

Central Ohio Public Information Network (COPIN) Membership Guide



Main Purposes of COPIN



- Connect with fellow public information officers (PIOs)
- Ensure members are trained
- Leverage regional public information resources

What COPIN Can Provide



- Connect with trained PIOs who are willing to assist your organization in an emergency situation
- One-call activation
- Mobile JIC
- Exercise evaluators
- Joint Information Center (JIC) site assessments
- Training & professional development opportunities
- Crisis communication & JIC plan templates

Diverse Membership

- Public health
- Fire
- Law enforcement
- Hospitals
- Transportation
- Cities/townships
- Schools
- Social service
- Public utilities
- Private organizations
- Many more



2017 Quarterly COPIN Meetings | Subject to Change

Date	Time	Location	Address
January 11	1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Franklin County Emergency Management Agency (EMA)	5300 Strawberry Farms Columbus, Ohio 43230
April 12	1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Franklin County Emergency Management Agency (EMA)	5300 Strawberry Farms Columbus, Ohio 43230
July 12	1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Franklin County Emergency Management Agency (EMA)	5300 Strawberry Farms Columbus, Ohio 43230
October 11	1:30 – 3:30 p.m.	Franklin County Emergency Management Agency (EMA)	5300 Strawberry Farms Columbus, Ohio 43230

2 Kinds of Membership



- Response Team Members

- Agree to be called upon to provide assistance during an event
- Not obligated to respond
- No monetary compensation
- COPIN members are to assist and not lead PIO efforts
- Attend meetings
- Attend trainings and networking opportunities

- Support Members

- Assist during an event
- Attend meetings
- Attend trainings and networking opportunities as able



Interested in becoming a member?



- Complete the application available at COPINworks.org
- Submit application to:
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