



### MGT-405 Mobilizing Faith-Based Community Organizations in Preparing for Disasters

#### Description:

This planning and management-level course trains FBCO representatives, management-level emergency managers, and first responders from rural and small communities to strategically mobilize and engage members of faith-based community organizations, including religious charities, nonprofits such as the Salvation Army, the American Red Cross, churches, temples, synagogues, mosques, and NGOs etc., in a reciprocal approach to disaster planning that is integrated into current local and statewide emergency management efforts.

This course emphasizes grassroots mobilization and coordination efforts as a means of engaging all faith communities, thereby reaching those marginalized communities most vulnerable to disaster, most frequently excluded from the planning process, and ultimately, most difficult to aid in recovery. This course introduces vital emergency management concepts to FBCO leaders, and also seeks to educate emergency managers and first responders about the critical role FBCOs can play in strengthening preparedness.

#### Course Objectives:

- Describe the significant role faith-based community organizations have played during and after major emergencies and disasters.
- Describe the federal, state, county, and local emergency system. Students will be able to differentiate the responsibilities and authority of each level of government and non-governmental organizations as well as the components of emergency management and other significant emergency-related terminology.
- Understand of the process for developing a local emergency plan, the elements of a comprehensive county emergency plan, and a plan for FBCO engagement/inclusion.
- Identify barriers and begin the process of identifying solutions in the partnership between FBCOs and emergency management, explore how FBCO assets can fill emergency planning gaps or unmet needs, and engage participants in creating agreements that formalize FBCO partnerships with government and other NGOs.
- Analyze the role FBCO leadership plays in preparedness, apply social networking techniques to prepare members for disaster, coordinate social networking with local officials, and complete an emergency plan checklist that can be utilized by FBCOs during the planning process.

#### Prerequisites:

IS-100.b – Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS)

You must be a US Citizen to take this course. **If you are not please let us know by email for further instruction at [OEM.TRAINING@DHSES.NY.GOV](mailto:OEM.TRAINING@DHSES.NY.GOV)**

All participants must have a FEMA Student Identification (FEMA SID) number. Students can search for their existing/create a new FEMA SID at: <https://cdp.dhs.gov/femasid/>.

**Length: 8 Hours**

#### Target Audience:

- **Emergency Management**
- **Governmental Administrative**
- **Citizen/Community Volunteer**
- **Other**

#### Cost:

There is no fee for the course. Other cost considerations are detailed in each LMS course offering.

#### Signup Details:

Register through the New York State DHSES Learning Management System. Access the LMS through the link on the calendar webpage.