

Planning Guidance for Evacuation of the Transportation Needs Populations of Central Ohio

Steering Committee Meeting

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Opening Remarks

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Agenda

- Project Status
- Deliverables to Date
- Schedule
- Public Outreach Program Status
- Kettering Foundation Research Update
- Steering Committee Action Items
- Q&A
- Next Steps

Project Status

- Create 7-county evacuation plan for populations with transportation needs
 - Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Licking, Madison, Pickaway, and Union
- Research project funded by FTA (Federal Transit Administration)
 - Will be model for other U.S. regions
 - Operational locally

Not intended to replace plans

Supplement focusing on populations with transportation needs

Project Status



Phase I – Research and Analysis (Completed)

Phase II – Planning (Completed)

Phase III – Adoption (Began March 19)

Phase IV – Implementation



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Approach

Phase I – Research and Analysis

- Information gathering and gap identification
- Coordinate with Kettering Foundation research



Approach

Phase II – Planning

- Coordination and visioning phase
- Intensive outreach to specific groups
 - Transportation needs populations
 - Emergency and first responders

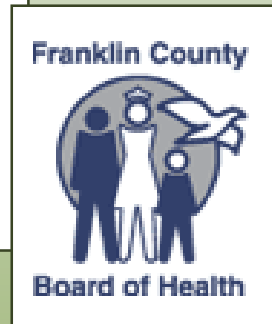


Healthier, Safer People

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Phase III – Adoption

- Consensus building among stakeholders
- Incorporate comments into final plan



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Phase IV – Implementation

- Design signage
- Create reference materials
 - Training manual
 - Educational materials
 - Marketing materials



Planning for Emergencies Booklet

This booklet provides clear information on preparing for

- [Planning for Emergencies](#) (English)
- [Planeación para emergencias](#) (Spanish)
- [Qorsheynta Hawl gal Degdega SaddexTalkaabo oo Diyaar garow ah](#) (Somali)

Family Communications Card

Use this pocket-sized card to keep important information and phone numbers. These cards fit easily into a purse, wallet, or backpack.

- [Family Communications Card](#) (English)
- [Plan de Comunicación Familiar](#) (Spanish)
- [Qorshaha Isgaarsiinta Qoovska](#) (Somali)

Shelter in Place Card

In an emergency it may be dangerous to evacuate if there are harmful agents or materials indoors wherever you are. This is called Shelter-In-Place. The Shelter-in-Place Card provides shelter indoors. It also provides steps to take if you do need to evacuate.

- [Shelter in Place Card](#) (English)
- [Refugio-en-Lugar](#) (Spanish)
- [C-Hooviga diyaarka](#) (Somali)

The screenshot shows the 'Health Information Translations' website interface. At the top, logos for Mount Carmel, Medical Center, OhioHealth, and Nationwide Children's Hospital are displayed. Below the logos is a banner with photos of diverse people. The main heading is 'Health Information Translations' with the tagline 'Quality translations in multiple languages'. There are two search sections: 'Find Translations' with 'Search By Keywords' and 'Search By Languages' (including a dropdown menu and 'ALL LANGUAGES' button), and 'Disaster Preparedness'. At the bottom, it lists funding support from Trinity Health, Mount Carmel Foundation, Columbus Medical Association Foundation, and AMA Foundation.

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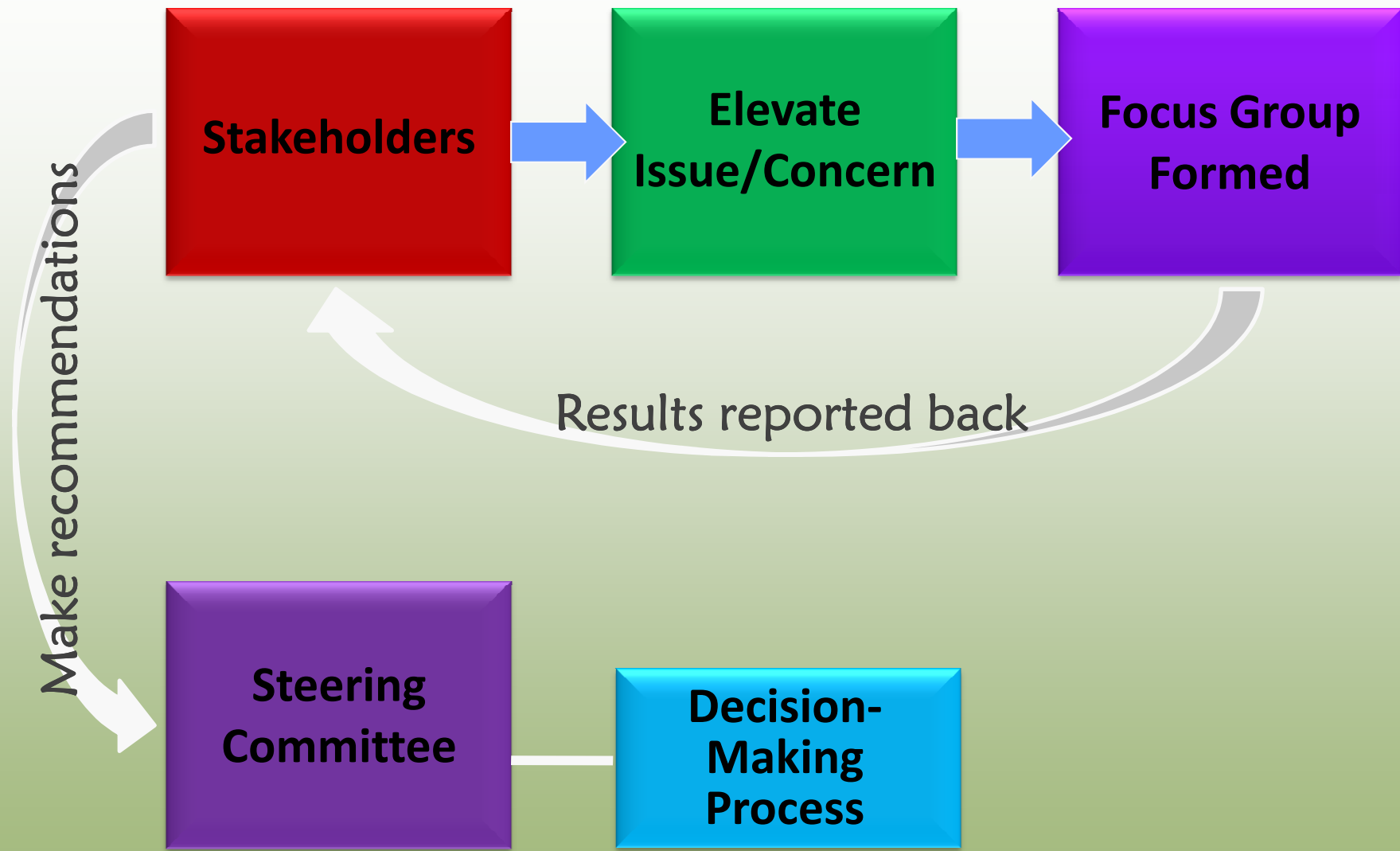


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Potential Stakeholders

- Fire/Police/Sheriff
- EMA
- COTA
- CRAA
- ODOT
- National Guard
- OSU
- COTS
- Media: television stations
- Faith-based organizations
- Rural Metro
- FIRSTLINK
- 211/Volunteer
- Private Sector
 - Nursing Home Assoc
 - MRDD
 - Ohio Community Svc Council

Project Status

■ Deliverables to date:

- Outreach Plan developed /approved (Feb 09)
- Created project stakeholder website (Feb 09)
- Plan Outline (Oct 09)
- Agreement on definition of “transportation needs” (Oct 09)
- Researched & analyzed local plans (Dec 09)
- Finalized Existing Conditions Report (Feb 10)
- Draft Plan (Mar 10)

Project Status

- **Future Activities**
 - Continue GIS mapping transportation needs population in region (that meets project definition)
 - Continue with Public website
 - Incorporate Stakeholder Comments on Plan
 - Signage Graphics/Placement
 - Educational Material
- **Still on schedule to be completed by Sep 2010**
 - Project has multiple deliverables beyond the plan
 - e.g. Existing Conditions Report, Educational Material, etc.

Plan Structure

- In 2007 a regional preparedness/evacuation plan was to begin
 - 7 components of plan were to include Decision Making, Planning, Public Communications, Special Needs, Ops, Sheltering, Training
- Plan was not actually developed
- This Project was to be a continuation & integrated into that effort
- Contract awarded
 - Determine best way to now proceed

Plan Structure

- Designed as Appendix that can supplement existing plans/annexes
- Can be cross referenced (stand alone) or customized/ incorporated into annex at county level (i.e. maps/checklists)
 - Many emergency management plans do not follow common format, e.g.
 - Delaware Co./ City of Columbus structured following SLG/CPG 101
 - Fairfield and Pickaway Counties follow somewhat structured common format
 - Union County & Upper Arlington plans are high level

Existing Conditions Report

■ Process:

- Identified planning initiatives/tools required to meet evacuation needs (best practices)
- Compared in-place plans & resources to best practices
- Enables planners to more accurately evaluate the region's capabilities

■ Matrix:

- Identifies resources/plans needed
- Notes gaps/lack of information
- Provides recommendations

Public Outreach Program

- Define and document public involvement program
 - Living document
 - Schedule identifies review /comment periods
- Plan purpose and goals
 - Inform general public of plan
 - Initially intended for transportation needs populations
 - Identify outreach to transportation needs groups
 - Multi-lingual needs
 - Different physical capabilities
 - Transportation limitations

Kettering Foundation Research Update

Michael Pompili, MSE, RS



Today's Action Items

- GIS Data Call (April 9th)
- EMAs Identify Transfer Pick Up Points (April 12th)
 - Other than Franklin County
- Complete 30 Day Plan Review (April 19th)
 - Comments incorporated by May 3rd
 - Return by May 10th
 - Finalize /Publish May 31st
- Kettering Foundation Forums

Finalize Definition

So far: “Individuals who cannot drive, do not own, or have access to a vehicle and may require transportation support for successful evacuation. This support may include accessible vehicles (e.g., lift-equipped or vehicles suitable for transporting individuals who use oxygen) or information about how and where to access mass transportation during an evacuation.”

FTA’s National Study on Carless and Special Needs Evacuation Planning: A Literature Review

Ohio EOP ESF #6 Mass Care

Functional Needs

The functional needs framework can be effectively applied to the needs of a broad group of people, including people with disabilities, people with serious mental illness, minority groups, non-English speakers, children, the elderly, single working parents, people without vehicles, people with special dietary needs, pregnant women, abandoned children, prisoners, institutionalized persons, people who are homeless, etc.

Ohio EOP ESF #6 Mass Care

Functional needs

Other groups with functional needs include people who are morbidly obese, people on kidney dialysis, and people living in zero-vehicle households. In addition, the residents of nursing homes, “hospitals/wards, hospices, and schools for the handicapped,” correctional institutions, state prisons, halfway houses, etc. have medical or supervision needs that will continue in an emergency.

Plan Approval and Appendix Outline

■ Special Planning

- Transportation and Sheltering Arrangements
- Identification of Required Transportation for Mobility Needs Populations
- Public Communications and Preparedness
- Service Animal Management
- Reentry for the Transportation Needs Assisted Populations
- Coordination of Evacuation of Special Facilities

Plan Approval and Appendix Outline

- GIS Maps and lists, e.g. transfer pickup points
- Emergency Response Checklists
- Paratransit Vehicle Inventory
- Volunteer and Professional Evacuation Labor Support List

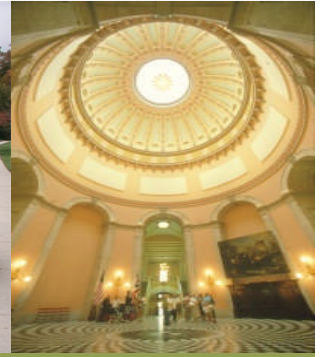
Existing Conditions Report

- Validation of Existing Conditions Report

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Nancy Lyon Stadler, 3/7/2010



Questions ?
Next Steps ...



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