



*The University of Georgia Office of Emergency Preparedness (OEP) provides a comprehensive emergency management program for the University of Georgia 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 2022 (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022).*

### **Major Accomplishments**

- Launched the new UGA Safe mobile safety app in June of 2022 with more than 2,000 downloads during the first month of introducing the new app
- Completed a comprehensive review and update of the Sanford Stadium Venue Emergency Plan and coordinated a vulnerability assessment and other technical services performed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Assisted the University System Office by coordinating a PPE distribution center at a UGA warehouse facility to distribute thousands of PPE items to help institutions prepare for the fall 2021 semester.
- Filed for Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) reimbursement for the UGA COVID-19 vaccination site expenses and received \$120,000 of federal grant funding

### **Program Initiatives**

- Provided 5 LifeSaver awards to UGA employees for their response efforts in assisting with two separate medical emergencies on campus
- Established a new collaboration with UGA College of Public Health Disaster Dawgs student organization to promote emergency preparedness by hosting a monthly lunch and learn series.
- Completed the updates to the UGA Athletic Association's Stegeman Coliseum, Equestrian Complex, and Spec Towns Track venue emergency action plans

### **Service and Outreach**

- Conducted or participated in 24 emergency drills and exercises on campus and in the community
- UGA CERT added **32 new members** trained in the Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 classes.
- Hosted a three-day FEMA/DHS sponsored crisis communication and emergency planning class for UGA and several other University System of Georgia institutions
- OEP staff participated in over 20 campus, community and regional boards and committees
- Distributed over **400** faculty/staff **emergency guidebooks** based on requests by departments
- OEP and UGA Police completed comprehensive safety and security assessments for the University Health Center and for the South Thomas Street Art Complex
- Provided training to over **7,832** students, faculty, staff, and parents through **167** training sessions
- Conducted **25** CPR/AED certification classes and **28** bleeding control classes resulting in nearly 600 trained campus volunteers
- Assisted other institutions of higher education with technical assistance and through the sharing of UGA resources, templates and policies, including Texas A&M University, United States Department of Education, Mississippi State University, Georgia State University, Kennesaw State University, Penn State University, Columbus State University, New York State Department of Labor, Auburn University, University of Maryland, University of North Georgia and the Georgia Trauma Commission