

OEM CHRONICLE

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COVID-19 Vaccinations



On January 14th, 2021 Governor Parson [announced](#) new vaccine guidance and specifications regarding the [priority phases](#). The MO National Guard will begin assisting MO DHSS with mass vaccination sites.

[Boone County](#) continues to vaccinate the Phase 1A group and has begun the process of vaccinating the Phase 1B, Tier 1 group. Vaccine supply remains limited. Boone County residents can sign up for notifications regarding vaccine availability by filling out [this form](#).

Central U.S. Earthquake Awareness Month



As earthquakes continue to occur on a daily basis in the central U.S.—with nearly [2,000 small tremors per year](#)—CUSEC and emergency management officials in our Member States remind citizens and communities about the earthquake risk by designating February as Earthquake Awareness Month.

February 7th is the [anniversary of the New Madrid earthquakes](#) that struck the central U.S. in the winter of 1811-1812. While scientists say there is a 7-10% probability of a re-occurrence of the 1811-1812 earthquakes within any 50-year window, they also estimate that there is a 25-40% probability of a Magnitude 6.0 or greater earthquake occurring in the central U.S. within the same time period.

Winter Safety



February is the height of Missouri's winter season. It is important to know the [warning signs of hypothermia](#), dress in layers when leaving the house, and [walk like a penguin](#) when there is ice/snow covered walkways. Stay alert while driving and look out for black ice.

Follow these tips for staying warm when your power is out:

1. Close blinds/curtains to keep in heat.
2. Close off rooms to avoid wasting heat
3. Dress in layers of loose fitting, light weight, warm clothing.
4. Eat & drink but avoid caffeine and alcohol.
5. Stuff towels or rags in the cracks of the doors.

Do1Thing Goal



Goal for February: Have 3 days worth of water stored for your household. Estimate about 1 gallon **per person per day**. You can either purchase bottled water or bottle the supply yourself at home.

[> Learn how to provide safe water in a disaster.](#)

Do 1 Thing is a web-based twelve month preparedness program. Every month offers a low or no-cost option for individuals (or businesses) to become better prepared each month!

OEM CALENDAR

MARCH 2021

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	28	01	02	03	04	05	06
March 1st-5th: Severe Weather Preparedness Week		Severe Weather Awareness Week begins!	Statewide Drill at 10am Virtual Storm Spotter Class 7-8:15pm	Warning Sirens Test at 12pm	OEM Monthly Newsletter released!		Virtual Storm Spotter Class 10-11:15am
March 2nd: Statewide Tornado Drill at 10am; Virtual Storm Spotter Class 7-8:15pm	07	08	09	10	11	12	13
March 3rd: Warning Sirens at 12pm							
March 5th: OEM Newsletter released							
March 6th: Virtual Storm Spotter Class 10-11:15am							
March 10th: Virtual Storm Spotter Class 7-8:15pm	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
March 11th: Virtual CERT Meeting 6:30-8pm							
March 20th: Virtual Storm Spotter Class 2-3:15pm	28	29	30	31	01	02	03