

PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Summit County was recently awarded a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant to update our County's Hazard Mitigation Plan. This update is required by FEMA every five years to remain eligible for funding for projects. Municipalities, police and fire departments, schools, businesses, and the general public may receive funding for any mitigation strategy found in the approved and adopted plan update. Community input is critical to this plan's success (and the FEMA approval process). As such, **we are asking for your participation in the planning process at one of the following meetings.**

Public Meeting
Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 9:00 AM
Twinsburg Community Center
10260 Ravenna Road
Twinsburg, Ohio 44087

Public Meeting
Thursday, June 19, 2023 at 2:00 PM
Green Community Hall
1755 Town Park Blvd
Green, OH 44685

These meetings will be offered in multiple formats that allow stakeholders and the public to participate however they are available and comfortable. These meeting formats will include live in-person meetings, recorded presentations, and paper and digital surveys. **Please RSVP by January 13, 2023 using the following link: <https://forms.gle/YCBxA2g6QY4QJQVJ7>.** If you are unable to attend, please let us know and we will work with you to obtain participation in other formats.

Prior to the meeting, we have two action items for your completion:

1. **Review the attached items**, which describe the goal of the hazard mitigation planning process, who is involved in updating the plan, why the plan needs to be updated, and an overview of the planning process and schedule.
2. **Complete the Goals & Hazard Priority Surveys** prior to the meeting by accessing the surveys via project webpage, where you can choose to complete the surveys online via a SurveyMonkey or download a PDF.

Many of you may wonder why you have been asked to participate in this process. Updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan every five years allows us to identify opportunities to lessen the potential impacts from disasters and allows us to evaluate projects that have been completed during the past five-year cycle. All possible projects are identified by YOU, our community leaders. Once our plan has gone through the FEMA approval process and has been adopted locally, we can apply for grant funding that could potentially cover 75% of the costs associated with those projects.

Thank you for supporting our project and we look forward to seeing you on January 19!

Reference Material Links

1. Plan Overview ([link](#))
2. 2018 Hazard Mitigation Plan ([link](#))
3. Summit Hazard Mitigation Plan website ([link](#))

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