

Homeland Security-Emergency Management

Center of Excellence January 2017 News

2016-17 WORK PLAN ACTIVITIES TO ADDRESS FOCUS AREAS OF INDUSTRY SECTOR STRATEGY, EDUCATION, INNOVATION, EFFICIENCY & SUPPLY AND DEMAND



Center staff attended the PNWER's Center for Disaster Resilience Networking Event held on January 26, in Seattle with over 100 other participants. This event brings together public and private sector emergency management and business continuity professionals who work in the Puget Sound Region. Center/HSEM Advisory Board Members Chris Johnson, Kathy Woods and Jennifer Lord attended along with Darren Linker who is the Program Coordinator for the Occupational Safety and Health Program. The Center continues to recruit private sector members for our Advisory Board and Gabe Marcus with COSTCO discussed with us his interest in becoming an Advisory Board Member. He provides corporate support for their emergency response programs. Gabe will be joining the Board at our next meeting in February. Shared information on the Pierce College new BAS HSEM degree program.

Occupational Safety and Health *Washington Career Pathway*

The Center is working with the OSH program on an Employer Engagement Survey. The OSH Discussion Guide has been drafted and staff meet with Darren Linker, Edmonds & Pierce Colleges Coordinator of OSH program, to edit OSH Employer Engagement discussion guide and design process for conducting OSH Employer Engagement discussions with hiring managers. The discussion pointed to the fact that the OSH programs currently have an Advisory Board so many of the questions in the discussion guide are already addressed by the Advisory Board. Next step will be to set up a meeting with the Pierce College and Edmond's Deans that oversee the OSH program to determine if there are particular data points that could be gained through an OSH Employer Engagement study. Darren has asked for assistance from the Center designing the new OSH Apprenticeship program marketing materials. Discussions were also held on how the Center can support placing interns from the Edmonds Emergency Management and Business Continuity AAS-T degree.



Anita Janus the Center's Eastern Washington liaison met with Ahmad Bennett, Coordinator for the Center of Excellence for Veteran Student Success at Lake Washington Institute of Technology for over four (4) hours to discuss PLA and veterans program. Anita presented at the PLA conference in Seattle last fall and Ahmad had asked to meet with her to discuss Veterans issues related to PLA and all-hazard emergency management career pathways.

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The Center is working with the US Department of Labor's Women's Bureau which has launched a web page called [Women Build, Protect, and Move America](#). They support women in law enforcement and those who are interested in pursuing the law enforcement & public safety careers. The Center staff will be meeting with the regional administrator, Betty Lock, and Hari Chon the Program Analyst to discuss opportunities to and informing CJ programs of the CJ Career Fair being held by the Department in Bellevue on February 4.



Rural Enterprise Development Grant

The Center is serving as a sub-contractor for the Rural Enterprise Development Grant to support Global Trade/Supply Chain Center and the Workforce Board. Sara Hemphill is serving as the Project Specialist working with the Centers for HSEM and Global Trade/Supply Chain along with other selected COE's and their respective community colleges will inventory relevant existing courses and determine the capacity to add or develop courses as needed and as determined by the business survey for the agriculture manufacturing industries. After a quarterly presentation to the USDA on Tuesday, January 31, Mike Brennan and the workgroup has asked that we research not only the food-related online/hybrid courses within our CTC system, but also the other areas listed on the survey assessment. Sara has developed a new collection tool that helps to capture course profiles and has expanded the focus of the research.

Community/College Resilience



The Center provided and information Campus Safety, Security at Spokane and Olympic



technical assistance requested by the & EM professionals Colleges regarding

the emergency/disaster federal and state statutory requirements and the national college accreditation requirements for colleges to have emergency/disaster plans. The Center's website [Campus Safety and Emergency Management](#) that provides important up-to-date materials and resources that will help a college/school respond in case of an emergency.



The Emergency Preparedness Coordinator for Providence's SW WA Service Area contacted the Center requesting assistance to identify resources that would assist the organization to train its 30 medical clinic's practice managers to plan active intruder/shooter exercises for their clinics and evaluate the exercises. Jim Baylor, Center Senior Fellow, met with Jon Kovark and provided him with training tools including power points and manuals that would allow Providence to design and complete their own training of trainers program for staff.



The Center's Director has served for six years as a Board Members for Washington State's 2-1-1 and served as the Planning Committee Chair for the 10 Year Anniversary Celebration held at the Governor's Mansion on January 31. Over 130 people joined the Board and Call Center staff and volunteers in celebrating and Barb Graff the

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Director of the Seattle Office of Emergency Management was recognized as the WIN 211 Legacy Award Recipient. Barb served as the Chair of the State Board during the economic downturn of the past 8 years. During times of crisis or disasters 211 is designated by WA Emergency Management to provide disaster recovery assistance. During 2014 Oso mudslide and the 2015 Central WA wildfires, Eastern WA Wind Storms and Seattle Ride the Duck crash, 211 provided information and resources and a central contact point for emergency responders, volunteers and donations.

Upcoming Events



WEC Presentation – COE Grants and Technical Assistance

At the winter WEC meeting February 9-10, at Olympic College the Center's will be presenting on private and public grant funding and types of ROI's the SBCTC system receives.

Our Center also completed a report on our 2016 "**Education, Training and Exercise Consultation/Technical Assistance 2016 brief**" which is available on our website in our at [Special Reports](#). The Center's ROI for 2016 for these activities was \$66,000.

MANAGING CRITICAL INCIDENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS:

A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY, COMMUNITY APPROACH MGT-361

The Center and Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service will be offering the MGT-361, Managing Critical Incidents for Higher Education Institutions February 13-15, at Olympic College, Bremerton WA for 30 participants. There is no fee to attend this course (ROI \$30,000 FEMA Grant Funding). This course is opportunity for Emergency Operation Center (EOC) members, department heads and first responders in the community to work together. This course provides participants with a forum to address emergency preparedness, prevention, protection, mitigation, response, and recovery related to critical incidents affecting your institution. You will learn to manage a critical incident by applying an all-hazards, multi-disciplinary, community approach based on the National Incident Management System's (NIMS) Incident Command System (ICS) and Multi-Agency Coordination Systems. The course combines lecture and team activities and culminates with an instructor-led, role-play exercise.

2017 COE Schedule of Events

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February 13-15	TEEX Managing Critical Incidents for Higher Education, Olympic College
February 21	HSEM Advisory Board Meeting – Location TBA; 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
March 21-22	Public Safety Technology Symposium Clover Park and CJ DACUM Pierce College
March 29	SBCTC Site Review for the CoE-HSEM Pierce College FS
April 4-5	TEEX Health Care Disaster Preparedness Management Training Sponsored by Allied Health/HSEM COE at Yakima Valley College
April 17-20	Partners in Emergency Preparedness Conference – Tacoma Convention Center
April 26	Securing the Supply Chain Forum sponsored by Global Trade/HSEM Centers of Excellence at Highline College
May TBA	Women in Leadership Networking Event– Location, Date, and Time TBA
May 9	Advisory Board Meeting – Location TBA; 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
June-July	Women in Leadership Networking Event– Location, Date, and Time TBA
July	PNWER – Public Private Partnership Workshop at Portland Conference
September	WSEMA Conference – Location and Dates TBA
October	Women in Leadership Forum – Location TBA; 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
October	Advisory Board Meeting – Location TBA; 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.