



# EXTREME HEAT

Upcoming Exercise

## Bistate exercise to help community-based organizations prepare and respond to an extreme heat event

Operation Heat Shield takes place April 14 | Register today!

Join us Tuesday, April 14, for the 2026 **Bistate Community-Based Organizations Exercise - Operation Heat Shield**. Co-hosted by the Regional Homeland Security Coordinating Committee, the Community Disaster Resiliency Network, the Metropolitan Emergency Managers Committee and the MARC Health Care Coalition, this free exercise will help your community-based, health care and faith-based organizations test your emergency operations plans, exercise preparedness and response capabilities to activate plans, and examine protocols and procedures used during an extreme heat event to mitigate its impacts on people and infrastructure.

**Who should attend?** The target audience is representatives from:

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| Adult day and assisted living facilities | Long-term care facilities                                    |
| Visiting nurses                          | Assisted living facilities                                   |
| Schools                                  | Hospitals  |
| Childcare facilities                     | Other community organizations                                |
| Dialysis centers                         | Organizations serving those with access and functional needs |
| Emergency management agencies            | Places of worship  |
| Federally qualified health centers       | Public health departments                                    |
| Group homes                              | Retirement communities                                       |
| Home care and hospice organizations      |  |

### Objectives:

- **Explore the limits of each organization’s Emergency Operations Plan** – What plans, policies, protocols and procedures does your organization have in place to respond to an extreme heat event?
- **Test and evaluate agency components during a heat event** – Communications, Staffing, stakeholder, individual and family care, Safety and security, Resources Network and Assets, Utility loss, and Continuity of Operations.
- **Exercise these components in three phases** – Preparation before the event, response during the event to include protective actions, and relocation/recovery with a focus on Continuity of Operations.

Presented by:



### Register:

Register online:

<https://grco.de/bgdzy4>



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### Cost:

**FREE BUT REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED**

### Date & Time:

**April 14 | 8:30 a.m.-noon**  
(virtual Zoom meeting)

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