

# Post-Forum Questionnaire

# Emergency Preparedness: Strengthening Our Emergency Safety Net

Now that you've had the chance to participate in a forum on the issue of emergency preparedness, please complete both sides of this questionnaire. Indicate level of agreement about the statements that follow by marking the appropriate box.

	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not Sure
<b>Approach One: Show Me the Money!</b>					
a) Legislate more public funding for comprehensive response, planning and practice.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Create a non profit to seek donations for hazard-specific preparedness education and mitigation education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Mandate storage and maintenance of basic emergency supplies for occupants of all workplace or public buildings.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Provide public funding for training in all counties of all states to increase capacity of citizens to respond to their own needs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Make family disaster kit supplies available 'at cost' to encourage all families to participate in their own preparedness.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Approach Two: It Takes a Village</b>					
a) Create & strengthen development of coordination & networking for a comprehensive emergency response.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Create a standardized intake procedure and forms to use by all 'safety net' agencies to integrate the efforts of all .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Create & mandate use of state-of-the-art, secure communications networks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Integrate local & regional partners into the nationally coordinated community of agencies.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Revise procedures for response to catastrophic disasters & emergencies with appropriate 'redundancy'.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Approach Three: Wake Up and Smell the Coffee</b>					
a) Create a clear & high standard in strategic planning & evaluation for all agencies.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Publish emergency response methods to invite increased public feedback & understanding.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Create working connections with media so essential information can be distributed to the public quickly..	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Redesign response practices & recovery policies to do a better job in serving the most vulnerable citizens.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Standardize evaluation & reporting methods at all levels for emergency response agencies.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Turn Over and Complete Feedback

As a result of this forum, are you thinking differently? Yes No If so, how?

What, if anything, could citizens do differently to address the issue of emergency preparedness as a result of this forum?

What if anything, could the Rural Maryland Council and/or the Maryland Rural Health Association do to further address the issue?

What if anything, are YOU willing to do to address the issue?

Rate your involvement in public policy BEFORE this forum on a scale of 0-5, with 0 = no involvement and 5 = totally focused on, and extensively doing, public policy work. \_\_\_\_\_( )

Rate your *expected involvement* in public policy AFTER this forum on a scale of 0-5, with 0 = no involvement and 5 = totally focused on, and extensively doing public policy work. \_\_\_\_\_( )

**About You:**

*Ethnicity*

- Caucasian/White
- Black or African-American
- Hispanic
- Asian
- Native American
- Pacific Islander
- Other (please specify):  
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*Education*

- \_\_\_\_\_ Less than 9<sup>th</sup> grade
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9<sup>th</sup> to 12th grade, no diploma
- \_\_\_\_\_ High school graduate
- \_\_\_\_\_ Technical school graduate (includes equivalency)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Some college, no degree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Associate degree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Bachelor's degree
- \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate or professional degree

*Where do you live?*

- Rural area
- Small town
- Suburbia
- Large City

*State*

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*Zip Code*

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*Gender*

- Male
- Female

*Income*

- \_\_\_\_\_ Less than \$10,000
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$10,000-\$24,999
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$25,000-\$39,999
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$40,000-\$59,999
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$60,000-\$124,999
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$125,000-\$199,999
- \_\_\_\_\_ \$200,000 or more

*Age*

- \_\_\_\_\_ 17 or less
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18-24
- \_\_\_\_\_ 25-44
- \_\_\_\_\_ 45-59
- \_\_\_\_\_ 60-74
- \_\_\_\_\_ over 75

**Thank you for your participation! Please return to your moderator or convener to be mailed to:  
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