

County Executive
of
Howard County, Maryland

Executive Order: 2015-07
Dated: June 9, 2015
Subject: Howard County Emergency
Operations Plan

WHEREAS, the primary role of government is to provide for the welfare of its citizens, and the welfare and safety of citizens is never more threatened than during disasters; and

WHEREAS, the goal of emergency management is to ensure that mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery actions exist so that public welfare and safety is preserved; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 17.109(c)(1) Howard County Code, the Office of Emergency Management must prepare an emergency operations plan in accordance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations; and

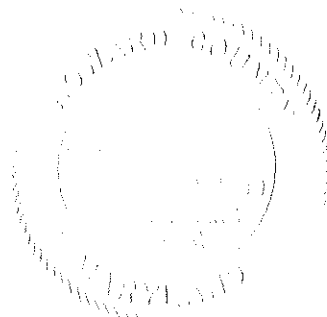
WHEREAS, an emergency operations plan will provide a comprehensive framework for Howard County-wide emergency management; and

WHEREAS, an emergency operations plan will address the roles and responsibilities of government organizations and will provide a link to local, state, federal, and private organizations and resources that may be activated to address disasters and emergencies in Howard County; and

WHEREAS, an emergency operations plan will ensure consistency with current policy guidance, will describe the interrelationship with other levels of government, and will continue to evolve to lessons learned from actual disaster and emergency experiences, ongoing planning efforts, training and exercise activities, and state and federal guidance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED that Howard County promulgates the Howard County Emergency Operations Plan as the official plan for Howard County's intergovernmental emergency operations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Allan H. Kittleman, as County Executive of Howard County, Maryland and pursuant to my authority under Section 17.109(c)(2) of the Howard County Code have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Howard County to be affixed this 9th day of June, 2015.




Allan H. Kittleman
County Executive