



# Office of Emergency Management Planning Update

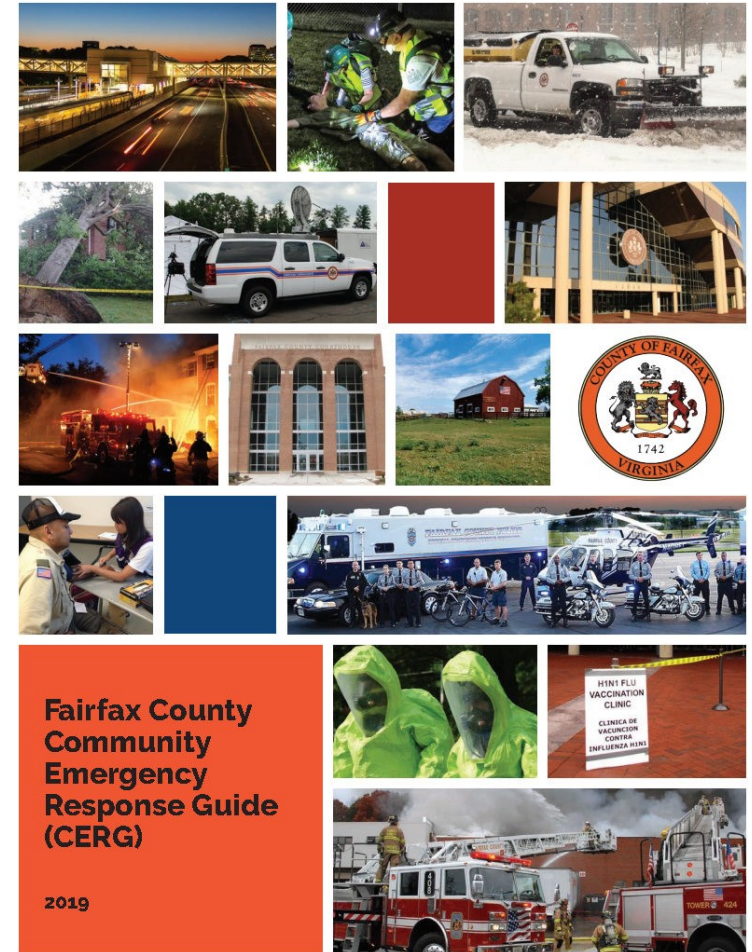
Update

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# Community Emergency Response Guide

- One stop guide
- Allows neighborhoods/communities to sustain themselves until county services and outside support can be obtained
- Companion document to the County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)
- Structured by the 4 phases of emergency management
- Hazards Section
- Appendices (various resources and templates)



Fairfax County  
Community  
Emergency  
Response Guide  
(CERG)

2019

*Community Emergency Response  
Guide Cover*

# Community Emergency Response Guide

## Action Items Since Last Briefing (Public Safety Committee, 9/18/18)

- Incorporated edits and comments
- Translation underway
  - Spanish, Korean, Vietnamese, Arabic, and Mandarin
- Tracking
  - Developed Bitly links to track website traffic to the CERG page
  - Developed an online survey

# Community Emergency Response Guide

## Community Engagement

- Website – launched February 4th
  - Restructured OEM website with CERG content
  - Provides universal access to CERG content in multiple languages utilizing Google Translate
  - Provides full content as PDFs and fillable plan templates
  - The CERG and other OEM plans can be downloaded at:  
<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergencymanagement/emergency-plans>
- Printing
  - Supervisor's District Offices – CERG copy and Crisis Guide Flipbooks
  - Libraries – CERG copy in reference section

# Community Emergency Response Guide

## Community Engagement

- Communications

- Communications Rollout Plan
  - Social media posts/graphics
  - Newsletters
  - Fliers

- Channel 16 Videos

- Supervisor Cook's PSA
- 5 Steps Guide
- Hazards
  - Winter Weather
  - Earthquake

- Training

- OEM Volunteer Corps, CERT, and Citizen Corps have been trained by OEM on the CERG and will help promote it in their communities



**WHAT IT IS**

Flooding is one of Fairfax County's most common hazards. Depending on its depth and velocity, flooding can be a nuisance or a disaster. Be prepared for flooding no matter where you live, but particularly if you are in a low-lying area, near a body of water, downstream from a dam, or in other areas known to flood in previous storms.

**WHAT TO DO**

**Before (Preparedness/ Mitigation)**

- Sign up for Fairfax Alerts and have a battery or crank powered NOAA weather radio available.
- Decide early whether you will evacuate, and where you will go if ordered to or opt to leave.
- Prepare your home by cleaning gutters and drains

**KEY TERMS**

- ▶ A **Flood Watch** means there is a possibility of flooding or a flash flood in your area.
- ▶ A **Flood Warning** means a flood is occurring or will likely occur soon. If you are advised to evacuate do so immediately.
- ▶ A **Flash Flood Watch** means flash flooding is possible. Be prepared to move to higher ground. A Flash Flood could occur without any warning.
- ▶ A **Flash Flood Warning** means a flash flood is occurring. Seek higher ground immediately; do not wait for instructions.
- ▶ A **100-year flood** (or "base flood") is a flood that has a 1 percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year, according to FEMA's flood maps. A base flood may also be

*Flooding hazard page*



# Community Emergency Response Guide

## Next Steps

- Media Briefing – March 19<sup>th</sup>
- Exploring options to track plan development throughout the county
- Presentations
  - Committees or community organizations can request presentations through the OEM website:  
<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/emergencymanagement/cerg>
  - OEM completed one presentation in the Mason District on February 9<sup>th</sup> and the next one is scheduled for NCS Staff (North County) – March 25<sup>th</sup>

# Pre-Disaster Recovery Plan (PDRP)

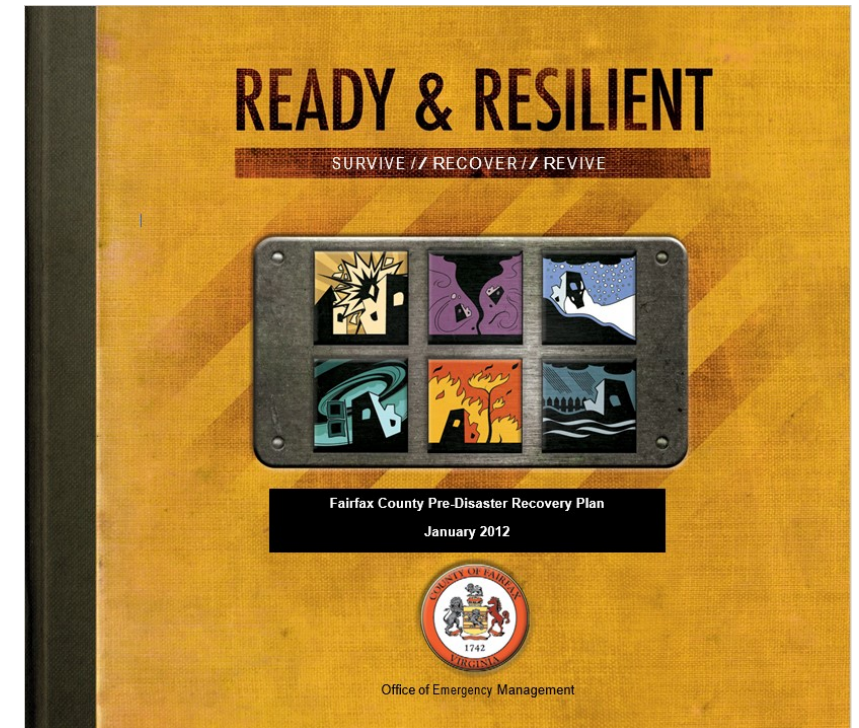
## Purpose

## Project History

- UASI-funded planning process 2009-2011
- Tabletop Exercise 2011
- Approved in January 2012

## Project Update

- Scoped in 2017
- Project kickoff was in early 2018
- Projected completion scheduled for fall 2019



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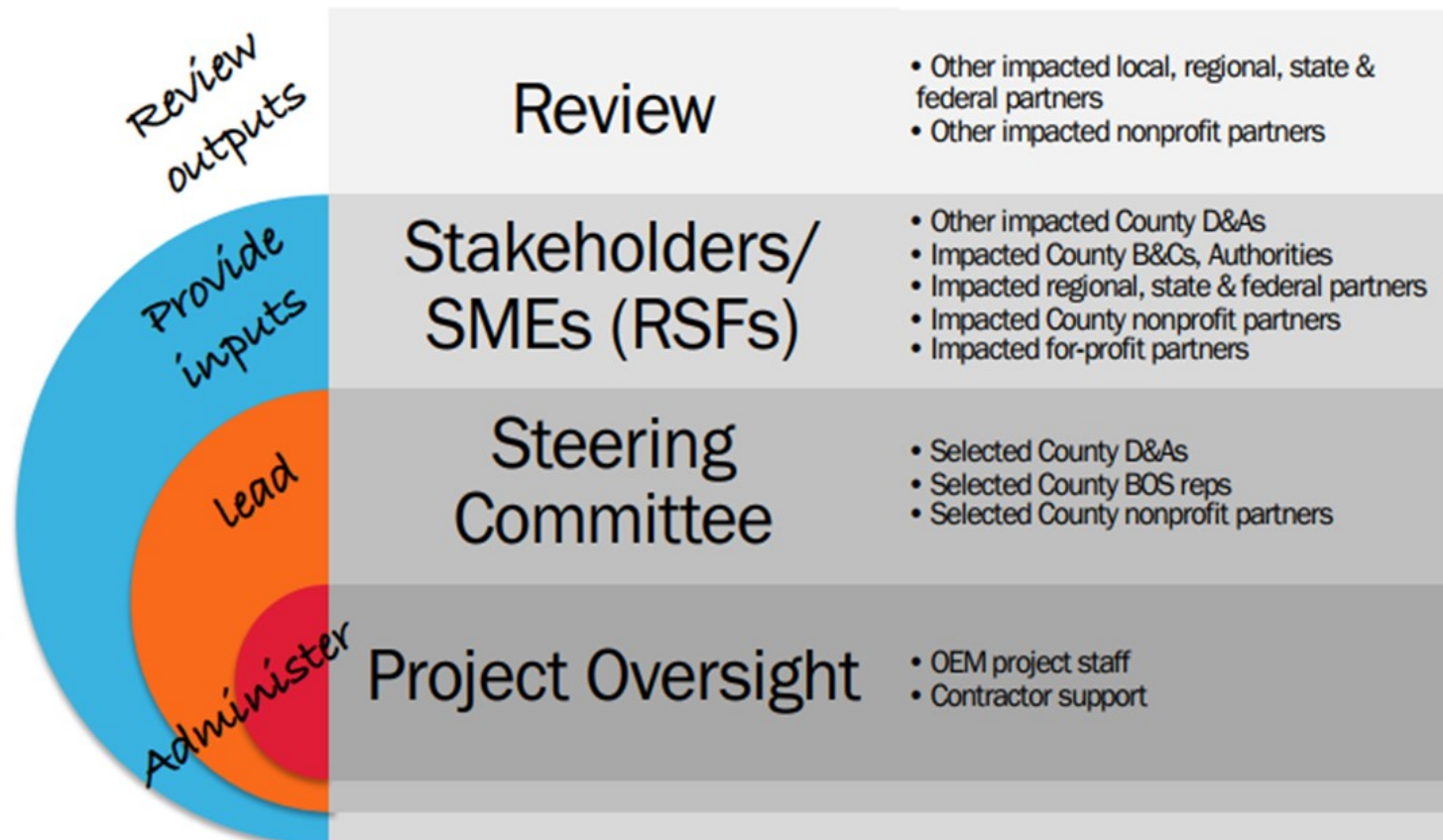
## Scope and Proposed Changes

- Overall streamlining with emphasis on usability and scalability
- Reference to applicable National Preparedness Goal Core Capabilities
- Enhanced clarity and practical application (short, intermediate, and long term recovery)
- Enhanced transition from response to recovery
- Validate and structure, agency leadership, and tasking of the Recovery Support Function (RSFs)
- Validate recovery organizational structure and staffing
- Sample Recovery Action Plan



# Pre-Disaster Recovery Plan (PDRP)

## Leadership Structure for Review and Revision



*Graphic of the leadership structure for the PDRP update*

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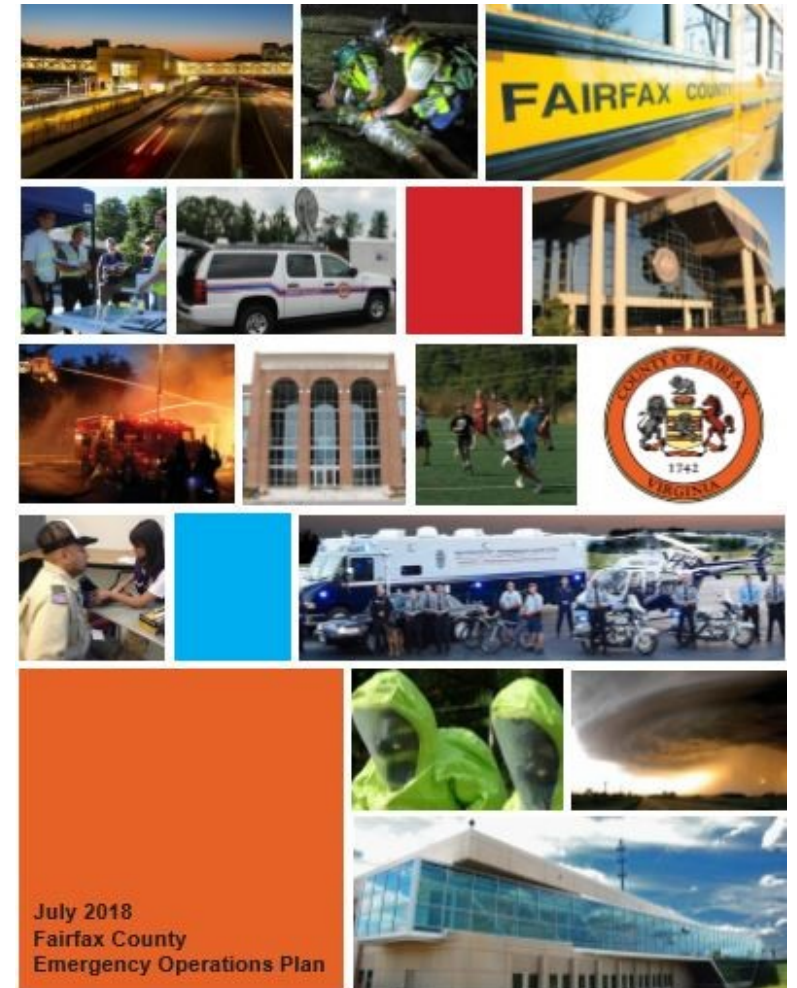
## Next Steps

- Steering Committee meeting to receive and review draft PDRP – March 27, 2019
- RSF meeting(s) to review draft
- Public outreach
- Approval process – End of 2019
- Training and exercise – 2020 and beyond
  - Discussion based exercise
  - Operational exercise

# Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Update

## Purpose

- Fulfills the Commonwealth of Virginia's requirement for each city and county to prepare and keep a current EOP to respond to disasters or large scale emergencies
  - Emergency Services and Disaster Law of 2000
- Establishes overall roles and responsibilities for emergency operations
- Comprehensive review and revision every 4 years according to Code
- Plan is required to be formally adopted by the Board of Supervisors



# Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Update



*Plans Graphic*

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## EOP Timeline

- Approved by Board of Supervisors – June 2015
  - Due for submission to Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM) in 2019
- Review and update launched – Q1 2017
  - Emergency Support Function(s) (ESF) review and revision through the EMC
- Agency and Department heads review and signatures – Q4 2018
- Deputy County Executives review and signatures – Q1 2019
- County Executive currently reviewing the plan



# Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Update

## New Agency Additions:

- Land Development Services
- Department of Animal Sheltering
- Office of Strategy Management (Deleted Department of Administration for Human Services)

## Other Changes:

- Department of Procurement and Material Management name change
- Updated Signatures (County Executive, Deputy County Executives, Several Agency Heads, Town of Herndon)
- Updated Authorities and References
- Emergency Support Function (ESF) updates in cooperation with the coordinating agency
- Updated Appendix A – Emergency Operations Center Organizational Chart
- Updated Appendix C – Succession of Authority

# Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) Update

- Next Steps/Action Items
  - Receive Public Safety Committee's recommendation to move the EOP to the full Board of Supervisor's meeting
  - Board of Supervisor's approval – Summer 2019
  - Submit to Virginia Department of Emergency Management
  - Review EOP annexes and associated plans
    - Sheltering Plan
    - Volunteer Management
    - Donations Management
    - Service and Information Center (SIC)
    - Damage Assessment
    - Commodity Points of Distribution (C-POD)
    - Fatality Management