Office of Emergency Preparedness

FY 2013 REPORT SUMMARY

The University of Georgia Office of Emergency Preparedness (OEP) provides a comprehensive homeland security and emergency management program for the University of Georgia in order to save lives, protect property, promote continuity of operations, and reduce the overall effects of large-scale disasters. This annual report reflects major programs, initiatives and training during fiscal year 2013 (July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013).

Major Accomplishments

- Changed the departmental name to the **Office of Emergency Preparedness**, redesigned the website (www.prepare.uga.edu) and utilized students in the College of Journalism and interns to assist with new information resources for the University community
- Used internal resources and expertise to develop an online **Business Continuity Planning Generator System** for departments to use for academic, business and research continuity planning
- Coordinated a request for proposal process for the campus emergency mass notification system (UGA*Alert*)
- Saved the University nearly **\$90,000** using internal resources for departmental website redesign, the business continuity generator, and through the rebidding of the UGA*Alert* system
- Offered a **free emergency app** to the University community that provides abbreviated emergency procedures on your smart phone or iPad

Program Initiatives

- Coordinated **35** new Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) program additions in campus buildings
- Obtained over **\$16,000** in grants and additional funding for the campus CERT program and student emergency guidebooks
- Held two, eight-week UGA CERT training programs which added an additional **31** faculty, staff and students to the 189-member UGA CERT program
- Distributed **1,336** pocket-sized emergency guidebooks for faculty and staff and **7,350** wallet-sized emergency guidebooks for students

Education, Service and Outreach

- Conducted or participated in **23** emergency drills and exercises, including the coordination of the statewide severe weather drill, two full UGA*Alert* tests, and several community exercises
- Provided training to **19,700** faculty, staff, students, and parents through **141** training sessions
- Distributed **22,529** departmental emergency preparedness materials (brochures, newsletters, NOAA radios, etc.) to faculty, staff, students, visitors and parents
- Held **3** Building Safety and Security Representatives "Brown Bag" lunch training sessions on building alert systems, fire safety and severe weather safety. Also, held a 3.5-hour BSSR seminar featuring a computer security update, 911 Center information and various building emergency planning case studies
- Managed the Kassinger Scholarship application process and awarded one **\$750** scholarship to an undergraduate candidate from the UGA Police Department
- Provided technical assistance, training materials and distributed over 62 copies of the USG Plan, Prepare, React Active Shooter video to over **52** requesting higher education institutions, local, state and federal agencies nationwide.