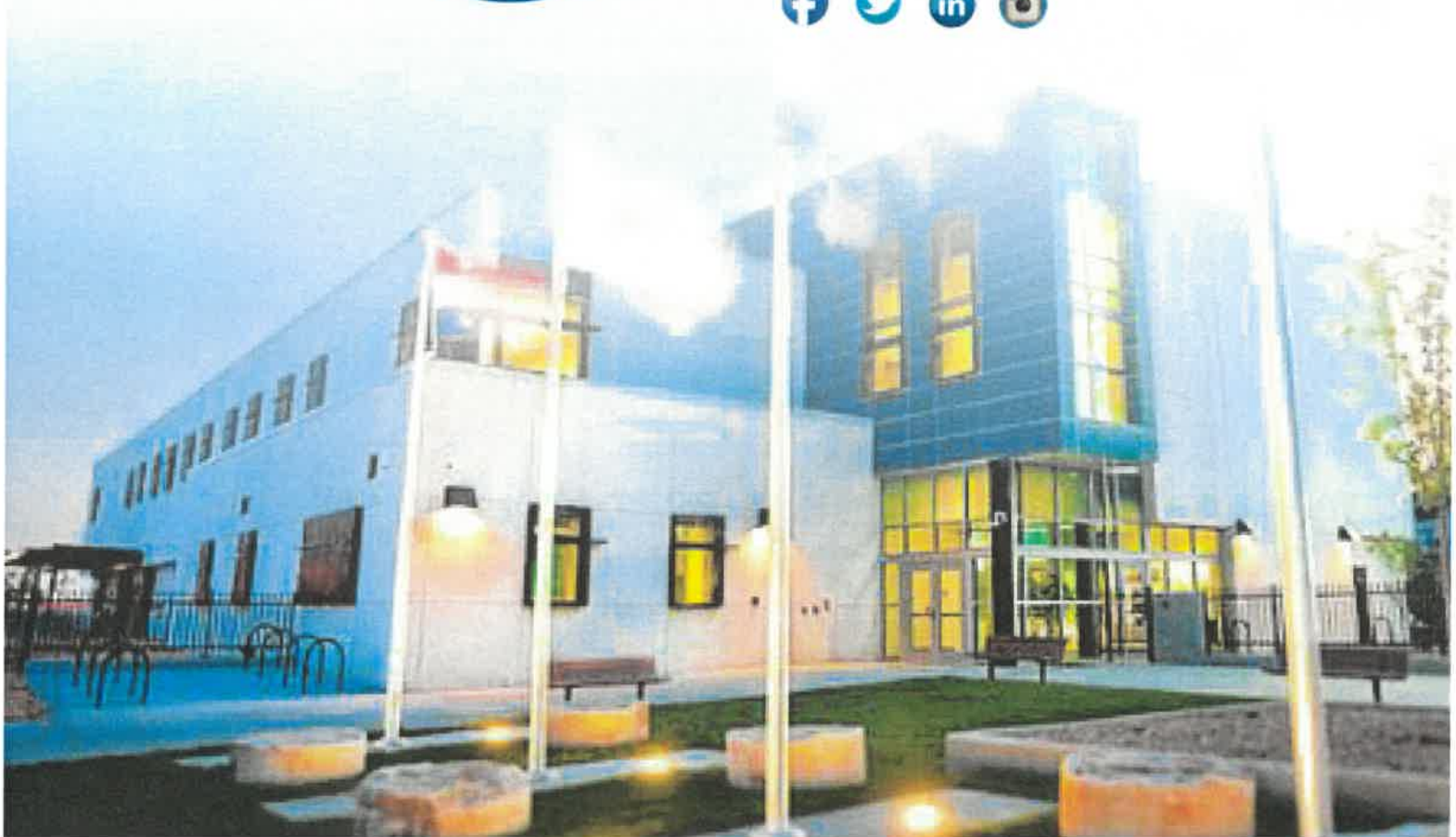
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