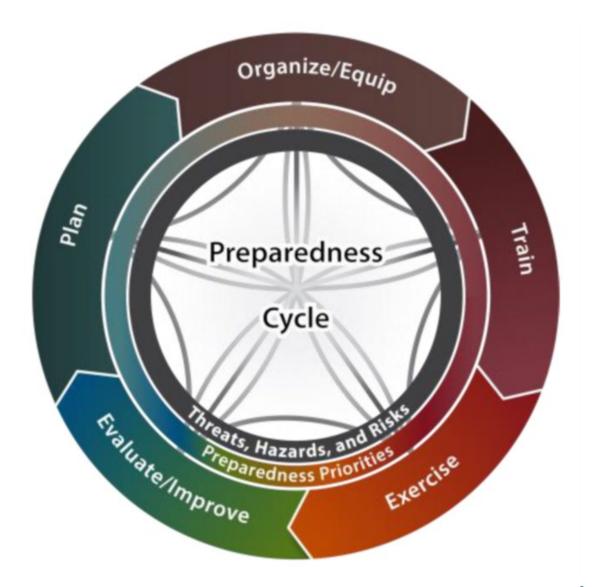
# **EMERGENCY** MANAGEMENT AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS COUNCIL

**OCTOBER 4, 2023** 

# **AGENDA**

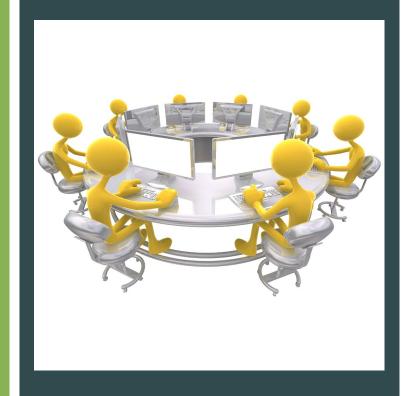
- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Welcome and Introductions
- 3. Overview of the Disaster Council Structure and Purpose
- 4. Working Group Recommendations
- 5. Staff Report and Discussion: Plans
- 6. Staff Report: Training and Exercise
- 7. Staff Report: Communities if Oakland Respond to Emergencies
- 8. Public Comment



# ROLL CALL

# DISASTER COUNCIL STRUCTURE AND PURPOSE

# WORKING GROUPS RECOMMENDATIONS



# WORKING GROUPS - PURPOSE



# Purpose & Process of the Working Groups

- The Disaster Council will accomplish its work by supporting and participating in seven (7) working groups.
- The goal of the working groups is to assist the City of Oakland in emergency planning.
- Each working groups will
  - Select a Lead and a Co-Lead
    - A member of EMSD will serve as either a Lead or a Co-Lead
  - Meet on the regular basis
  - Focus on their priority activities and move the planning forward
  - Report to the Disaster Council





# **Proposed Working Groups**

- Equity & Justice
- Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP) Work Group
- Planning Work Group
- Evacuation Planning
- Mass Care Work Group
- Public Information & Warning Work Group
- Community Organizations Active in Disaster COAD

# **WORKING GROUPS - PRIORITIES**



# Immediate Priorities for Work Groups

- Select Lead and Co-Lead (one member of EMSD)
- Establish meeting schedule
- Identify & invite internal and external members
- Develop goals and strategies
  - To reduce the potential loss of life and property from disasters
  - To further develop and enhance the emergency preparedness
  - To address emergency planning & public education, mitigation, response, and recovery efforts in the City of Oakland
  - To develop appropriate community partnerships



# PLANS & PLANNING PRIORITIES

# **EMERGENCY PLANNING GUIDANCE**









**POLICY DIRECTIVES** 

CALIFORNIA CODE

MUNICIPAL CODE

# **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN – EOP**



### **Basic Plan**

- Describes the systems, strategies, policies, assumptions, responsibilities, and operations priorities that the City will follow
- Adopted by the City Council: 2023

# **6 Hazard Specific Annexes**

- Civil Unrest
- Civil Officest
- Earthquake
- Severe Weather

- Tsunami
- Terrorism
- Wildland Fire

# 17 Emergency Support Function Annexes

- Transportation
- Communications
- Public Works & Engineering
- Firefighting
- Management
- Mass Care & Shelter
- Resources
- Public Health & Medical
- Search and Rescue

- Hazardous Materials
- Food, Agriculture & Animal Services
- Utilities
- Law Enforcement
- Recovery
- Public Information
- Evacuation
- Volunteer & Donations Management

# LOCAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN - LHMP



### The LHMP is organized into three primary parts

- Part 1—Planning Process and Community Profile
- Part 2—Risk Assessment
- Part 3—Mitigation Strategy

# LHMP is reviewed & updated annually

- Last Update June 30, 2023
- Next Update June 30, 2024

### Next LHMP revision

2026





# How should these plans be prioritized:

- Continuity of Operations Plans COOP
- Mass Care/Access and Functional Needs AFN
- Evacuation Procedures
- Transportation Annex
- Cyber Annex
- Pandemic Annex

"The time to repair the roof is when the sun is shining."

John F. Kennedy



# CITYWIDE EXERCISE AND TRAINING



### Overview

- Current Citywide Trainings
- 2022-2023 Exercises
- Intergrated Preparedness Plan
- Training & Exercise Challenges
- 2024 Goals

# **EXERCISE AND TRAINING**



EMSD works to provide training to City of Oakland staff to prepare them for the eventuality of serving in a response capacity to emergencies and disasters. In addition to emergency management courses offered through the Bay Area Urban Area Security Initiate, EMSD has offered the following courses to city staff:

Course Name	Description
Disaster Service Worker (DSW) Training	Onboarding training on DSW process for new hires and supervisors
Emergency Respite Centers (ERC) Training	General training on how to work in a City of Oakland ERC
Awareness & Resilience Training (ART)	Psychological and emotional support during emergencies training
Working with People with Access & Functional Needs (PAFN)	Trains participants on how to work with AFN populations during an emergency in a City of Oakland shelter or ERC
Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Training	Basic training on EOC Operations and Roles during an Emergency
EOC/VEOCI Training	Oakland-specific training on the tools used in the EOC
Just-in-Time Trainings	Trainings preparing personnel in advance of exercises or activations

# EXERCISE AND TRAINING DELIVERY DATA



Training Name	# of Deliveries (2022-2023)	Total Trained
Disaster Service Worker (DSW) Training	19	1062
Emergency Respite Centers (ERC) Training	4	168
Awareness & Resilience Training (ART)	3	208
Working with People with Access & Functional Needs (PAFN)	2	120
Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Training	4	168
EOC/VEOCI Training	2	81
Just-in-Time Trainings	2	I36
TOTALS	36	1943

# DISASTER SERVICE WORKER (DSW)



### **DSW Training Deliveries in 2022 & 2023**



### Regular DSW Deliveries as a Training Baseline

- 19 Deliveries in an 18-month period, reaching 1062 persons
- Required training emphasizing personal preparedness and responsibility.
- Paired with onboarding process to ensure that training is delivered to all employees regardless of level.
- Desire to activate, but process needs to be improved.

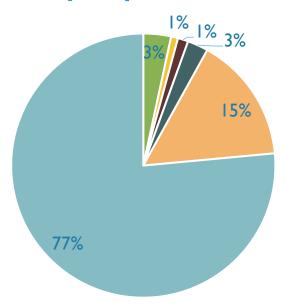
# EMERGENCY RESPITE CENTER TRAINING SERIES



### **Emergency Respite Center Trainings**

- Three Training Series for DSW & DSW-V on how to operate in Oakland Shelters
- Optional Training coordinated deliveries to departments showed marked improvement in attendance
- Both internal EMSD and external volunteer instructors
- Development of self-paced modules to improve just-in-time training access

# Training Attendance by Department



- Other
- Police Department
- Oakland Parks. Recreation & Youth Development
  Fire Department
- Oakland Public Library
- Human Services Department

# 2022-2023 GOLDEN EAGLE EXERCISES

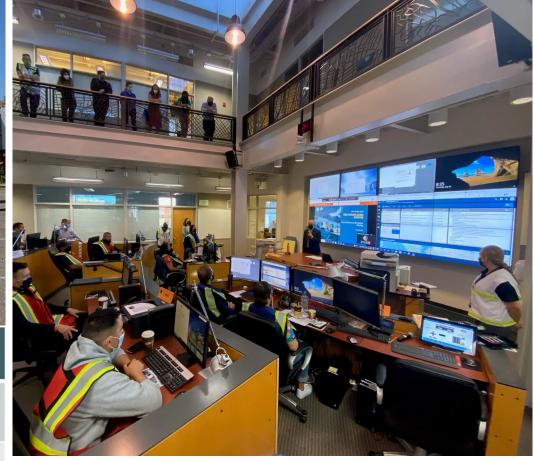


# Participation in Regional Exercises

- Funded through Bay Area UASI
- 2022: Critical Infrastructure
  - Full-Scale EOC Activation
- 2023: Community Point of Distribution (C-POD)
  - Full-Scale Activation, largely DSW-V at Arroyo Viejo Recreation Center



Exercise	Number of City Participants	Number of DSW Volunteers	Number of Departments/Orgs
2022 Golden Eagle	34 Individuals	16 CERT/ORCA	9 City; CERT, ORCA
2023 Golden Eagle C-POD	10 Individuals	24 CERT/ORCA	4 City; CERT, ORCA



# 2022-2023 PARTNER EXERCISE PARTICIPATION



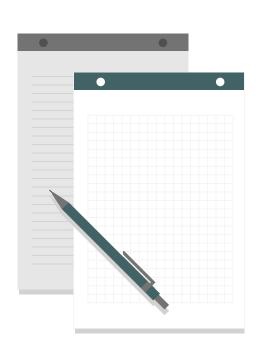
### **Participation in External Exercises**

Agencies outside of the City of Oakland ask EMSD to participate to improve the realism of their own exercises and to increase coordination between organizations before there is a catastrophic need.

Partner	Exercise	Date	Location	Oakland Role
PG&E	Evacuation Full-Scale	December 2022	Merritt College	Player (Response)
PG&E	Earthquake/Wildfire Full-Scale	August 2023	Virtual	Player (Agency Rep)
EBMUD	Earthquake Tabletop	June 2023	Oakland	Observer/Agency Rep

# INTEGRATED PREPAREDNESS PLAN









# **Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP):**

- Comprehensive strategy outlining training, exercises, and protocols for effective response to various emergencies and disasters
- Emphasizes coordination among stakeholders to define clear roles, efficient communication, and seamless cooperation during emergencies
- Multi-dimensional approach:
  - Comprehensive Planning
  - Enhanced Coordination
  - Training & Exercises



# 2023 WINTER STORMS RESPONSE & RECOVERY



# Understanding of Emergency Process

The Initial Damage Estimate and gathering of essential estimates and documents in time allowed for the admission of Alameda County into the Federal disaster

# Need for Just-In-Time Trainings

Lack of EOC experience, turnover, and retirements have led for the need to conduct frequent just-intime trainings during activations.

An IPP could reduce or eliminate their necessity and improve response capacity.

# Unfamiliarity with Non-Operations Roles

Persons assigned to the EOC lacked a clear understanding of the planning and logistics process.

This hampered the ability of the EOC to generate timely and accurate Situation Status reports.

# IPP NEXT STEPS



### **Upcoming Steps:**

- I. August 8: IPP Stakeholder Orientation
- August 9 September 7: Pre-Working Group Activities
- 3. September 12, 2023: IPPWG Kick-Off Meeting
- 4. November 3, 2023: Finalization of Capabilities Assessment
- 5. November 29, 2023: Internal Release of Draft Capabilities Assessment
- 6. December 8, 2023: IPPWG Multi-Year Calendar Meeting
- 7. December 31, 2023: Release of Key Findings, IPP Framework



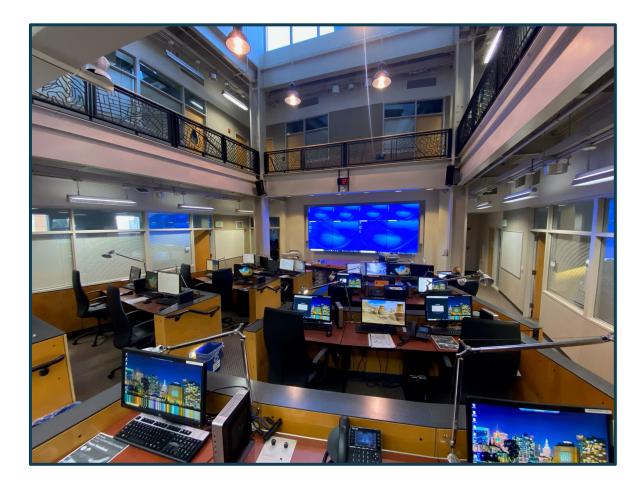


# Increasing Required & Recommended Trainings

- As more training as made available with the IPP, already overloaded staff will have an increased training load.
- High turnover has increased the number of people needing to be trained to successfully staff the EOC and support emergency functions

# **DSW** activation Procedures

 The procedures to activate staff during an emergency are currently untenable as shown during the 2023 Winter Storms







# **Integrated Preparedness Plan (2024-26)**

- After the 2023 Working Group Process, the execution of the IPP will increase the training and exercise capacity of the City of Oakland
- Provide a basis for comparison for future development cycles
- Increase staff exposure and limit need for Justin-Time Trainings

### **Citywide Active Attacker Exercise**

- Development of Tabletop Exercise series, leading to a full-scale active attacker exercise with city departments and DSW-V organizations
- Development and exercise of Interdepartmental Coordination procedures during an incident
- External Communication and accessibility procedures development

# CORE PROGRAM MISSION:



The CORE program's mission is to create a culture of preparedness by developing a community that is ready and willing to respond to any potential hazards that may impact the City of Oakland. With a budget of \$182k, the program encompasses community-oriented outreach, training, and exercise.

# **PRIMARY LINES OF SERVICE:**

- Community Outreach & Engagement
- Emergency Preparedness & Response Training
- Hands-on Drills & Exercises

# **COMMUNITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT:**



Since relaunching the CORE program in August of 2020, EMSD has worked to reintroduce Oaklanders to the program, expand our overall reach, and inform folks of the newly offered and soon-to-come training types.

# PRIMARY COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

- CORE Program Email <u>CORE@Oaklandca.gov</u>
- CORE Program Website <a href="https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/readyoakland">https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/readyoakland</a>
- Ready, Oakland Campaign [Follow us on Instagram!] @ReadyOakland
- Stay Ready, Oakland Newsletter
  - Subscribe online: <a href="https://oaklandca19202.activehosted.com/f/124">https://oaklandca19202.activehosted.com/f/124</a>
  - Text "Oakland CORE" to 415-528-7403



# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS & COMMUNITY RESPONSE TRAINING



We provide Emergency Preparedness & Response training to increase the community's capacity to respond confidently and effectively in the event of a large-scale disaster or an emergency.

# The CORE Program provides the following training courses:

Course Name	Description
Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)	Community team-based response and resilience to disasters
Personal Emergency Preparedness (PEP)	Understanding and preparing for Oakland emergencies and hazards
Emergency Respite Center (ERC) Training	How to work in City of Oakland Emergency Respite Centers
Rapid Damage Assessments (RDA)	Additional training for volunteers to conduct EOC-ready assessments
Encampment Safety Training (EST) Pilot	Basic preparedness, safety, and medical intervention training
Active Shooter Training (AST)	Surviving and preparing for active attacker scenarios

# CITY OF OAKLAND

# CORETRAINING OPPORTUNITIES - PEP

Event/Group	Date	Address	Attendance
Piedmont Ave	12/11/2022	80 Echo Ave, Oakland, CA 94611, USA	0
Oakland Library	1/23/2023	Piedmont Ave	0
CERT - VIRTUAL	2/9/2023	Zoom	8
General Public	3/28/2023	1605 MLK Way	27
BOEN	5/6/2023	1441 Franklin St & Zoom	38
St Marys Senior Center	5/25/2023	925 Brockhurst St, Oakland, CA 94608	60
BOEN	6/3/2023	1441 Franklin St & Zoom	30
Better Neighborhoods, Same Neighbors	7/19/2023	9400C International Blvd, Oakland, CA 94603	4
Tzu Chi	7/29/2023	620 International Blvd	27
BOEN	8/5/2023	7830 MacArthur Blvd	47
El Timpano	9/2/2023	3301 E 12th St #271	22
Fremont High School	9/6/2023	4610 Foothill Blvd, Oakland, CA 9460	22

# COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM TRAINING



Upon completing the CERT training course, participants should be able to take the necessary steps to safely secure themselves and their families. Beyond that, **CERT Trained Volunteers are prepared for and expected to lead** their communities by supporting the larger, government-led response.

- The City of Oakland has capacity to train/CERTify 200 Oaklanders, annually.
- In 2023 CERT training will have been delivered 5 times within the year.
- CERT training is available free of charge for teens and adults.
- Active in Regional Bay Area CERT Coalition







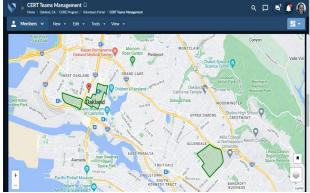
# CORE – SNAPSHOT OF CERT DEVELOPMENT



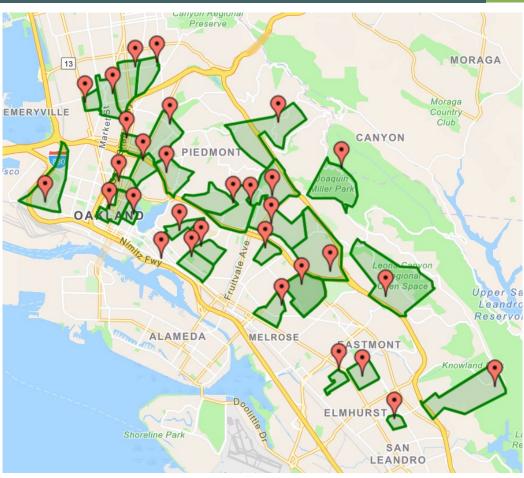
- Better tracking of CERT coverage.
   Moved from CERT training registration forms to actual teams established.
- Ability for DSW-V's to stay connected via CERT Team Management Dashboard/Volunteer Management





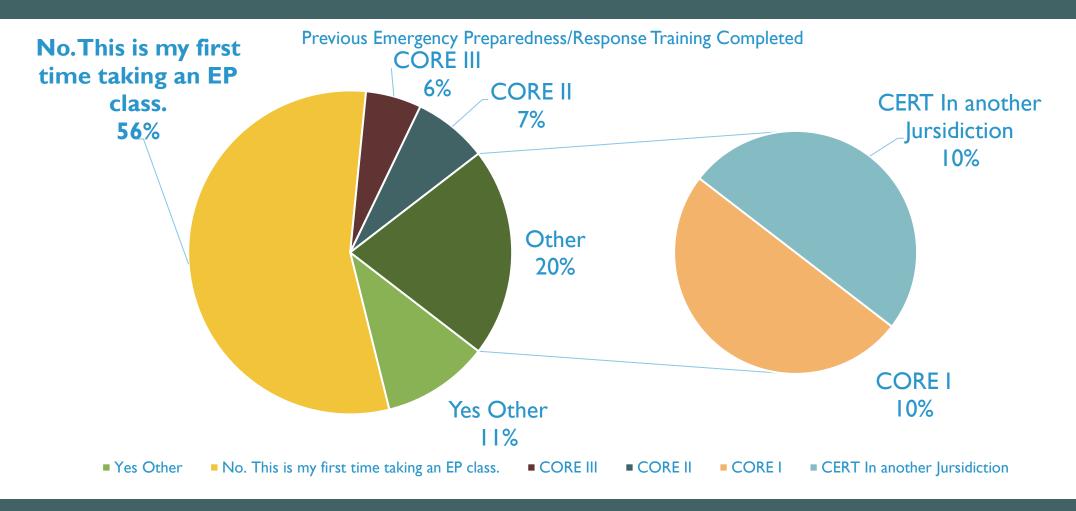


Number of CERT Training Sessions Delivered	Number of people Registered		Number of CERT Teams Established
11 Cohorts	366 Individuals	240 Individuals	31 Teams



# CORE – SNAPSHOT OF CERT DEVELOPMENT





# CORE – CERT INSTRUCTION RESOURCES



### **Resources Needed to Complete CERT Classes**

- 96+ CERT Instructor Hours for Class of 50
- 20+ (Staff) & 30+ (Volunteer) Hours for Skills Weekend
- CERT Content/Material in Languages other than English
- CERT Response Bags 17+ response items in each bag.









# **Mission Scope Beyond CERT**

- Types and number of training delivery has increased without increase in staffing
- Need increased community-led participation in CERT management and delivery

# City-wide Volunteer Management

- The city-wide community engagement working group has identified the lack of an interdepartmental volunteer management system.
- Interested volunteers must navigate a disparate set of systems and departments to find opportunities, increasing the barrier for entry.



# CORE – INCREASING PARTNERSHIPS WITH OAKLAND ORGANIZATIONS



Partnerships with Community and Non-Governmental Organizations form a vital component of our ability to promote preparedness in Oakland communities. Expanding both formal partnerships and informal partnerships is vital to expanding CORE capacities.

Formal Partnerships	Unofficial Partnerships	In-the-Works
<ol> <li>Arise High School</li> <li>Oakland FIRESAFE Council</li> <li>ORCA</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>La Clinica</li> <li>St. Mary's Center</li> <li>The Altenheim</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>El Timpano</li> <li>The Unity Council</li> <li>Tzu Chi Foundation</li> </ol>
Semi-Formal Partnerships	<ul><li>4. OakCLT</li><li>5. Communities for a Better</li></ul>	4. Better Neighborhoods Same Neighbors
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**2022 National CERT Program of the Year** 

2023 National CERT Association Conference Exercise Committee Chair

CORE – 2022-2023 HIGHLIGHTS





# Improved CORE Accessibility

- PEP Courses delivered in 5 languages
- CERT delivered in 2 languages
- Delivered trainings to populations with access and functional needs
- Development of Encampment SafetyTraining
- CORE Program and FEMA Partnership

# **Launched CERT Team Mapping System**



### CORE



### **2024 Goals**

- Refine volunteer management system to better encourage active participation from existing volunteers and streamline registration of new volunteers into service.
- Identify and coordinate with Partner Organizations to help deliver CORE trainings
- CORE Trainings Deliveries
  - Conduct 2 Public CERT Trainings, I Partner/CityCERT, and facilitate 2 partner-led CERT trainings
  - Conduct 6 Public PEP courses, empower DSW-Vs and Community-Based Organization (CBO)
     partners to independently deliver PEP to additional communities
  - Refine, Finalize, and Establish Cadence for EST delivery with CBO partners and MACRO

# PUBLIC COMMENT

# THANK YOU!

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# APPENDIX II: CERT ATTENDANCE RECORDS



	Class		
Cohort	Size	Graduated/DSW	Background/Recommendations Moving Forward
2022.1	34/50	32/50	Skills Weekend split into two groups to accommodate full class size and make-ups from 2021
2022.2	20/50		Canceled due to low attendance. Only 6 persons from cohort committed to attending Skills Weekend. Redirected to other skills weekend
2022.WOCC.I	21/50	32/50	*Partner organization – West Oakland CiviCorps (Supervisors and Crew Leaders)
2022.City/Org.I	22/50	19/50	* In conjunction with CERT Month
2022.3	11/50	10/50	Attrition Rate between sign-ups for course, completion of written portion, and confirmation of attendance for final weekend was a 75% reduction. City of Alameda joined in on Skills weekend to bring numbers beyond minimum threshold for training.
2022.4	62/50	30/50	
2023.1	54/50	20/50	
2023.2	22/50	10/50	Partnered with the City of Alameda to fill out this class.
2023.3	37/50	16/50	*In Conjunction with CERT Week
2023.4	23/50	28/50	<ul> <li>Partnered with Communities for a Better Environment,</li> <li>First Spanish CERT Delivery</li> </ul>
2023.5	39/50	TBD/50	*This course occurs in the future. *