# **Updates: 2019 Statewide Tornado Drill & DR-4420 Disaster Declaration**



LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

#### Statewide Tornado Drill



- Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- 10:00am) NWS issues a TEST Tornado Watch
- 10:15am) NWS issues a TEST Tornado WARNING
- Everyone was encouraged to participate in the drill.
  - Promoted on social media: Facebook and Twitter
- At the completion of the drill, all participants were invited to complete a simple, one-page PDF-fillable form documenting their participation

#### Statewide Tornado Drill



- Severe Weather Awareness Week: Mar 25-29, 2019
- Promoted Preparedness & Situational Awareness
- Practiced 'Shelter Plans' during the Statewide Drill
- Participants included:
  - Government Agencies (County, City and State)
  - Healthcare Facilities and Private Business
  - Schools
- Due to standardized testing that week, schools were encouraged to conduct the drill as their schedules permitted.

Participation Numbers				
	2019	2018	2017	2016
<b>Government Agencies</b>				
Agencies	43	46	28	41
<b>Participants</b>	<b>5266</b>	9179	2858	1470
School System				
Schools	60	16	<b>58</b>	
<b>Participants</b>	38025	6465	37036	
<b>Healthcare Facilities</b>				
<b>Facilities</b>	33	25	6	
<b>Participants</b>	2823	6514	3823	
<b>Private Businesses</b>				
Businesses	8	3		
<b>Participants</b>	853	331		
<b>Total Entities</b>	144	90	92	41
<b>Total Participants</b>	46967	22489	43717	1470



#### Weatherfest



- Central Plains Severe Weather Symposium
- Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 9:00am to 2:00pm
- NWS Severe Weather Lecture and Storm Spotter Certification Testing
  - 125 Attendees for Lecture
  - 43 Participants in the Certification Testing
    - ➤ To maintain certification, test must be taken every 3 years

## Disaster Declaration Update



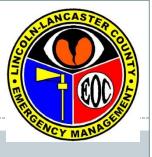
- FEMA Disaster Declaration DR-4420
  - Reference Material
  - o https://www.fema.gov/disaster/4420
  - o <a href="https://nema.nebraska.gov/index">https://nema.nebraska.gov/index</a>
- Incident Period: March 9 to April 1, 2019
- Major Disaster Declaration: March 21<sup>st</sup>



- Incident Status Report (ISR) submitted to NEMA
- Local Disaster Declaration/State of Emergency
  - o Lancaster County: March 13<sup>th</sup>
  - o City of Lincoln: March 15<sup>th</sup>
- Preliminary Disaster Assessment (PDA)
  - County Damage Threshold for Eligibility
  - Lancaster County: \$1.079 million
    - x 2010 Census population (285,407) x \$3.78 per person
- NEMA's Confirmation and Verification of Eligibility
  - Lancaster County's Declaration: Confirmed and Verified
  - o County Engineer PDA submitted 03-18-19: \$3,755,000.



- NEMA Hosted-Applicant Briefing
  - o Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at Lincoln-Lanc Co Health Dept.
  - Explain the FEMA Recovery Process
- Request for Public Assistance (RPA)
  - o Initial Deadline: April 20th
  - o Revised Deadline: May 20<sup>th</sup>
- FEMA's Grants Portal (Web-based Data Entry)
  - All RPAs must be submitted through the portal
  - o Includes Option for 'Virtual Damage Assessment'
  - Lancaster County and City of Lincoln users have accounts



- FEMA Recovery Scoping Meeting (Kickoff Meeting)
  - Scheduled after the RPAs have been submitted
- FEMA Program Delivery Manager (Single Point-of-Contact) for duration of recovery process
  - Should promote continuity and coordination
  - Our May 2015 Flooding recovery process was hampered by the lack of a single point-of-contact.
- As of April 22, FEMA has 503 staff working in NE.



# Questions?