Disasters impact every member of a household, including pets. The Indiana Board of Animal Health reports that about 5 percent of people don’t evacuate during disasters because they cannot leave with their pets. June is Pet Preparedness Month in the United States.

Before a disaster strikes it is important to:

- Practice the evacuation plan with each pet for a better understanding of how they will react.
- Maintain reliable identification and current photos on each pet.
- Create a disaster kit with pet supplies. (bedding, litter, collar and leash, food and water, medications, vaccination records etc.)

When evacuating with a pet:

- If possible, evacuate pets early.
- Call ahead to make a reservation at the chosen evacuation spot.
- Keep areas clean and sterilized to prevent the potential spread of illness.
- Keep pets separated from unknown animals and people to prevent stress-related aggression.

Pets are important members of the family. Leaving them out of evacuation plans can put pets, pet owners, and first responders in danger. They deserve to be included in your family’s emergency planning.
County Cyber Conversations

The Indiana Office of Technology and the IN-ISAC are joining local leaders to discuss HEA 1169 (2021) reporting requirements, the IN.gov Program and prevention methods for a cyberthreat and attack. It's important in today's tech-reliant world to share information with each other before people fall victim to the newest cyberattacks.

The next discussion will be held in Whitley County

- 10 a.m. -12 p.m.
- July 5, 2022
- Whitley County Government Center 220 Van Buren Street Columbia City, IN 46275

For any questions contact thollenbeck@iot.in.gov.

FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association Presents: Media and Public Relations

This is a 4.5 day course on media and public relations. This course will guide the participants on how to promote a consistent and positive public image of the department, enabling the community to perceive their police as a transparent organization they can depend on and trust.

- Aug. 8-12, 2022
- Hancock County Sheriff Dept.398 Malcom Grass Way, Greenfield, IN 46140

IPAWS User Conference

Join us at this year’s virtual IPAWS Users Conference

The Users Conference is designed for public safety officials interested in leveraging IPAWS capabilities in their jurisdictions. Current Alerting Authorities will also benefit from refreshing their knowledge. Attendance is Free!

Register for Free

FEMA Updates

FEMA is looking for education professionals in school districts and

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The Indiana Integrated Public Safety Commission is offering a free Incident Tactical Dispatcher Course (INTD) course for public safety professionals with three years experience in dispatch operations. Prerequisites include IS-100, IS-144, IS-200, IS-700 and IS-800.
K–12 schools to be part of the following pilot course offerings:

- **E0360** Preparing for Emergencies: What School Staff Need to Know
- **E0361** Multi-Hazard Emergency Planning for Schools

Learn More

On **July 1, 2022** two things will go into effect:

- **RPA deadline.** Any RPAs (Request for Public Assistance) forms will not be accepted. This form is only for those who have yet to be declared an eligible applicant by FEMA and are not actively submitting projects into the Grant Portal.

- **The 100% Federal Cost Share** will end on July 1, 2022. The cost share will then switch to a 90/10. FEMA will reimburse 90% of all PA eligible project costs and the applicant will be responsible for 10% of those costs.

**Response and Recovery Updates**

The Indiana Department of Health has **PPE and supplies available**. County EMAs are welcome to request resources through the portal. All requests should be ordered through Langham Logistics. Please refer to the guidance document provided as well as the following [letter outlining specific items for order](https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire).

**Planning Updates**

Continuity Training (L-1301 Continuity Planning) is scheduled for July 20-21, 2022, at the MADE@Plainfield facility. It is on [Acadis](https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire) for registration and information.

The County ESF Templates have been uploaded to [WebEOC](https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire) under the State Plans Library folder.

The deadline for submission of the SEAR events in the county WebEOC board is no later than **August 26, 2022**. If you have any questions, please contact Janice Lee, [jalee@dhs.in.gov](mailto:jalee@dhs.in.gov) or call 317-605-7005.

The deadline for submission for the county THIRA/SPR will be no later than **Oct 28, 2022**.

The NIMS and CPG 101 survey will be required no later than **Nov 15, 2022**.

If you have any questions about THIRA/SPR, NIMS or CPG 101, please contact Peri Rogowski at [progowski@dhs.in.gov](mailto:progowski@dhs.in.gov) or Joshua Kiilu at [jkiilu1@dhs.in.gov](mailto:jkiilu1@dhs.in.gov).

**Hazmat Updates**

**July 11-14, 2022**

**IPSC CTC: 128 South Park Boulevard, Greenwood Indiana.**

To Register send the attached [FEMA General Admissions Application](https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire) and certificates to Michael Watkins at [Mwatkins@ispc.in.gov](mailto:Mwatkins@ispc.in.gov).

Check out all the current openings on the [IDHS Public Safety Jobs dashboard](https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire). If your agency is hiring and would like to promote the job, submit your information below the dashboard. It’s free.

*Note: If the link above does not load, please copy and paste this address into the browser: [https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire](https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire)*
IDHS has hired two LEPC Program Managers, Erin Miller and Jackie Pulley. Jackie will be managing LEPCs in the state’s eastern half, and Erin will be covering the western half. Although Erin and Jackie will be reaching out to their respective LEPC counties in the coming weeks to introduce themselves, we encourage EMAs to notify their LEPCs of this new change.

For LEPCS who have questions or need assistance, you can reach Erin at ErMiller@dhs.IN.gov, and Jackie JPulley@dhs.IN.gov.

Grants Updates

Quarter 2 Program Reports for SHSP 21 are open now. Quarter 2 Program Reports for EMPG-C 21, HMEP 22 and Quarter 1 Program Reports for ILBC 22 will open on July 1.

The FY2023 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) grant application will open in IntelliGrants on Wednesday June 15, 2022, and will close on July 15, 2022 at 4:30pm (EST). Please read the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) carefully as there has been some changes, including an increase in the cap of funding per project to $20,000. Applicants may submit one project per application and can submit multiple applications to consider for funding. If you have any questions or need assistance, please submit a grants support ticket.

FY23 SSSG is now open for applications
All applications are due by June 30, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. (EDT).

For FY22 salary reimbursement, IDHS is reducing the number of HSEEP exercises from three (3) exercises to one (1) exercise required for salary reimbursement. Current policy and guidance documents are being updated to reflect this change. The training course requirement will stay the same.