Cares Act and FEMA Public Assistance

Do you need more information on the difference between FEMA Public Assistance (PA) and CARES Act funding? IDHS Recovery created a handy cheat sheet to help! Visit the Emergency Management page to check it out.

For even more information on the PA Program, go to dhs.in.gov/paprogram.htm. For information on the CARES Act/Coronavirus Relief Fund visit www.in.gov/ifa.

Exercise Starter Kit on Reconstituting Operations

As organizations across the country plan for how to return to full operations and protect the well-being and safety of their employees and communities, FEMA’s National Exercise Division and the National Continuity Programs have collaborated to develop an Exercise Starter Kit on Reconstituting Operations.

This Exercise Starter Kit is designed to help organizations, including government agencies, conduct their own planning workshops to navigate the complexities of returning to full operations during the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic.

Access the toolkit here.

Additional Exercise Updates:

- Ashley Baldwin (pictured left) named State Exercise Officer.
- IDHS Districts 1, 2, 5, 6 and 7 can contact JKindig@dhs.IN.gov and IDHS Districts 3, 4, 8, 9 and 10 can contact either Exercise@dhs.IN.gov or ABaldwin@dhs.IN.gov for exercise support at this time.
- A reminder that a COVID-19 AAR can replace up to three HSEEP compliant exercises. EMAs can find an AAR template on the Emergency Management page. Feel free to replace any logos as desired.

Reminder: June 30 Salary Documentation Deadline

The deadline to upload supporting documentation, trainings and exercises for the 2019 EMPG salary grant was extended from March 31 to June 30.
The travel advisory map has been a helpful tool in communicating travel restrictions due to COVID-19, but this use has increased scrutiny on the update process.

Please regularly update your county's status on the IDHS County Travel Status Map.

The map reports the date of the last change, which can give the impression that counties are not updating the map in a timely manner, especially if the bar for a change is high within the county. Regularly resetting the county status to "Normal" will help residents understand they have the most up-to-date information when making any traveling decisions.

**Weekly COVID-19 EMA Brief**

The June 11 COVID-19 EMA Brief was posted in WebEOC yesterday afternoon. The brief can be found in the Events and Incidents board within the 2019 Coronavirus Disease incident. As mentioned on the brief, please read through the attached guidance in WebEOC for masks that are approved for N95 use. The guidance can also be found on the IDHS Emergency Management page.

More information can be found in the March 20 EMA Roundup.

**Resources for COVID-19**

FEMA has issued additional information on its supporting role related to the COVID-19 response. You can visit the IDHS Emergency Management page to find the information, or read it here.

Additionally, the following state resources are available:

- ISDH COVID-19 site
- IDHS COVID-19 resources for first responders
- Critical Industries page
- Small Business Resources page
- BackOnTrack.in.gov

**Indiana Eligible for SBA Loans**

The U.S. Small Business Administration is offering low-interest federal disaster loans for working capital to Indiana small businesses suffering substantial economic injury as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The disaster declaration makes SBA assistance available in the entire state of Indiana.

Applicants may apply online, receive additional disaster assistance information and download applications at https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela. Applicants may also call SBA’s Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance.

- SBA Disaster Assistance Loans Available (3/19/20)
- SBA News Release

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