# 2023 ANNUAL REPORT



The Center for Rural Development





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The Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium (RDPC) lives by the principle of preparing for the worst and training to be the best, recognizing our first responders as heroes who safeguard us daily. We acknowledge the unique challenges faced by Rural and Tribal emergency responders and are dedicated to offering them specialized training.

Since 2005, RDPC has trained nearly 127,000 emergency responders across small, rural, and Tribal communities in all 50 states and five U.S. territories. We're proud to report a significant increase in training completion rates, with 7,834 students finishing courses in 2023, up by 51% from 5,182 students in 2022. Our training delivery and completion rates are now almost back to what they were before the pandemic.

We're excited to continue our work with DHS/FEMA to provide no-cost, high-quality training nationwide and are grateful to our Consortium Members for their ongoing commitment and support to RDPC's mission.

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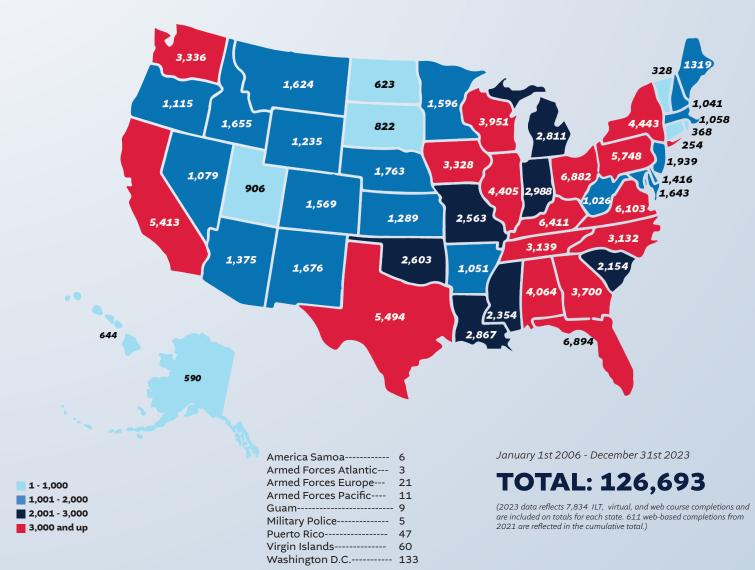
#### **OUR VISION :**

Rural communities across America will have the knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to enhance the safety, security, and quality of life for citizens.

## **OUR MISSION :**

The Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium (RDPC), through its Consortium Members, will provide Small, Rural, and Tribal emergency responders and communities with the knowledge, skills, and abilities to enhance the safety, and quality of life for their citizens through training, technical assistance, and information sharing.















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#### 2023 Student Completions:



			BILE	• WEB
	Inst	tructor Lead Course		
	221	AWR-144 PORT AND VESSEL SECURITY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND MARITIME	46 ●●	AWR-311 SMALL VESSEL SECURITY FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES (UF)
		PERSONNEL (UF)	162 ••	AWR-328 ALL HAZARDS PREPAREDNESS FOR
	568	AWR-147 RAIL CAR		ANIMALS IN DISASTERS
		INCIDENT RESPONSE		(UCD)
		(UF)	222	
	1530		322	MGT-335 EVENT
	1530 138	AWR-148 CRISIS MANAGEMENT	145	SECURITY PLANNING FOR PUBLIC SAFETY
		FOR SCHOOL-		PROFESSIONALS (UF)
		BASED INCIDENTS:		PROFESSIONALS (0F)
		PARTNERING RURAL	171	MGT-381 BUSINESS
		LAW ENFORCEMENT,		CONTINUITY PLANNING
		FIRST RESPONDERS		(NWACC)
		AND LOCAL SCHOOL		
		SYSTEMS (UF)	194	MGT-383 EMERGENCY
				OPERATIONS PLANS FOR
	1080	AWR-187-W TERRORISM		RURAL JURISDICTIONS
		&WMD AWARENESS		(NWACC)
		IN THE WORKPLACE		
- 1		(NWACC)	77	MGT-401 PLANNING
				AND INTERVENTION
	406	AWR-209 WORKING		FOR SECURITY THREAT
	44	WITH THE MEDIA: A	1 5 4 5 4	GROUPS, HATE AND
		COURSE FOR RURAL		TERRORIST GROUPS
		FIRST RESPONDERS (UF)		IN RURAL JAILS AND
	A CONTRACT			PRISONS (NCCU)
	759	AWR-232 MASS		
		FATALITIES PLANNING &		
		RESPONSE FOR RURAL	1. 6. 1	
		COMMUNITIES (NWACC)		

#### **51% increase** in students trained from 2022 to 2023



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	425	MGT-403 UNDERSERVED		578	MGT-417 CRISIS	
		POPULATIONS			MANAGEMENT FOR	
		PREPAREDNESS			SCHOOL-BASED	
		PLANNING FOR RURAL			INCIDENTS FOR KEY	
		RESPONDERS AND			DECISION MAKERS (UF)	
		<i>VOLUNTEERS (NWACC)</i>				
				91	MGT-433 ISOLATION	
	249	MGT-405 MOBILIZING		62	& QUARANTINE FOR	
	••	FAITH-BASED	-		RURAL COMMUNITIES:	
		COMMUNITY			A WHOLE COMMUNITY	
		ORGANIZATIONS IN			APPROACH (NWACC)	- Teres
		PREPARING FOR DISASTER	2			14.5
		(NCCU)		92	MGT-448 ALL HAZARDS	
					PLANNING FOR ANIMAL,	1 at
60.4	46	MGT-406 COMMUNITY			AGRICULTURAL,	
		THREAT GROUP			AND FOOD RELATED	
		IDENTIFICATION,			DISASTERS (UCD)	
		ASSESSMENT &	AND NO.			
		INFORMATION	and the second s	78	MGT-449 COMMUNITY	
		REPORTING FOR RURAL		•	BASED PLANNING	
		LAW ENFORCEMENT	S - C		FOR ALL-HAZARDS	
		OFFICERS (NCCU)			THREATS IN TRIBAL	
					COMMUNITIES (UT)	
	49	MGT-415 DISASTER				
		RECOVERY IN RURAL		83	PER-294 TESTING	
		COMMUNITIES (NWACC)			AN EMERGENCY	
					OPERATIONS PLAN IN A	
	218	MGT-416 INTRODUCTION			RURAL EOC (NWACC)	
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		OF GOVERNMENT				
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		JURISDICTIONS(NWACC)				
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### **TRIBAL NATIONS TRAINING**

#### COURSES

PER-333: ISOLATION AND QUARANTINE RESPONSE STRATEGIES IN THE EVENT OF A BIOLOGICAL DISEASE OUTBREAK IN TRIBAL NATIONS (UT)

MGT-449: COMMUNITY BASED PLANNING FOR ALL-HAZARDS THREATS IN TRIBAL COMMUNITIES (UT)

AWR-232: MASS FATALITIES PLANNING & RESPONSE FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES

MGT-381: BUSINESS CONTINUITY PLANNING

MGT-383: EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLANS FOR RURAL JURISDICTIONS

MGT-403: UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS PREPAREDNESS PLANNING FOR RURAL RESPONDERS & VOLUNTEERS

MGT-416: INTRODUCTION TO CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT PLANNING FOR RURAL JURISDICTIONS

PER-294: TESTING AN EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN IN A RURAL EOC



The Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium (RDPC) works in close partnership with the National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC).

The NDPC consists of seven nationally recognized organizations whose membership addresses the urgent need for counter-terrorism preparedness within our Nation's emergency responder community.

The NDPC effectively delivers all-hazards training within the context of chemical, biological, radiological, and explosive weapons of mass destruction (WMD) hazards.



#### National Domestic Preparedness Consortium (NDPC) Members



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Crisis Management for School Based Incidents: Partnering Rural Law Enforcement, First Responders and Local School Systems.



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FEMA's National Training and Education Division (NTED) offers a full catalog of courses at no-cost to help build critical skills that responders need to function effectively in mass consequence events. Course subjects range from Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD), Terrorism, Cybersecurity, and Agro-Terrorism to Citizen Preparedness and Public Works. NTED courses include multiple delivery methods: instructor-led (direct deliveries), virtual deliveries (instructor-led), customized (conferences and seminars) and web-based. A full list of NTED courses can be found at www.firstrespondertraining.gov.