



Upcoming Events this Month

- **NEW! Important Updates**

- Stay Alert! Be Aware of the Signs of Human Trafficking
- Responding to the End of Title 42
- Maryland Cannabis Reform
- Water Advocacy Customer Appeals

- **NEW! Funding Opportunities**

- Overdose Prevention Indicators program (**Deadline: August 4, 2023**)
- The Cybersecurity Education and Training Assistance Program (CETAP) (**Now through July 25**)

- **NEW! Webinars, Trainings, & In-Person Events**

- Introduction to finding Grants (**July 11 at 2PM**)
- Public Assistance Resources for Private Non-Profits (**July 12 at 2PM**)
- The Gendered Nature of Climate change (**July 13 at 2PM**)
- Planning for Climate Change Impacts (**July 19 at 11AM**)
- Lifelines, Logistics, and Supply Chain Awareness (**Through September**)
- E0490 Voluntary Agency Coordination in Disasters (**FY23 & FY24 dates**)

- **Partnership & Program Opportunities**

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- Want to Join a Response Team?
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- **Donation Opportunities**

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Traveling This Summer? Be Aware of the Signs of Human Trafficking

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Human trafficking can happen anywhere, but transportation hubs such as airports, bus stations, truck stops, and travel centers are particularly vulnerable. Though the crime doesn't always require a border crossing or act of movement, traffickers often take advantage of America's transportation infrastructure to exploit their victims and hide them in plain sight. Members of the traveling public are in a unique position to recognize and report potential human trafficking situations. If you plan on traveling this summer, be sure to check out the resources offered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Blue Campaign. Your awareness *could* save a life.

[Indicators of Human Trafficking](#)

[Human Trafficking Myths and Misconceptions](#)

[Human Trafficking Truck Stop Animated Video](#)

["Changes" Interactive Course](#)

Responding to the End of Title 42

May 11 was the final day for the Trump and Biden administrations' "Title 42" policy, which overturned the basic right to seek asylum at the U.S.-Mexico border for 38

months. Now, the U.S. government is reverting to immigration law, Title 8. Since December, Abbott's office said Texas had transported over 15,000 people to Washington, New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia. There is anticipation of a new wave of migration at the border, with headlines proclaiming that officials are "bracing for an influx."

In Maryland, we have not witnessed this influx but there is an increased possibility of asylum seekers coming to Maryland seeking shelter and additional services. Please email us at npep.mdem@maryland.gov if your organization is on the receiving end of this possible influx, or have additional information about migrants coming to Maryland.

Maryland Cannabis Reform

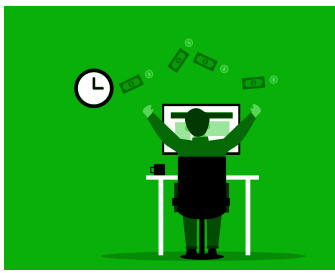
Effective July 1, 2023, the Maryland General Assembly enacted [HB 556](#) and [SB 516](#) which established a regulatory framework for individuals 21+ years old to purchase and possess regulated cannabis and cannabis products in Maryland (*Use [this resource](#) to learn more about the newly passed law*). The Maryland Cannabis Administration (MCA), formerly the Maryland Medical Cannabis Commission (MMCC), has been providing this important information to law enforcement for situational awareness and planning purposes. The MCA has notified law enforcement in anticipation of large volumes of vehicular and pedestrian traffic in and around cannabis dispensaries throughout the State. Law enforcement is on alert for these potential issues and will plan accordingly. The MCA has personnel

deployed throughout the State conducting random regulatory compliance checks at dispensaries throughout the first week of adult-use sales; however, dispensary licensees are advised to contact law enforcement with concerns relating to vehicular or pedestrian traffic, disorderly individuals, and any other concern outside of MCA's regulatory authority. Additional information can be obtained from the MCA webpage located at <https://mmcc.maryland.gov/Pages/home.aspx>. Any specific questions can be directed to: enforcement.mmcc@maryland.gov

Water Advocacy Customer Appeals

The Office of Water Advocacy and Customer Appeals was recently contacted by a non-profit senior center experiencing a water billing issue that is consuming a significant portion of their operations budget. As a result, the office is creating a survey to determine if a class of non-profits would benefit from equitable access to water assistance, whether due to the organization's financial capacity or the size of the water meter.

If your nonprofit organization in Baltimore City is experiencing challenges maintaining their water/wastewater payments, please contact R. Anthony Mills, Active Chief, Baltimore City Department of Public Works at WACA@BaltimoreCity.gov or (443) 984-WACA (9222).



Funding Opportunities

Overdose Prevention Indicators program.

The CDC Foundation is issuing a request for proposals for community-based organizations and local health departments to provide feedback on the ease of collecting data for overdose prevention indicators in the communities they serve. All proposed indicators will be examined with a health equity lens. Applicants can receive awards of up to \$100,000. This award will support participation in a year-long pilot to help inform refinement of overdose prevention indicators and the development of tools for a web-based toolkit. Selected sites will be expected to participate in virtual cohort calls, attend an in-person meeting and share key learnings throughout the project period.

[Application Deadline: Friday, August 4, 5:00 p.m. ET](#)

More information on this funding opportunity and others can be found [here](#)

The Cybersecurity Education and Training Assistance Program

(CETAP)

The Cybersecurity Education and Training Assistance Program (CETAP) is awarding

\$6.8 million to non-profits that seek to implement cybersecurity education and training into K-12 classrooms in all 50 states and U.S. territories. This funding seeks to bring awareness to students about cybersecurity at an early age so that they have the skills, knowledge and excitement needed to pursue a career in cybersecurity. **[Applications are being accepted through July 25, 2023.](#)** Learn more [here](#).



Webinars, Trainings, & In- Person Events

Introduction to finding grants

Gain invaluable insights into what funders are looking for in nonprofits seeking grants by joining our upcoming webinar. This course will equip you with the essential knowledge and skills to navigate the grantseeking landscape and maximize your chances of securing funding.

Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2023

Time: 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm ET

Register: [HERE](#)

You must be logged in to enroll for this training. Account creation and course registration are free

Public Assistance Resources for Private Non-Profits

Public Assistance is a reimbursement program that provides federal funding to help communities respond to and recover from large scale disasters including hurricanes and tropical storms. It reimburses state and local governments and certain types of private nonprofit organizations for the cost of disaster-related debris removal, and/or emergency protective measures to protect life and property. Join the FEMA Voluntary Agency Liaisons and the DHS Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships to learn more about how it works. The webinar will cover:

- How the Public Assistance program supports houses of worship and private non-profits in times of disaster.
- How to apply for Public Assistance grant funding.
- Lessons learned when applying for Public Assistance grant funding.
- Best practices and lessons learned from Public Assistance program representatives and national nonprofit partners.

Date: July 12, 2023

Time: 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM EDT

Register: [HERE](#)

Location: [ZOOM](#) Please use this link to register for the call.

Meeting ID: 161 811 8921

Passcode: VOISE

Closed Captioning ID: 11398

The gendered nature of climate change

Climate change is gendered. It affects women, girls and transgender individuals in ways that men, boys or cisgender people don't experience. Join the Center of Disaster Philanthropy (CDP) to learn more about how climate change inequitably affects women, girls and trans people. Panelists will also share funding opportunities to change the interaction between climate and gender.

Date: July 13, 2023

Time: 2 p.m. ET / 1 p.m. CT

Register: [HERE](#)

Planning for Climate Change Impacts

Communities in FEMA Region 3 are no strangers to the effects of climate change on the frequency and severity of natural disasters. In 2020 alone, 22 disasters brought losses of over \$1 billion across the U.S. During FEMA's webinar, you will learn about how FEMA is planning for climate change, mitigation best practices, and funding opportunities.

Date: July 19, 2023

Time: 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. ET

REGISTER: [HERE](#)

Attendees may be eligible to receive one Continuing Education Credit. Those people must be: Certified Floodplain Managers through the Association of State Floodplain Management; or American Institute of Certified Planners who are certified through the American Planning Association.

Lifelines, Logistics, and Supply Chain Awareness program
Free through September 2023

Are you interested in learning about supply chain resilience? If so, please consider enrolling in the 2023 [Lifelines, Logistics, and Supply Chain Awareness](#) program.

This course will discuss causes behind the loss of core services within our community at times when we are most vulnerable, and how to source the necessary talent and resources to restore services and alleviate suffering right within your community during critical times.

The Workshops are now available in Virtual format! This means you can complete the entire program (Intro + Workshop) from the convenience of your own location.

- a. Register for Virtual Workshop, whose schedule is found here: www.frederick.edu/communitylifelines
 - i. Note that completion of the prerequisite intro course, AWR392, is a requirement, so be sure to register and complete it prior to taking this course (*we can help navigate if you encounter issues*).
 - b. If you prefer an in-person Workshop, email npep.mdem@maryland.gov for information on select locations & dates where they are being held in the US this year.
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E0490 Voluntary Agency Coordination in Disasters

The purpose of this course is to prepare students to coordinate community and voluntary disaster resources, develop and maintain partnerships, establish and maintain communications with partners, the public, and the media, and share information and resources to maximize services to disaster survivors.

Course Dates:

December 4–7, 2023

June 24–27, 2024

Read more about this Training Opportunity [HERE](#).



Partnership and Program Opportunities

If your organization would like to promote its work, post partnership opportunities or, invite NPEP members to your nonprofit event, please email npep.mdem@maryland.gov to have your ad included in this section!

Want to join a NEW response team ?

We believe that the expertise and resources of our NPEP Community Partners could make a significant impact during times of a state emergency and many NPEP Community Partners have reached out to our programs hoping to lend a helping

hand during serious emergency events. Therefore, our team is considering something NEW to help build new support teams during times of disaster! Please email npep.mdem@maryland.gov if your esteemed organization is interested in being part of a response team that is *willing* to provide organizational resources and/or expertise to the State of Maryland in response to an ongoing disaster (*if/when needed*).

We greatly appreciate your organization's NPEP membership and are interested in collaborating in the future. We look forward to the feedback.

Could your project use AmeriCorps NCCC's help?

Do you have a future project that will require more volunteers than you can source? If yes, AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) is a federal, no funds match, national service program that deploys teams of 8 to 10 people aged 18-26 years old across the United States for short-term and high-impact service projects that are critical to the community. NCCC is looking for nonprofits, faith based organizations, government entities, public schools and Native American Tribal Councils interested in hosting a team between August 2023 through May 2024. To learn more, please contact Victoria Lanier at vlanier@cns.gov and 202-355-2014.

Is your organization located in Carroll County and interested in being more engaged during community response efforts? If YES, join the Carroll County COAD!

A COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster) is a local group of community organizations that coordinates emergency human services, while working in concert with partner agencies, including the local emergency management agency and social service agencies, during all stages of a disaster.

Currently, Carroll COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster) is looking for organizations in or around Carroll County, MD who wish to respond to localized disasters. These can be religious, governmental, nongovernmental, or corporate entities. Your organization does not need to be first responders but willing to serve your community. Interested parties may contact Myron Horn at 410-549-0558 or pmpjhorn@gmail.com for additional information.



Donation Opportunities

If your organization is supporting an event in your community and would like to share a donation opportunity please email npep.mdem@maryland.gov.

Donations Made Available

The below items are being donated and are available for pickup. **Please note:** The items are located at 3721 Nicoya Court , Lewis Center, OH and the recipient MUST arrange pick up and transport.

GIKO 1400 FDA 510k Approved N95 Respirator

1 mask per bag; 10 bags per box; 30 boxes per Case

Duckbill style - 29 boxes

=290 masks

GIKO 1200H NIOSH Approved N95 Respirator

20 masks per box; 24 boxes per Case

Cup Style - 1 case and 17 boxes

=820 masks

Please email [us](#) if you are interested

Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)

Our partners at Maryland VOAD respond to disaster events that take place in the State of Maryland and respond to unmet needs that have been reported during the emergency, relief, and long term recovery stages. Over the past months, MDVOAD has responded to, and now completed, support for the COVID-19 response, vaccination centers, and the welcoming of Afghan guests. They are currently

engaged in support of the Eastern Shore Long Term Recovery Committee's long term recovery response in Somerset and Dorchester Counties following the severe Tidal Flooding Event of October 29, 2021. If you know of any person or group who would like to donate to MDVOAD, please refer them to their [website](#) to submit an in-kind or monetary donation. Please contact the Maryland VOAD Treasurer at treasurer@marylandvoad.org to submit a donation via check.



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