

FEMA, Department of Labor Create Job Corps Emergency Management Advance Training Program

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WASHINGTON -- FEMA and the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) creating the Job Corps Emergency Management Advance Training Program (EMATP) recently. This program consists of approximately 12 weeks of advanced emergency management training for Job Corps students to become mission-ready emergency management specialists. The MOU establishes a framework for emergency management capacity building between the two agencies.

Department of Labor's Job Corps has been operating for more than 50 years and is the largest residential career training program in the United States. This strategic collaboration between FEMA and Job Corps will give young people an opportunity to learn in-demand skills while providing FEMA with trained employees. Additionally, Job Corps students can seek Emergency Management careers with state and local governments.

Job Corps has trained and educated over two million individuals since 1964. The program will help eligible young adults complete their high school education, train them for meaningful careers and assist with obtaining employment. Through this collaboration, students will also have the opportunity to increase their knowledge of the unique needs of FEMA and build their capacity to become mission-ready site inspectors and emergency managers helping people before, during and after disaster.

