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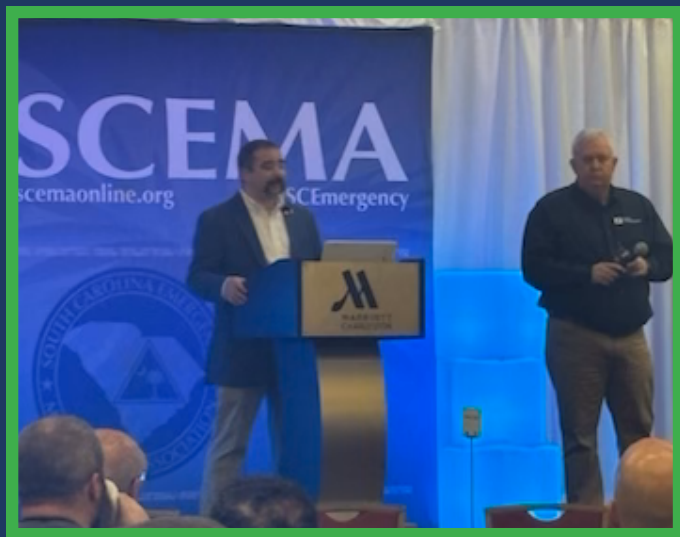
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South Carolina Emergency Management Association Meets for Annual Conference

Emergency managers from around the state met at the annual conference in Charleston last month. The conference brought together a network of emergency managers to connect with peers from across the state. Attendees were able to discuss lessons learned from disasters, share best practices, and exchange valuable information with one another.



Conference attendees heard from three Greenville County Emergency Management staff members at this year's conference. Pierce Womack, Interim Director, spoke about Hurricane Helene and lessons learned. Pierce was joined by Al Willimon from Safe Industries, a private partner who assisted Greenville County with logistical needs during and after Helene's impact.

Also speaking were Michael Jankowski and Angela Perry, Emergency Planning Coordinators, about the all new Emergency Operations Plan. This new plan includes a new concept in Emergency Planning that brings together the Incident Command System, Emergency Support Functions, and Community Lifelines.



Former Director Jessica Stumpf was awarded the South Carolina Military Department Meritorious Service Medal by South Carolina Emergency Management Division Director Kim Stenson. This award honors Jessica's service during her career in Emergency Management, including leadership and guidance to Greenville County in the wake of Hurricane Helene.



Additionally, Jessica was sworn in as the SCEMA President for 2025 - 2027.

Congratulations, Jessica Stumpf, for your recognition, and thank you for your service!



During the SCEMA President's Reception, Emergency Management Mascots from Greenville County, Horry County, and Florence County participated in "Mascot Games". Greenville's Marty the Mitigation Moose came in second place at the event. The Mascot Games were designed to showcase emergency management as "One Team", the theme of this year's conference.



SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS



Spring is here, and with the warmer weather, the threat of **SEVERE WEATHER** is here as well. **Know what to do!**



Prepare Your Home: Keep trees and branches trimmed near your house. If you have time before severe weather hits, secure loose objects, close windows, and doors, and move any valuable objects inside or under a sturdy structure.



Make a Plan: Create an emergency plan so your whole family knows what to do in the event of an emergency. Be sure to add **COMMUNICATIONS** to your plan with phone numbers for everyone, and practice your plan often.



Build a Kit: Having an emergency kit on hand with all the necessary supplies you may need in the event you can't get food, water, or other essentials. Be sure to include batteries, medications, and important paperwork such as insurance information, contact information, and photos of your property.



Stay Informed: Listen to local news or weather before, during, and after severe weather. Have a weather radio on hand and be sure to sign up for CodeRed, Greenville County's Emergency Notification System.

GET MORE PLANNING TIPS AT:

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SPRING TRAINING IS HERE



Are you ready to **GET INVOLVED** in your community?

The Greenville County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) SPRING TRAINING is now open and ready to teach you how to prepare for emergencies and respond when disaster strikes!

TRAINING INCLUDES

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS - SEARCH AND RESCUE
LIGHT FIRE SUPPRESSION - TEAM ORGANIZATION
FIRST AID - DISASTER PSYCHOLOGY

HYBRID TRAINING FORMAT

CERT training is conducted with 8 online lessons followed by in-person training designed to test practical skills and conduct a final exam/exercise.

Training is at **NO COST** to the community!

Registration is now open!

Visit www.GCEOC.com/CERT to register.



Greenville County Special Operations Team Training



The Greenville County Special Operations Team recently participated in two important trainings.

The first of the training classes focused on Incident documentation and using Incident Command System (ICS) Forms. The ICS forms are designed to assist first responders in documenting actions they will need to focus on during the incident to ensure all of the objectives to stabilize the situation are completed and maintain accountability for on scene responders.



Emergency responders also participated in SARCOP training, SARCOP is a platform used by federal, state and local first responders for mapping and management response operations. Greenville County responders use this program when responding to incidents of various sizes, it has been used during natural disaster responses, search and rescue missions, assisting with locating missing and endangered persons and preliminary damage assessment. Incident command also uses SARCOP for responder accountability and visibility. Most recently SARCOP was utilized by Greenville County responders and those providing mutual aid during the response phase of Helene.



TRAINING SPOTLIGHT

Course Name: Traffic Incident Management Training (TIM)
When: April 9, 2025
Time: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
Location: Greenville County Emergency Management-225 S Pleasantburg Dr. Greenville, SC 29607
[Register Here](#)

Course Name: Disaster Assistance Workshop (DAW)
When: April 25, 2025
Time: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Location: Greenville County Emergency Management-225 S Pleasantburg Dr. Greenville, SC 29607
[Register Here](#)

Course Name: Damage Assessment Training (DAT)
When: April 25, 2025
Time: 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Location: Greenville County Emergency Management-225 S Pleasantburg Dr. Greenville, SC 29607
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Course Name: Advanced (ICS-400)
When: May 7-8, 2025
Time: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Location: Greenville County Emergency Management-225 S Pleasantburg Dr. Greenville, SC 29607
[Register Here](#)

Course Name: EOC Operations and Planning (MGT-346)
When: May 13-14, 2025
Time: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Location: Greenville County Emergency Management-225 S Pleasantburg Dr. Greenville, SC 29607
[Register Here](#)



Need to register for a training?

Greenville County Emergency Management Training: [Training & Exercises Calendar](#)
South Carolina Emergency Management Division Training: [Training Registration System](#).