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NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH ISSUE



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Local Activities Mark 10th Anniversary of 9/11

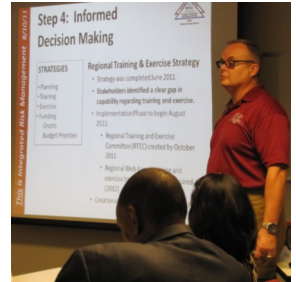
A National Patriot Day Program will be held Sept. 9 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the Statehouse West Lawn as part of a statewide promotion of September as National Preparedness Month. [Click for flier](#). Marking the 10th anniversary of 9/11, the program will recognize first responders and promote emergency volunteer programs. For more on this and other 9/11 service projects and events, [click here](#).

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How IRM Can Prepare Community for Disaster

FCEM&HS Director Michael R. Pannell briefed the Executive Committee Aug. 10 on a countywide decision-making model for analyzing and managing disaster risks faced by Franklin County, urging its adoption by local mayors and city managers. For more on the process and how federal and state homeland security officials are helping implement it Franklin County, [click here](#) for Pannell's brief, "This is Integrated Risk Management."



How Citizens Can Contribute to Homeland Security

Terrorism is designed to instill public fear and gain publicity. Citizens can help contribute to homeland security by being aware of their surroundings, taking precautions while traveling and learning emergency evacuation routes. For more terrorism preparedness information [click here](#). Ohio Homeland Security is encouraging the community to spot and report suspicious behavior with their [See Something, Say Something](#) initiative. Call the Ohio Terrorism Tip Line to report suspicious behavior at 1-877-OHS-INTEL or 877-647-4683. [Watch their video here](#).



Preparing People with Disabilities for an Emergency

Preparing for an emergency requires assessing individual needs. Three basic steps include assembling an emergency supply kit, making a plan and being informed. For those with functional needs, plan for extra accommodations like medical supplies, service animals, or medical alert tags. Click here for [more on functional needs preparedness](#).

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