

CIP Update

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This newsletter is for cities, counties and communities involved in public-private partnerships for joint emergency preparedness, planning and prevention.

Michigan State University through a grant awarded by the Office for Domestic Preparedness, U.S. Department of Homeland Security produces the newsletter through their "CIP-Community Facilitation" Program. Please go to www.cip.msu.edu for more information on the program.

Participating Communities

Allentown, PA / Annapolis, MD / Brooklyn, OH / Carroll County, MD / Northampton County, PA / Evansville, IN / Marquette County, MI / Milwaukee, WI / Monroe County, MI / Oakland County, MI / Redmond, WA / Richmond Area, VA / Rockville, MD / Sandy City, UT / Casa Grande, AZ

CIP Community Happenings

Emporia, KS - On April 12th Lyon County public officials and business representatives decided to join the CIP community after attending a CIP Program Overview. Those who attended the meeting discussed the benefits of forming such a partnership. Taking the lead in this endeavor is Lyon County Emergency Management. Representatives of the Kansas Department of Emergency Management who attended the overview also voiced their support for the project.

Annapolis, MD - On April 20th members of the Annapolis group met and elected a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary. Quoting from the Chairman's follow-up email, "Our mission will be to help serve as their bridge to the private and business sectors of the community, to help generate an appreciation in those communities of the need for emergency and continuity planning, and to broaden the active involvement of the community in critical incident preparedness." They are currently focusing on organizing committees, developing timelines and establishing long-range goals and objectives.

Milwaukee, WI - Welcome to the city of Milwaukee! On May 3rd MSU facilitated an Orientation/Planning Session attended by representatives from the public and private sectors. The Mayor was there to welcome everyone.

Course in Public-Private Partnerships/Emergency Preparedness

Michigan State University is pleased to offer as part of their "online" Certificate in Homeland Security studies a new course in Public-Private Partnerships for Emergency Preparedness. The School of Criminal Justice, MSU continues their leadership role in the nation as the premier institution in creating partnerships between the private sector (businesses and non-profits) and public sector in emergency planning and preparedness. This course is one of the three internet based courses that fulfill the Certificate in Homeland Securities. Yet, as an option you can take just the Partnership course, if you are looking for an in-depth academic course based on practical applications. For more information go to <http://www.homelandsecurity.msu.edu>

Recent Postings to Members-Only Website

To enter the "members-only" website, please go to <https://angel.msu.edu> <<https://angel.msu.edu/>> and enter your user/password - or - use our generic phrase's of "msu.msu@angel" in the User/NetID box and "partnership" in the Password box (both without quotation marks) and log in. Then click on CIP and it will take you to the main menu.

In the "Bulletin Board - Information for all Communities" folder, you will see the below articles, among many others:

"Homeland Security Grants for Nonprofit & Community-based Organizations"

"National Incident Management System - Training Curriculum"

"Protecting America's Critical Infrastructure--Chemical Security"

Plus, in the website there are many other resources. To find a specific topic, use the "search" function, which is on the main menu page to the right in the green bar.

Starting a CIP Program and Using CIP Resources

Feel free to make a referral to the MSU staff about possibly starting a CIP Program elsewhere in the United States. We can use your assistance! Also, if you would like to use the resources from the CIP program that we gave you to initiate a new public-private partnership for emergency preparedness - please feel free to do so - or give us a call and we will work with you.

Closing

If you have any topics and/or ideas for a future "CIP Update" newsletter, please contact Brit Weber at weberbr@msu.edu or (517) 432-9236 or other MSU staff. About every three (3) weeks you will receive this newsletter via email. If you no longer want to be on this list, please reply to this email.

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