

# Evacuation Planning

## The Issue

Events, such as Hurricane Katrina, demonstrate the importance of having evacuation plans in place before a disaster strikes. While many communities have emergency response plans, most do not have specific evacuation strategies to efficiently move residents to safety, nor have they considered the resources required to assist their most vulnerable residents (e.g. elderly, homeless, or those without transportation).



## The Solution

Developing an evacuation plan is the most effective way of ensuring your community is prepared. With proper guidance and support, communities can develop practical and detailed plans to respond quickly and effectively to an emergency event.

## The Process

Global Consulting has worked with both the public and private sector to develop evacuation plans. We work with our clients to understand the characteristics and demographics of their community as well as their current response and transportation capabilities. In doing so, we are able to develop practical and customized evacuation plans comprised of the following elements:

- Triggers for activation.
- Shelter-in-Place versus evacuation decision processes.
- Directories for vulnerable populations.
- Communications and coordination tools for Emergency Operation Centres.
- Community profiles with geographic and population data.
- Agency roles and responsibilities
- Applicable maps, checklists, and forms.

Following the development of the plan, Global can provide an orientation with staff and stakeholders. In the orientation, we review roles and responsibilities, reference tools, and key strategies of the plans to enable your community to conduct a safe, coordinated, and efficient evacuation.

## The Company

Global Consulting is well-versed in emergency planning, training, and exercises, having assisted a number of organizations with improving their emergency plans and programs. Our proven record of effective emergency project execution spans the North American public and private sectors. Our team is comprised of internationally-recognized physicians, subject-matter experts, and research analysts, each of them dynamic leaders in their fields.

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