

FY 2015 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 2015 (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015).

Major Accomplishments

- OEP hosted **7 interns** who provided **1,039 total hours** of project assistance.
- Developed an online interactive learning module for students, faculty and staff called "Emergency Preparedness in 10 Minutes"
- Obtained the National Weather Service **Storm Ready Certification** for campus
- OEP participated in over **85 student engagement activities** ranging from hosting interns, participating in the student mentoring program, teaching academic and non-academic classes, conducting media interviews for student journalists, participating in the Grady College of Journalism's Campaign's class project and the coordination of the CERT/MRC programs
- Developed campus emergency evacuation chair guidelines that outline placement, purchasing, inspections, training and maintenance for the 45 existing evacuation chairs in campus buildings (added 11 new chairs to the program)
- Coordinated with various campus partners the request for proposal process and the transition to a new campus emergency mass notification system (UGA*Alert*) vendor

Program Initiatives

- Coordinated **52** new Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) program additions, including the Georgia Center Hotel/Conference Center, all UGA Police patrol vehicles and the UGA Golf Course
- Obtained nearly \$13,000 in grant funding for the campus CERT and MRC programs
- Held three UGA CERT training sessions which added an additional 43 faculty, staff and students to the 256-member UGA CERT program
- The UGA Medical Reserve Corps (MRC), in collaboration with the UGA College of Public Health, added 43 additional members and participated in four training exercises
- Distributed **805** emergency guidebooks for faculty and staff and **4,982** wallet-sized emergency guidebooks for students

Service and Outreach

- Initiated an emergency preparedness survey to **31,000 UGA students** in collaboration with Grady College of Journalism students
- Conducted or participated in **26** emergency drills and exercises on campus and in the community
- Provided training to **20,726** students, faculty, staff and parents through **166** training sessions
- Distributed **19,008** departmental emergency preparedness materials (brochures, newsletters, NOAA radios, emergency posters, etc.) to faculty, staff, students, visitors and parents
- Partnered with the UGA Office of International Education to revise and print **6,000** travel safety resource guidebooks containing preparedness tips, resource information and safety checklists
- Managed the Kassinger Scholarship application process and awarded one \$1,000 scholarship to a graduate candidate from the University of Georgia Police Department