



North Central Texas
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NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS COMMUNITY RESILIENCY PROJECT

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Introduction

The North Central Texas Community Resilience Project was implemented to strengthen the 16 county North Central Texas Council of Governments region's ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters. The project includes a whole community approach to emergency planning and collaboration. By engaging directly with communities, gathering valuable data, strengthening partnerships, sharing resources, and highlighting best practices, the project lays the groundwork for a safer and more resilient North Central Texas.

Building Partnerships - Large & Small

- Lions Club, Rotary Club, agriculture clubs, HOAs and religious groups
- Schools: ISDs, safety committees, youth groups, ROTC
- CERT teams (some are regional or in need of support)
- COADs, VOADs, Fire/Police outreach teams
- Non-English-speaking leaders (Laotian, Korean, Vietnamese, Spanish, etc.)
- Community centers, nursing homes, and faith-based organizations
- Large district/regional partnerships

Girl Scouts - Creating preparedness training, programs, and exercise material for new readiness program



Identified Preparedness Gaps

- General lack of public education and awareness about emergency management and hazards
- Language access and bilingual personnel for outreach
- Geographic size
- Lack of formal preparedness education in residents and employees
- Low community turnout
- Rural vs. urban needs differ (e.g., access, connectivity, messaging)
- Lack of EM personnel & dedicated social media staff

Project



Figure 1: Project timeline and goals for the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) area.

Bridging the Gaps

- Creating preparedness material and making it customizable and shareable
- Developing a new Regional Resiliency Website and enhancements to current KnoWhat2Do website
- Making use of current AI and other translation services
- Enhancing traditional communication (flyers, libraries, shopping areas, senior centers, etc..)
- 4 Regional Catastrophic Grant Team personnel enhance local emergency management capacity by helping with community events and being a force multiplier
- Helping establish community relationships
- Developing and conducting training training to the community such as CPR, Stop the Bleed, Fire Extinguisher, etc



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Educational Handout Examples