

Maine VOAD Announces the 2022-2023 Training Schedule

Open to all Members and Partners

All sessions are delivered at 3:00 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of each month through Microsoft Teams. There is no charge for attending sessions.

Session Dates and Topics are as follows:

(Session Topics may be adjusted to accommodate Presenter Availability due to unanticipated schedule changes.)

October 18, 2022- What is Maine VOAD?

Presenter: Sam Michaud, Maine VOAD Co-Chair

Description:

The presentation will provide an overview of Who is Maine VOAD? Which will include information on Membership, What We Do? Roles in Disaster Response and Recovery. Those in attendance will be provided an opportunity to learn how to engage with Maine VOAD in local Disaster Response and Recovery efforts.

November 15, 2022-

Presenter: John Stewart and Kate Brayshaw, FEMA Region 1 Voluntary Agency Liaisons Description:

The presentation will provide an overview of the FEMA Voluntary Agency Liaisons program and mission is to establish, foster, and maintain relationships among government, voluntary, faith-based, and community partners. Through these relationships, the VALs support the delivery of inclusive and equitable services and empower and strengthen capabilities of communities to address disaster-caused unmet needs.

December 20, 2022- Maine VOAD Standard Operations Procedure

Presenter: Bill Guindon, MEMA Mass Care Coordinator

Description:

The presentation will provide an overview of the scope and purpose of the Maine VOAD Response Plan. The information will provide guidance regarding the operations of the Maine Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (MEVOAD) during multiple phases of emergency management.



January 17, 2023- Continuity of Operations Planning for Community Organizations

Presenter: Jonathan Ross, MEMA Senior Planner

Description:

Basics of continuity for Whole Community- established FEMA Program that we can focus on certain preparedness actions organizations can take to build resilience.

February 21, 2023- 211 Maine

Presenter: Nikki Williams, 211 Maine Program Manager

Description:

211 Maine is a free, confidential information and referral service connects people of all ages across Maine to local services. The presentation will include an overview of program and services of 211 Maine and the United Way in Maine.

March 21, 2023- Individual Assistance in Disasters

Presenter: James Segerson, FEMA Region 1 Emergency Management Specialist

Description:

The presentation will provide an overview of FEMA's Individuals and Households Program (IHP) provides financial and direct services to eligible individuals and households affected by a disaster, who have uninsured or underinsured necessary expenses and serious needs.

April 18, 2023- ICS for VOAD

Presenter: Bill Guindon, MEMA Mass Care Coordinator

Description:

The presentation will provide an overview of the Incident Command System (ICS) for Maine VOAD members and the application and utilization in local Disaster Response and Recovery efforts.

May 16, 2023- Disaster Muck-Out and Cleaning Best Practices

Presenter: Team Rubicon

Description:

Participants will be provided information on Best Practices on Post Disaster Muck-Out and Cleaning, Topics of discussion will include examples of how Maine VOAD can support local response and recovery in communities impacted by Natural or Human-Caused Disasters such as Storms, Flooding, and Fires.



June 20, 2022- Volunteer Reception Centers

Presenter: To Be Announced at a Later Date

Description:

Following an emergency, the number of unaffiliated volunteers who arrive on-scene can overwhelm an agency that is not prepared to manage them. Emergency planners should have plans to establish a Volunteer Reception Center near the disaster area to manage and utilize unaffiliated volunteers. If managed effectively, unaffiliated volunteers can be a valuable resource during an emergency.

July 18, 2023- Accessibility and Functional Needs of Disaster Survivors

Presenter: To Be Announced at a Later Date

Description:

During a Disaster one of our most vulnerable populations is those with Accessibility and Functional Needs. This presentation will provide an overview of best practices and tips to support response and recovery efforts to survivors with Accessibility and Functional Needs.

August 15, 2023- Emotional and Spiritual Care for VOAD Responders

Presenter: Disaster Presbyterian Services

Description:

Those who responds to Disasters are not immune to psychological and social effects of serving those in a time of need. The presentation will provide Maine VOAD members and partners with practical tips to cope with the effects of trauma during response and recovery efforts due to a Natura or Human-Caused Disaster.

September 19, 2023- Multi-Agency Resource Centers

Presenter: To Be Announced at a Later Date

Description:

Multi-Agency Resource Center (MARC) A MARC is a single, "one stop shop" location where public and private organizations come together to aid those affected by disaster. Information will be provided on the Maine VOAD members and partners role when a MARC is established to support recovery efforts after a Natural or Human-Caused Disaster.

All sessions will be up to 1.5 Hours with additional time for questions and discussions. Please follow this link to access the Training Sessions:

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