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### **Schedule of Activities**

### Sunday, October 15

Times	Event	Location
11:00 am – 4:00 pm	Registration Open	Allegheny Mountains Lobby
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm	Breakout Sessions	Rooms 202 to 208 and Ballrooms 1 & 2
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	BREAK – Coffee & Snacks provided	Grand Lobby
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm	Breakout Sessions	Rooms 202 to 208 and Ballrooms 1 & 2
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm	Vendor Showcase Hors d'oeuvres & Cash Bar	Grand Lobby
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm	PA VOAD Meeting and Dinner	Ballroom 3

#### Monday, October 16

Times	Event	Location
7:00 am – 8:00 am 10:00 am – 3:00 pm	Registration Open	Allegheny Mountains Lobby
7:00 am – 8:00 am	Breakfast Fresh fruit, scrambled eggs, home fries, bacon, sausage, bagels, English muffins, pastries.	Ballroom 3
8:00 am – 6:00 pm	Vendor Area Open	Grand Lobby
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Opening Ceremony & Welcome	Ballroom 3
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Keynote Speaker	Ballroom 3
10:00 am – 10:30 am	BREAK – Coffee provided	Grand Lobby
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Breakout Sessions	Rooms 202 to 208 and Ballrooms 1 & 2
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch Soup, Salad, & Sandwiches (Italian Grinder, Tarragon Chicken Salad, & Turkey Club).	Ballroom 3
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm	Breakout Sessions	Rooms 202 to 208 _and Ballrooms 1 & 2_
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	BREAK – Coffee & Snacks provided	Grand Lobby
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm	Breakout Sessions	Rooms 202 to 208 and Ballrooms 1 & 2
5:00 pm – 5:30 pm	KEMA Annual Membership Meeting	Ballroom 3
5:30 pm – 8:00 pm	KEMA Annual Awards Dinner	Ballroom 3
8:00 pm to 10:00 pm	Social & Happy Hour	Courtyard Marriott Lobby

### Tuesday, October 17

Times	Event	Location
7:30 am – 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast Selection of juices, bagels, pastries, butter, cream cheese, preserves and hot beverages.	Ballroom 3
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Breakout Sessions	Rooms 202 to 208 and Ballrooms 1 & 2
10:00 am – 10:30 am	BREAK – Coffee & Snacks provided	Grand Lobby
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### **KEMA Mission and Vision**

The **MISSION** of the Keystone Emergency Management Association (KEMA) is to promote, support, and advocate comprehensive emergency management at all levels of Pennsylvania's public and private sectors.

The **VISION** of the Keystone Emergency Management Association is that KEMA shall be recognized by the Pennsylvania emergency management community as a results-driven organization of emergency management professionals dedicated to protecting lives and property from both human-caused and natural disasters.

### **Disclaimers**

Please note that conference courses and faculty are subject to change without notice. While we strive to ensure that the program remains as advertised, unforeseen circumstances may necessitate alterations to the schedule. In the event that a course is changed, the event organizers will make every effort to secure a suitable replacement with similar subject matter.

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We appreciate your cooperation and look forward to your participation in the conference.

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#### Monday, October 16

8:00 am	Opening Remarks KEMA Conference Chair	Robert Gerlach Training & Exercise Coordinator Allegheny County Dept. of Emergency Services
8:10 am	Presentation of Colors	PA National Guard
8:15 am	The Pledge of Allegiance	, followed by a moment of silence
8:20 am	KEMA President's Welcome	Roland "Bud" Mertz Director Westmoreland County Dept. of Public Safety
8:30 am	PEMA Welcome	<b>D. Randy Padfield</b> <i>Director</i> Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency
8:45 am	GOHS Welcome	<b>Kristin Daniels</b> Deputy Director Governor's Office of Homeland Security Pennsylvania State Police
9:00 am	Keynote Speaker	Kelly R. McKinney, PE, CBCP



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### Keynote Speaker

#### Kelly R. McKinney, PE, CBCP

As the former Deputy Commissioner at the New York City Office of Emergency Management and Chief Disaster Officer for the American Red Cross in Greater New York, Kelly McKinney has had a leadership role in every major disaster in New York City for more than 20 years, from the 9/11 attacks to Superstorm Sandy to Covid-19.



Currently, he is Assistant Vice President of Emergency Management and

Enterprise Resilience at NYU Langone Health in New York City.

He teaches crisis management at NYU and was recently appointed to FEMA's National Advisory Council.

Nationally known for his writing and speaking on the principles and practice of disaster management, he is the author of "Moment of Truth, the Nature of Catastrophes and How to Prepare for Them."

His 5-minute video, The Essential Emergency Manager, has been viewed more than 110,000 times on YouTube.

He is the founding principal of Emergency Management Americas, a 501c3 nonprofit with a mission to advance the profession and practice of emergency management.

He is a professional engineer with a BS in mechanical engineering from the University of Kansas and an MPA from Columbia University in the City of New York.

He is a board member of the All-Hazards Consortium and of the Urban Assembly School for Emergency Management in New York City.



### PA VOAD Meeting and Dinner

### Sunday, October 15 – 5:00 PM – Ballroom 3

The PA VOAD Meeting and Dinner is open to all PA VOAD organization representatives and all other emergency management personnel affiliated with a local or regional VOAD element.

The dinner menu will be Chef selected beef, poultry and seafood entrées, a potato, rice or pasta selection, vegetable medley, a Chef selected salad, and a Chef selected dessert.

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### PA VOAD Dinner Guest Speaker

#### Director Marcus Coleman, Jr.

Marcus Coleman, Jr. has served as the Director of the DHS Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships since August 2021. The focus of the Center is to foster partnerships between government and faith-based organizations.

Director Coleman began working for FEMA in 2010 as the program manager for the Individual and Community Preparedness Division. There he worked to create partnerships that represented both the public and private sectors. He



continued this work when he began working at the DHS Partnerships Center in 2013.

During his time at the DHS Partnerships Center, Coleman supported more than 15 disaster activations and special mission responses. This included responding to hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, the 2015 influx of unaccompanied children, and post-incident national outreach and messaging after several active shooter incidents. In 2016, he won a FEMA Administrator's Award for the work he did to encourage collaboration between faith leaders and first responders. These efforts resulted in emergency operation plans that safeguarded houses of worship. His role extended beyond FEMA to coordination with federal interagency partners and DHS components.

Coleman's portfolio of work includes co-developing FEMA's guidance for Engaging Faith-based and Community Organizations: Planning Considerations for Emergency Managers and contributing to FEMA's course on Religious and Cultural Literacy and Competency in Disasters. In his own community, he serves as Advisory Board Member of the Institute for Diversity and Inclusion in Emergency Management, a Board Member for National Institute of Civic Discourse and Fair Chance DC and is a member of the Truman National Security Project.

As the Director of the DHS Partnerships Center, Director Coleman leads the linkage of houses of worship, faith-based organizations, and non-governmental organizations with DHS components to promote equitable access to resilience, preparedness, safety, and security.

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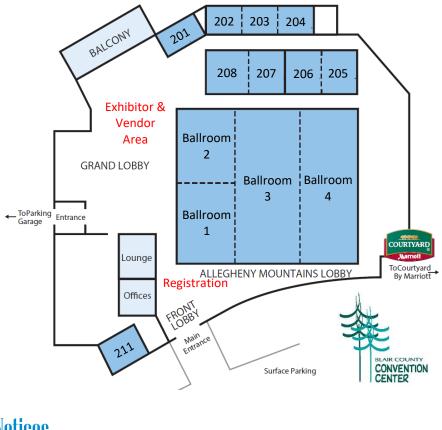


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#### **Katie Murphy**

Katie Murphy is the Senior Manager of Business Continuity at C&S Wholesale Grocers. She monitors threats to the supply chain, coordinates inter-department planning and responses, and coordinates with government partners at the local, state, and federal level to support the food supply chain. Over the past four years she has coordinated responses to over 150 incidents across the United States for a range of hazards, including hurricanes, winter storms, utility incidents, labor issues, internal disruptions, and COVID-19.



Prior to joining C&S Wholesale Grocers, she served as the Emergency Operations Center Director at NYC Emergency Management. In this role, she coordinated internal response teams, managed trainings, and exercises, and facilitated post-incident debriefs and improvement planning processes. As EOC Director, Katie restructured operations to better support impacted communities and responders in the field and launched the agency's annual EOC exercise series; she also fostered emergency management learning across the agency via work groups, mentoring, and competency models.

In addition, she has worked as a responder for the American Red Cross of Greater New York and consulted for The Chertoff Group.

Katie earned her MPH from Tulane University's School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, focusing on international health and development. She is also a FEMA-certified Master Exercise Practitioner, and a DRI International Certified Business Continuity Professional.

### Equipment Display

In the lower parking lot PEMA, PA Helicopter Aquatic Rescue Team (PA-HART), PA Special Medical Assistance Team (PA-SMAT), PA State Animal Response Team (PA-SART) and the Mennonite Disaster Services have various equipment on display for all attendees. Please be sure to visit their displays during the Conference on Monday (10:30 AM to 4:00 PM) and Tuesday (8:30 AM to 11:30 AM).

### KEMA Annual Membership Meeting Agenda

### Monday, October 16 – 5:00 PM – Ballroom 3

Call to Order Roll Call of Members Present Reading of Previous Meetings Minutes Reports of Officers and Committees Stakeholder Reports Unfinished Business New Business Elections Installation of Officers and Directors Good of the Association Adjournment

### KEMA Annual Dinner

### Monday, October 16 – 6:30 PM – Ballroom 3

#### No charge to KEMA Members.

### Non-KEMA Members must pay \$50 to attend.

The dinner menu will be the Little Italy which will feature chopped greens, tomatoes, cucumbers, red onions, olives, mild pepper rings, artichokes, cheddar cheese, croutons and assorted dressings, grilled vegetables with sliced tomatoes, fresh mozzarella, olive oil and honey balsamic reduction, Penne & Cheese Tortellini (Bolognese and Vodka sauces), Shrimp Scampi, Chicken Milanese with garlic and rosemary roasted potatoes, Alvera's Meatballs in red sauce and a Chef selected dessert.



### Sunday Breakout Session Schedule

### October 15, 2023

Times	Title	Room
	Eyes in the Sky: How Drones are Revolutionizing Disaster Response	202 & 203
	Building Resilient and Sustainable Communities using a National Preparedness System, Social Equity, Whole Community Centered Approach	204
1:00 pm –	Not Being Heard – Gaps in Communication for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Populations During Emergency Response	205
2:30 pm	Engaging Local Level Emergency Responders in Emergency Management	206
	Civil Rights Compliance in Emergency Management	207
	ICE-ICE BABY 2018	208
	PEMA Central Area Update - COUNTY EMC's (or designee) ONLY	Ballroom 1
	Extreme Space and Terrestrial Weather Impacts on Electric Grids	Ballroom 2
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	BREAK	Grand Lobby
	It Starts with Education	202 & 203
	Including People with Disabilities in Emergency Preparation	204
	Meeting The Challenge of Tomorrow: Recruiting, Retaining, and Mentoring Gen Z	205
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm	Disconnected by Choice: Ongoing Efforts across the National Weather Service to Protect Life and Property in the Amish/Plain Communities	206
	Bridging the Gap-Building a Recovery Team	207
	Building Resiliency During a Global Climate Crisis	208
	Hybrid EOC: Lessons Learned and Takeaways in a Post- Pandemic World	Ballroom 1
	Improving Your Preparedness with Actionable After- Action Reviews	Ballroom 2



### October 16, 2023

Times	Title	Room
	Mitigating Vulnerabilities and Protecting Our Schools	202 & 203
	for Tomorrows Challenges	204
	Disaster Response and Recovery is For Everyone	204 205
	EMS & Healthcare Preparedness in the Commonwealth What Impact Will This Have?	205
10:30 am –	Utilizing GIS and GIS Data in Hazard Mitigation Planning	206
12:00 pm	The Importance of Disaster Legal Services in Response & Recovery	207
	Benefits of Protective Security Advisor Services	208
	PEMA Eastern Area Update	Ballroom 1
	- COUNTY EMC's (or designee) ONLY	Dalif001111
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	LUNCH and LEARN	Ballroom 3
	Swatting Trends, Response, and Mitigations	202 & 203
	Thinking Outside the Silo:	
	An Integrated Approach to Emergency Management	204
	Planning, Training, and Exercise	
	Developing a County-Level THIRA/SPR – Involve the	205
1.00	Whole Community!	200
1:00 pm –	Understanding Legislative Advocacy and Outreach	206
2:30 pm	Incident Management – Beyond ICS Building Stronger Partnerships of Yesterday for	207
	Tomorrow	208
	The Next Generation of Emergency Management and	
	Homeland Security: The AI Revolution	Ballroom 1
	Realistic Emergency Preparedness Training: Role-Playing	Ballroom 2
	in a Miniature City (Session 1)	Ballroom 2
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	BREAK	Grand Lobby
	FEMA Region 3 and Pennsylvania Emergency	202 & 203
	Management Partnership Highlights	
	Interagency Recovery Coordination: Bringing Partner and	204
	Stakeholders to the Table to Support Post-Disaster	204
	Recovery Lead and Win as a Young Professional in Emergency	
	Management	205
3:00 pm –	Strategic Planning for Emergency Services Organizations	206
4:30 pm	Being A Good Next-door Neighbor on Social Media	207
	The Emergency Manager and the Jurisdiction: Exploring	
	the Relationship Between Emergency Management	208
	Leaders and Elected Officials	
	Exercising for Tomorrow's Mass Care Needs: 2024	Ballroom 1
	Keystone 6 Exercise	
	Realistic Emergency Preparedness Training: Role-Playing	Ballroom 2
	in a Miniature City (Session 2)	

### **Tuesday Breakout Session Schedule**

### October 17, 2023

Times	Title	Room
	The Wild and Wacky World of (Federal) Agricultural Emergency Management	202 & 203
	Right-wing Narratives Associated with Cognitive Predictors of Radicalization: Direct User-Engagement Drives Radicalization	204
	Private Sector Integration to Emergency Management at the Local Level	205
8:30 am – 10:00 am	Think Analytically, Politically, and Critically – An Emergency Leaders Mindset	206
10.00 am	Navigating EM Procurement Planning to Your Advantage	207
	Overnight Sheltering for those with Disabilities and Access and Functional Needs	208
PEMA Western Area Update - COUNTY EMC's (or designee) ONLY		Ballroom 1
	The Night I Almost Jumped: EMS and the Stigma of Mental Health	Ballroom 2
10:00 am – 10:30 am	BREAK	Grand Lobby
	Lessons learned from the Tree of Life Event	202 & 203
	Supporting Emergency Medical & Healthcare Systems Across the Commonwealth	204
	Partnerships with Community-Based Organizations in Disaster Response and Recovery	205
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Integrating Section 406 Hazard Mitigation into Public Assistance Grants	206
	Understanding Radiological Hazards: Ask a Nuclear Engineer	207
	Future Threats in Public Health Preparedness	208
	Flood Inundation Mapping Services for Pennsylvania	Ballroom 1
	Whole Community Response to Environmental- Technology Caused Disaster	Ballroom 2



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Full conference faculty biographies are available on the KEMA Conference website at: <u>http://kemaconference.com/conference-faculty/</u>

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- Karl Jones, Disaster Coordinator/Communications Coordinator, United Church of Christ/PAVOAD
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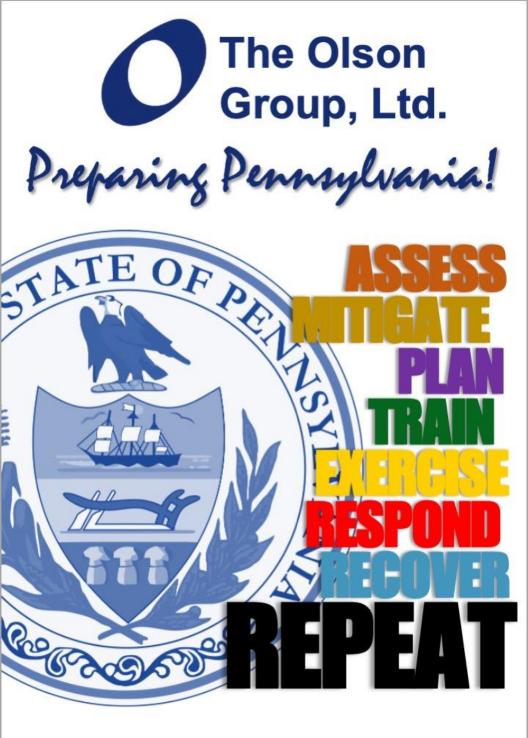
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