



## All municipalities are required to have some type of emergency preparedness plan. But is your community's plan regularly updated and tested?

Do your plans consider the full range of hazards that may threaten your residents? Does everyone who may need to be involved in emergency response understand it? If you need assistance with these types of issues, the Metropolitan Area Planning Council can help.

The COVID-19 pandemic has tried local and regional emergency capabilities like nothing before it, forcing us all to adapt and develop new partnerships and plans. Our task now is to take the lessons learned from COVID-19 to better prepare for future hazards.

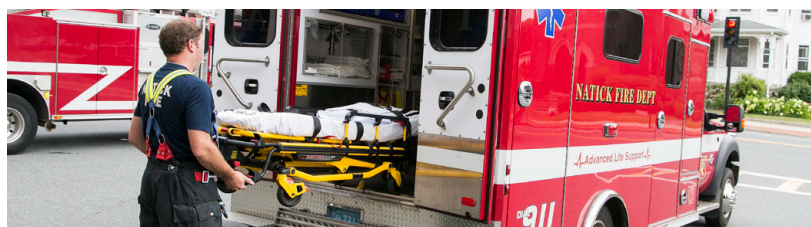
You may not have the time to organize the types of workshops, exercises, and drills that can effectively test your municipality's emergency preparedness plans. You might want assistance evaluating or redrafting your plans. Or you may want to take advantage of MAPC's region-wide connections with public safety, emergency management, and public health officials to strengthen the ties you'll find invaluable in a crisis.

Whatever your needs, MAPC's multi-disciplinary team is here to help you respond effectively to the next emergency.

## GET STARTED PLAN, PREPARE, PRACTICE, ASSESS

### We can help your community with:

- ▶ Various types of emergency preparedness plans, including emergency management and response
- ▶ Incident response evaluation and after-action/improvement plan reports
- ▶ Emergency plan gap analysis and review
- ▶ Continuity of operations planning
- ▶ Emergency preparedness trainings and exercises, including tabletops and drills
- ▶ Hazard vulnerability assessments
- ▶ Disaster resilience planning



## CONTRACT WITH MAPC DIRECTLY AND SIMPLY

MAPC is a regional planning agency representing the cities and towns of Greater Boston. Mass. General Laws Chapter 30B, Sections 1(b)(3) and (b)(9) exempt municipalities from having to issue a Request for Proposals, Request for Quotes, or Invitation for Bids when working directly with MAPC. Because of our public mission, the costs of working with us are kept affordable for municipal budgets and we often supplement local contributions with a range of additional funding options.

## WE KNOW THE STAKEHOLDERS

Do you know your local stakeholders' emergency preparedness plans? How about neighboring municipalities' plans? Do they know yours? Through our work, MAPC staff have forged relationships with public and private health and safety personnel across municipalities. We can help you work with your neighbors on multi-municipal plans and exercises. And we'll help make sure that you're working with—and taking advantage of the resources offered by—all relevant stakeholders.

## WE UNDERSTAND YOUR NEEDS

MAPC's Municipal Collaboration Department has spent years developing and promoting public safety initiatives. We manage projects on behalf of the Northeast Homeland Security Regional Advisory Council, Shannon Community Safety Initiative, and Region 3 Health and Medical Coordinating Coalition.

If you work with MAPC, you'll be working directly with staff who have responded to and coordinated services for the COVID-19 pandemic, winter and tropical storms, power outages, and the Merrimack Valley Gas Explosion.

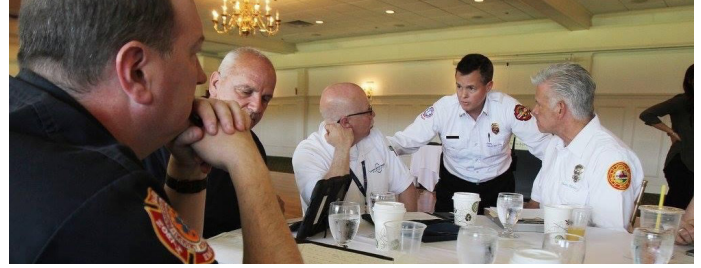
Our team's certifications include:

- Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) Certified
- ICS: 100, 200, 300, 400, 402, 700, 800
- Hospital Incident Command System (HICS)
- Framework for Healthcare Emergency Management (FAME)

## WE HAVE RESOURCES TO SUPPORT YOU

Emergencies come in many forms, and we have the in-house resources and expertise to help you plan for a variety of hazards. With MAPC, you'll have access to a team of experts in legal and data services, land use, public health, IT, clean energy, hazard mitigation, public safety, and more.

Through our relationships with state-wide and regional organizations and knowledge of local, state, and federal funding sources, we're plugged into the latest opportunities for partnerships and funding.



## OUR WORK

Recent projects we've worked on include:

- ▶ Developing regional COVID-19 vaccination partnerships
- ▶ Coordinating and facilitating exercises and trainings
- ▶ Coordinating emergency notification system drills and producing after-action reports and improvement plans
- ▶ Writing hazard and vulnerability assessments for health and medical stakeholders
- ▶ Hosting "lessons learned" sessions on the Merrimack Valley Gas Explosions
- ▶ Developing a comprehensive emergency management plan for a municipal partner

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