Happening Today: FEMA's Podcast Relaunches with New Focus, Format

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell announced that FEMA is relaunching the agency's podcast, "Before, During & After" across multiple platforms today.

The podcast will offer a new format with information and insights tailored to the nation's emergency management community. The first of the relaunched episodes is a one-on-one interview with Administrator Criswell, setting the stage with a robust discussion of the agency's priorities in the years ahead.

"It is FEMA's priority to engage and empower all communities to help us become a more prepared and resilient nation," Criswell said. "The podcast will provide listeners with insight into where emergency management is headed, how we are preparing today for the threats of tomorrow and how each of us has a role in keeping our communities safe from future disasters."

Release of the podcast is being done on the agency's 43rd anniversary, marking the date <u>President Jimmy Carter signed an executive order</u> on April 1, 1979 establishing FEMA.

"Before, During & After - a Podcast from FEMA" is available on Apple iTunes, Google Play or www.FEMA.gov/podcast to stream or download. Approximately 20 to 30 minutes in length, the podcast will be updated with a new episode on a biweekly basis. By subscribing, new episodes will automatically update on a listener's device.

Each podcast is fully accessible to listeners within the deaf and hard of hearing community, with subtitle text uploaded to all platforms alongside the audio. Transcripts of episodes are also posted on FEMA.gov/podcast.

Future podcast episodes will cover FEMA's work in climate resilience and adaptation, how equity is being instilled into emergency management, recent



disaster recovery efforts and resources available to better prepare for future disaster risks.

For more information about "Before, During & After - a Podcast from FEMA" or to provide ideas for future episodes, visit www.FEMA.gov/podcast.

