Models for Building Local Response Networks

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Considering joint response efforts
Cooperative Disaster Planning

- Saving Money
- Resource Utilization
- Service Resumption Issues
- Group Education and Information
- Insurance Issues
- Recovery Planning
- Technical Issues

Saving Money Through Cooperative Planning

- Group Training and Consulting
- Central Supply Caches
- Consortial Contracts with Recovery Vendors
- Consortial Insurance Contracts
Better Resource Utilization

• Greater Number of Trained Responders
• Familiarity with Institutions in Consortia
• Utilizing Strengths of Each Staff
• Larger Community Volunteer Base

Service Resumption Issues

• Reciprocal Borrowing
• Computer Hot Sites
• Interlibrary Loan Fulfillment
• Donation Processing Centers
Group Education and Information

- Shared Disaster Plans
- Shared Building/Floor Plans
- Familiarizing Staff and Physical Plant
- Baseline Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Training
- Annual Disaster Plan Update/Practice
- Recovery Vendor Presentations

Education

- Show & Tell
- Speakers & Events
- Group Training
- Tabletop exercises
- Community Wide Simulations
Possible Training Sessions

- First Aid
- Service Resumption Issues
- Insurance
- Recovery Techniques
- Incident Command Structure

Insurance Issues

- Consortial Policies and Buying Power
- Collection Valuation
- Identification of High-Probability Risks
Recovery Planning

- Local Efforts
- The First 48 Hours
- Business Resumption
- Long-Term Recovery

Technical Issues

- Review of Safety Systems
- Archiving of Digital Data and Electronic Resources/Records
- Computer Hot Sites
Mutual Aid Agreements

- Written Document
- Defines Response
- Administration Support
- Exit Clause

Memorandum of Agreement Info

SILDRN
- Member participation
- Member fees to pay for supplies
- Disaster assistance
Supply Caches

- Centralized Supplies for an Individual Institution or for Joint Use in a Regional Disaster
- Supplies for Your Agency

Disaster Response Supplies

Mutual Aid Agreement Models

- San Diego (SILDRN): https://sites.google.com/site/sildrn/sildrn/mutual-aid-agreement-1
- Seattle (SHERN): http://www.heritagepreservation.org/AfR/Seattle/News.html
Philadelphia Alliance for Response

- Began with large Forum in June 2007
- OEM modified their Business Planning and Response workshops specifically for cultural institutions
- Text-alert system grows from 11 cultural institution representatives to over 100
- OEM working to locate cultural institutions on City GPS system
- Credentialing for site re-entry is a future project

Pittsburgh Alliance for Response

- Began in June 2008; initial Forum meeting had strong corporate and community support
- Regular elections for Chair and Committee Heads
- Strong focus on education:
  - Tabletop exercises
  - Insurance, Mold Remediation presentations
  - Half-day workshop on Fire Protection Systems
  - Institutional site visits with survey report outcomes
  - Winterizing Your Collections discussion*
- Received NEH Preservation Assistance Grant to develop cooperative disaster supply cache
Setting Up Your Network

• Who to include?
  • Define your area
  • What is already happening in your area?
  • Who to invite to the table?

How do you get others involved?

• Recruit
  • Part of the job description
  • Allow for training opportunities
Places to Start

- Form a leadership committee
- Define your mission
- Get everyone working on their own institutional (and individual) preparedness
- Communication pathways

Cooperative Disaster Planning – Needs

- Point Person at Each Institution
- Sharing of Disaster Plans
- Consulting and Training Activities
- Central Supply Cache – Identify Host
- Consortial Vendor & Insurance Contracts
Cooperative Action Steps

- Review of Plans and Risks
- Disaster Assessment Surveys – Buildings, Collections, Staff & Patrons
- Consortial/Joint Plan
- Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Training Models
- Establish Response Team

Cooperative Action Steps, cont.

- Recovery Vendor Presentations
- Insurance Issue Discussions
- Develop Technical Response
- Mutual Aid Agreement
- Meet 2-3 times annually?
Funding for Your Network

• Response Network
• Supply Cache
• Disaster Response

Funding Sources

• Dues?
• Outside Sources:
  • NEH
  • FEMA
  • IMLS/LSTA
  • NCPTT
  • NEA/Arts Councils
  • NHRPC/SHRAB
  • Private Funders
A Grant to Assist in Planning

- National Endowment for the Humanities – Preservation Assistance Grants
- Up to $6,000 for preservation consulting, education, and supplies/equipment
- Preservation Site Survey projects including Disaster Risk Assessments and Disaster Plan Development; Pittsburgh used funding for Disaster Cache
- 2016 Deadline: May 3 (early May each year)
- Information at www.neh.gov

Sustaining your network

- Rotate responsibility
- Set limits for positions
- Require representation from each participating agency
- Make it interesting!
Activities to sustain your network

• Meet at Supply Cache
• Training for Members
• Recruitment tool
• PR mechanism
• Site Visits
• Happy Hour

Resources for Disaster Preparedness

• Foundation of the American Institute for the Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works (AFR and NHR): http://www.conservation-us.org/emergencies -- Jessica Unger, junger@conservation-us.org, 202-661-8069
• Heritage Emergency National Task Force: Lori Foley, Administrator, FEMA/Smithsonian, lori.foley@fema.dhs.gov, 202.826.6303
• LYRASIS: 800.999.8558 or www.lyrasis.org
• CCAHA: 215.545.0613 or www.ccaha.org
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