National Preparedness Goal – Mission Areas and Core Capabilities

This section of the Ohio Plan Development and Review Guidance document provides access to tools for a jurisdiction to assess and develop plans, resources and capabilities according to, and in response to the expectations of FEMA’s five Mission Areas and 32 Core Capabilities.

The National Preparedness Goal identifies five mission areas and 32 core capabilities intended to assist everyone who has a role in achieving all of the elements in the Goal.

The Five Mission Areas

Prevention – Prevent, avoid or stop an imminent, threatened or actual act of terrorism.

Protection – Protect our citizens, residents, visitors, and assets against the greatest threats and hazards in a manner that allows our interests, aspirations and way of life to thrive.

Mitigation – Reduce the loss of life and property by lessening the impact of future disasters.

Response – Respond quickly to save lives, protect property and the environment, and meet basic human needs in the aftermath of a catastrophic incident.

Recovery – Recover through a focus on the timely restoration, strengthening and revitalization of infrastructure, housing and a sustainable economy, as well as the health, social, cultural, historic and environmental fabric of communities affected by a catastrophic incident.

The 32 Core Capabilities

The core capabilities, established in the National Preparedness Goal, are referenced in many national preparedness efforts, including the National Planning Frameworks. The National Preparedness Goal groups the Core Capabilities across the relevant five mission areas. Some core capabilities fall within a single mission area, while others apply to multiple or all mission areas.

FEMA’s Core Capability Development Sheets include tools to build or sustain capabilities and to close a jurisdiction’s identified gaps, including: training courses, planning partners, validation support and more.

Clicking on the individual Core Capability headers in the information, below, will link to Ohio EMA’s Core Capability Guides. This section also includes text boxes for the insertion of text related to how a jurisdiction addresses and responds to the individual Core Capabilities. The Core Capability Guides are also used in the local jurisdiction THIRA/HIRA response and reporting process.
**Planning**

Mission Areas: All

Conduct a systematic process engaging the whole community as appropriate in the development of executable strategic, operational, and/or tactical-level approaches to meet defined objectives.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Planning Core Capability**

**Public Information and Warning**

Mission Areas: All

Deliver coordinated, prompt, reliable, and actionable information to the whole community through the use of clear, consistent, accessible, and culturally and linguistically appropriate methods to effectively relay information regarding any threat or hazard, as well as the actions being taken and the assistance being made available, as appropriate.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Public Information and Warning Core Capability**

**Operational Coordination**

Mission Areas: All

Establish and maintain a unified and coordinated operational structure and process that appropriately integrates all critical stakeholders and supports the execution of core capabilities.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Operational Coordination Core Capability**

**Forensics and Attribution**

Mission Area: Prevention

Conduct forensic analysis and attribute terrorist acts (including the means and methods of terrorism) to their source, to include forensic analysis as well as attribution for an attack and for
the preparation for an attack in an effort to prevent initial or follow-on acts and/or swiftly develop counter-options.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Forensics and Attribution Core Capability**

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**Intelligence and Information Sharing**

Mission Areas: Prevention, Protection

Provide timely, accurate, and actionable information resulting from the planning, direction, collection, exploitation, processing, analysis, production, dissemination, evaluation, and feedback of available information concerning physical and cyber threats to the United States, its people, property, or interests; the development, proliferation, or use of WMDs; or any other matter bearing on U.S. national or homeland security by local, state, tribal, territorial, federal, and other stakeholders. Information sharing is the ability to exchange intelligence, information, data, or knowledge among government or private sector entities, as appropriate.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Intelligence and Information Sharing Core Capability**

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**Interdiction and Disruption**

Mission Areas: Prevention, Protection

Delay, divert, intercept, halt, apprehend, or secure threats and/or hazards.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the interdiction and Disruption Core Capability**

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**Screening, Search and Detection**

Mission Areas: Prevention, Protection

Identify, discover, or locate threats and/or hazards through active and passive surveillance and search procedures. This may include the use of systematic examinations and assessments, bio surveillance, sensor technologies, or physical investigation and intelligence.
How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Screening, Search and Detection Core Capability

**Access Control and Identity Verification**

Mission Area: Protection

Apply and support necessary physical, technological, and cyber measures to control admittance to critical locations and systems.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Access Control and Identity Verification Core Capability

**Physical Protective Measures**

Mission Area: Protection

Implement and maintain risk-informed countermeasures, and policies protecting people, borders, structures, materials, products, and systems associated with key operational activities and critical infrastructure sectors.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Physical Protective Measures Core Capability

**Cybersecurity**

Mission Area: Protection

Protect (and if needed, restore) electronic communications systems, information, and services from damage, unauthorized use, and exploitation.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Cybersecurity Core Capability
Supply Chain Integrity and Security

Mission Area: Protection

Strengthen the security and resilience of the supply chain.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the supply Chain Integrity and Security Core Capability

Risk Management for Protection Programs and Activities

Mission Area: Protection

Identify, assess, and prioritize risks to inform Protection activities, countermeasures, and investments.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Risk Management for Protection Programs and Activities Core Capability

Risk and Disaster Resilience Assessment

Mission Area: Mitigation

Assess risk and disaster resilience so that decision makers, responders, and community members can take informed action to reduce their entity's risk and increase their resilience.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Risk and Disaster Resilience Assessment Core Capability
Community Resilience

Mission Area: Mitigation

Enable the recognition, understanding, communication of, and planning for risk and empower individuals and communities to make informed risk management decisions necessary to adapt to, withstand, and quickly recover from future incidents.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Community Resilience Core Capability

Long-term Vulnerability Reduction

Mission Area: Mitigation

Build and sustain resilient systems, communities, and critical infrastructure and key resources lifelines so as to reduce their vulnerability to natural, technological, and human-caused threats and hazards by lessening the likelihood, severity, and duration of the adverse consequences.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Long-term Vulnerability Reduction Core Capability

Threats and Hazards Identification

Mission Area: Mitigation

Identify the threats and hazards that occur in the geographic area; determine the frequency and magnitude; and incorporate this into analysis and planning processes so as to clearly understand the needs of a community or entity.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Threats and Hazards Identification Core Capability
**Environmental Response/Health and Safety**

Mission Area: Response

Conduct appropriate measures to ensure the protection of the health and safety of the public and workers, as well as the environment, from all-hazards in support of responder operations and the affected communities.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Environmental Response/Health and Safety Core Capability**

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**Critical Transportation**

Mission Area: Response

Provide transportation (including infrastructure access and accessible transportation services) for response priority objectives, including the evacuation of people and animals, and the delivery of vital response personnel, equipment, and services into the affected areas.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Critical Transportation Core Capability**

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**Situational Assessment**

Mission Area: Response

Provide all decision makers with decision-relevant information regarding the nature and extent of the hazard, any cascading effects, and the status of the response.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Situational Assessment Core Capability**

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**Fatality Management Services**

Mission Area: Response

Provide fatality management services, including decedent remains recovery and victim identification, working with local, state, tribal, territorial, insular area, and federal authorities to
provide mortuary processes, temporary storage or permanent internment solutions, sharing information with mass care services for the purpose of reunifying family members and caregivers with missing persons/remains, and providing counseling to the bereaved.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Fatality Management Services Core Capability**

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**Fire Management and Suppression**

Mission Area: Response

Provide structural, wildland, and specialized firefighting capabilities to manage and suppress fires of all types, kinds, and complexities while protecting the lives, property, and the environment in the affected area.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Fire Management and Suppression Core Capability**

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**Infrastructure Systems**

Mission Area: Response, Recovery

Stabilize critical infrastructure functions, minimize health and safety threats, and efficiently restore and revitalize systems and services to support a viable, resilient community.

**How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Infrastructure Systems Core Capability**

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**Logistics and Supply Chain Management**

Mission Area: Response

Deliver essential commodities, equipment, and services in support of impacted communities and survivors, to include emergency power and fuel support, as well as the coordination of access to community staples. Synchronize logistics capabilities and enable the restoration of impacted supply chains.
How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Logistics and Supply Chain Management Core Capability

Mass Care Services
Mission Area: Response
Provide life-sustaining and human services to the affected population, to include hydration, feeding, sheltering, temporary housing, evacuee support, reunification, and distribution of emergency supplies.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Mass Care Services Core Capability

Mass Search and Rescue Operations
Mission Area: Response
Deliver traditional and atypical search and rescue capabilities, including personnel, services, animals, and assets to survivors in need, with the goal of saving the greatest number of endangered lives in the shortest time possible.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Mass Search and Rescue Operations Core Capability

On-Scene Security, Protection and Law Enforcement
Mission Area: Response
Ensure a safe and secure environment through law enforcement and related security and protection operations for people and communities located within affected areas and also for response personnel engaged in lifesaving and life-sustaining operations.
How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the On-scene Security, Protection and Law Enforcement Core Capability

Operational Communications
Mission Area: Response
Ensure the capacity for timely communications in support of security, situational awareness, and operations by any and all means available, among and between affected communities in the impact area and all response forces.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Operational Communications Core Capability

Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services
Mission Area: Response
Provide lifesaving medical treatment via Emergency Medical Services and related operations and avoid additional disease and injury by providing targeted public health, medical, and behavioral health support, and products to all affected populations.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Public Health, Healthcare, and Emergency Medical Services Core Capability

Health and Social Services
Mission Area: Recovery
Restore and improve health and social services capabilities and networks to promote the resilience, independence, health (including behavioral health), and well-being of the whole community.
How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Health and Social Services Core Capability

Economic Recovery
Mission Area: Recovery
Return economic and business activities (including food and agriculture) to a healthy state and develop new business and employment opportunities that result in an economically viable community.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Economic Recovery Core Capability

Natural and Cultural Resources
Mission Area: Recovery
Protect natural and cultural resources and historic properties through appropriate planning, mitigation, response, and recovery actions to preserve, conserve, rehabilitate, and restore them consistent with post-disaster community priorities and best practices and in compliance with applicable environmental and historic preservation laws and executive orders.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Natural and Cultural Resources Core Capability

Housing
Mission Area: Recovery
Implement housing solutions that effectively support the needs of the whole community and contribute to its sustainability and resilience.

How our jurisdiction addresses and responds to the Housing Core Capability