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NEMA Mid-Year Forum Sponsors Step Up, Save the Day

When NEMA made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 Mid-Year Forum in March there was deep concern among the leadership and staff about the financial impact that decision would have on an already limited budget and specifically, ongoing programs and services for our Members. It's a concern shared by every organization and leader in these uncertain times.

NEMA's priority was the safety and health of the forum participants so there was really no other decision to be made but that didn't make it worry free. The potential financial loss could have been six figures which would've impacted our ability to support the emergency management community when they needed us most.

Fortunately for NEMA, we had a number of companies step forward to donate their Mid-Year Forum sponsorship fees to help cover cancellation costs. **Yes, you read that right.** At a time when offices are closed, staffs working remotely or furloughed, restaurants and stores closed and the future uncertain, **many of our 2020 Mid-Year Forum Sponsors stepped up in a big way.**

By big, I mean REALLY BIG!

\$75,250

That is the total of the **sponsorship fees donated.** It is extraordinary in these unprecedented times that our sponsors, generous at the best of times, are even more so during difficult ones.

The leadership and staff of NEMA extends our deep and heartfelt appreciation to the the companies below for their generosity and we wanted to give our members an opportunity to thank them as well.

The company name at the top of each listing below is an email link to a company leader who would have been at the forum. Since you were unable to visit their exhibit or network with them at lunch or one of the receptions please take a few minutes to reach out and check in.

We hope you are all well and taking care of yourselves and we're here if you need us.

AECOM AECOM **PLATINUM SPONSOR - DONATED \$10,000**

AECOM: Maintaining operational resilience and supporting our clients

Throughout our history, AECOM has been committed to delivering a better world to enable our communities to thrive. As a global community, we have been facing the challenge of **responding to coronavirus**, doing everything we can to ensure the safety and well-being of our employees, maintain operational resilience, and support our clients around the world.

AECOM teams have collaborated to deliver projects directly supporting the health of people in communities across the nation affected by the coronavirus pandemic. For example, in New York, AECOM completed several temporary hospitals providing more than 1,000 patient beds in one of the nation's worst coronavirus hot spots. In Chicago, we transformed a convention center into an alternate care facility in just 14 days.

While we continue to deliver mission-critical projects like these, we also recently launched a **virtual public consultation tool** enabling clients to drive stakeholder engagement and public involvement to keep projects moving despite the pandemic.

During this unprecedented time, our NEMA membership has provided a steady foundation and we have appreciated our network of fellow members more than ever.

Please reach out to [Yigal Bar-Av](#) if you would like to connect with [AECOM](#).



IEM **PLATINUM SPONSOR - DONATED \$10,000**

As a nation, we are turning the tide on COVID-19, and for that we thank the dedicated and selfless healthcare professionals, first responders, and **you the emergency management (EM) community** who have been working tirelessly to save lives and change outcomes.

As a company, focused on building a safe, resilient world, **IEM** is dedicated to our nation's recovery. Early in this crisis, IEM formed an internal multidisciplinary Coronavirus Recovery Task Force composed of disaster recovery, health, public policy, economic, technology, and regulatory experts with unparalleled experience and insight. Together, our tenured and tested team understands the complexities and disruptive circumstances created by COVID-19. IEM has developed a **Disaster Recovery Center of Excellence** to better serve our clients across the country – sharing best practices to drive and expedite recovery.

We are laser focused on the hard work of restoring our communities and our economy, and also preparing for the next disaster. As state emergency managers and EM partners, we know too well that another response is coming, whether it's an earthquake, hurricane, tornado, or flood. It's not a matter of if, rather when.

As a company dedicated to assisting state, local, tribal and territorial governments through their most difficult challenges for the last 35+ years, we know first-hand the challenges that you are facing right now, and we are here to assist you. For more information, <https://iem.com/what-we-do/iems-coronavirus-resources/>



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Tidal Basin joins the rest of the nation in **thanking and honoring our first responders and emergency management officials** at the state and local levels. Your clear-headed

leadership and unflagging commitment to service are not only appreciated, they are commendable. You make us all proud to be part of this industry and profession.

This pandemic has **challenged our nation – and the world – like no other** in recent history, and the dedication and agility of our frontline workers and leaders make all the difference. The landscape of managing this pandemic is changing daily and the learning curve has been steep for many, but the principles of emergency management – from preparedness and mitigation to response and recovery – hold true throughout.

Please do not hesitate to call on us if we can be of service to you in your efforts. The Tidal Basin team is honored to be supporting a growing number of state, healthcare, and local clients across the country in navigating this event, and our subject matter experts are available to share lessons learned at any time. We are all more resilient for our collective knowledge-sharing and mutual support.

Thank you for leading the way.



Providing reliable, highly-secure connections – when lives are at stake

Saving lives is always a race against time – time to stabilize patients, communicate with the emergency room and arrive at the hospital quickly and safely. And reliable communication is vital to your job.

Yet, EMTs, first responders and other emergency management personnel – the very people who need the best technology – often have not had access to it.

That’s why FirstNet is here.

FirstNet, Built with AT&T, grew out of the devastating losses from the terrorist attacks of 9/11. The attacks exposed glaring weaknesses in our communications systems. Cell service was spotty. Countless emergency response teams could not communicate. And many first responders lost their lives.

FirstNet is the only network built with and for first responders – when and where they need it most. We are accountable to keeping your lines of communication open with dedicated mission critical solutions that will modernize public safety.

Because every time you put on the uniform and answer the call, you show us that what you do is more than just a job. It’s a calling. And reliable communication is essential to your safety.

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Katrina. Sandy. Maria. Harvey. COVID-19. For over 20 years, **ICF** has been on the ground for some of the most significant disasters in U.S. history. Our teams have decades of experience

working with federal, state, and local officials to effectively prepare for, respond to, and manage complex disaster projects.

With a demonstrated track record of results, **we can help you navigate the federal response and recovery landscape to get the relief you need.** We will show you how to apply every dollar to make your community stronger and more resilient in the face of future events.

With all of the uncertainties created by recent pandemics, ICF has focused on what it does best, support leaders of all levels of government with preparedness and planning, technology solutions, and training and exercises that can help improve our national resilience and recovery. We are advancing technology, sharing insights, and helping our clients manage the most complex problems.

ICF is a leader in understanding and analyzing the public's needs, the roles of industry and government, and the application of federal, state, and local assistance in concert to maximize community benefits.

It is some of the most important work we will ever do. Together.

 **Dewberry** **DEWBERRY**
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At **Dewberry**, we are proud to support NEMA members in their mission to enhance public safety by improving the nation's ability to prepare for, respond to, and recover from all emergencies, disasters, and threats to our nation's security. As a national family-owned professional services firm with a community-based practice, we understand the importance of whole community response. As Chief Executive Officer Donald E. Stone, Jr. recently stated, "**Prioritizing the safety of our clients, communities, and team members, while continuing to provide support to our clients and their projects' needs, is paramount to our business.**" With more than 40 years of experience in supporting emergency management efforts, our ties to communities are strong, as we do our part to keep communities safe and resilient. As a company, emergency management professionals, and fellow Americans, we are dedicated to helping communities recover from the current COVID-19 pandemic. Whether it's identifying funding reimbursement opportunities, applying for grants and loans, or offering engineering services, we're here to help. Our team of emergency management professionals looks forward to the future when we can convene together again in person.

 **HAGERTY** **HAGERTY**
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Hagerty is proud to be a partner of NEMA. As an emergency management and homeland security consulting firm that works with clients to prepare for, respond to, recover from, and mitigate impacts from future disasters, we know our industry is being tested once again to respond to and recover from significant challenges resulting from the COVID 19 pandemic across the US. **We are honored to support local and state governments and healthcare organizations** as we all coordinate emergency management activity in an event impacting the entire nation simultaneously. These efforts are in addition to the ongoing operations from other disasters and emergencies that have impacted the nation in the past few years. **Hagerty stands ready to continue our history with solving complex issues** within the emergency management community

across preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery. You can learn about our capabilities and how Hagerty can support you at www.hagertyconsulting.com.



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Integrated Solutions Consulting is an emergency management professional consulting services firm providing an all-hazard, integrated approach to solving complex disaster planning and recovery challenges. Like all of our colleagues and clients, our team is navigating an unprecedented time, but as the pandemic progresses, we're hard at work identifying how we can best benefit those we serve.

Federal disaster reimbursement is a complex process, so we've developed a grant management tool designed to track, administer, and report grant funding and comply with regulatory requirements. **The Odysseus™ | GMT** provides a ready-to-use or customized grant management system that tracks the status of community grant funding, measures project funding performance, and gauges recovery progress across funding sources. **The Odysseus™ | GMT** is a feature of the Odysseus™ Enterprise Management System which is revolutionizing how the industry is managing its comprehensive emergency management programs. Learn more at www.odysseus-solutions.com.

In addition, we're continually developing and gathering tools and technologies on our website to help our clients and partners proactively manage their COVID-19 response and recovery. By leveraging our expansive team of innovators and technical resources, we're helping our clients navigate all intervals of the pandemic.

If you would like to know about the resources available in your area, please email covid19-response-network@i-s-consulting.com.



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We're ready to help 24/7

OnStar knows the COVID-19 pandemic has created uncertainty and challenges for many of our Members. During these trying times, we want you to know your OnStar service will be there for you, as always. Help or information is only a button-push away, and we have taken steps to ensure our Advisors are safely working from home so they can continue to be available 24/7.

Because this situation affects us all, we have made **Crisis Assist** available and are offering complimentary in-vehicle **data** to current Chevrolet, Buick, GMC and Cadillac owners with properly equipped vehicles during this time.

OnStar continues to support our Members during this pandemic, providing a variety of resources:

Emergency-Certified **Advisors** follow COVID-19 specific guidelines developed with our physician medical director. Advisors can screen for COVID-19 symptoms and communicate information to First Responders.

Advisors can provide routing assistance to nearby COVID-19 testing facilities.

OnStar's Command Center monitors information 24/7 from the CDC, FEMA, DHS and other health, medical and public safety organizations for updated COVID-19 information.

Please know that we are prioritizing critical Member needs to ensure emergency support is delivered without delay.

For more details, visit <https://www.onstar.com/us/en/onstar-cares/>



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ATS is a national leader in **management consulting, staff training and innovative technology solutions** that create awareness, preparedness and readiness for teams in emergency situations and the full spectrum of defense and business operations.

"As a company providing emergency response training and support services, we understand the life, health and economic devastation the COVID-19 epidemic is causing," said Jason Bewley, ATS president. "We offer our heartfelt prayers to those impacted by the virus and those on the front lines supporting the recovery effort."

As the world looks ahead, the focus is turning to **business and operational resilience**. ATS helps companies develop actionable plans with training and compliance measurements ensure the continued function and resilience of the enterprise in any business operating environment. ATS Mission Assurance Service provides an integrated framework of policies and procedures, that identify and prioritize the most critical business functions and reduce risk for a range of business disruptions. The plan secures all personnel, equipment, facilities, networks, information, information systems, infrastructure, and supply chains.

A Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business (SDVOSB), ATS offers technology and services to increase effectiveness in planning, training, and operations.

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Dataminr
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Dataminr extends our deepest gratitude to all the first responders and essential workers who put our safety first every day, and especially during this unprecedented time. We are proud to be a member of NEMA and a trusted partner to the emergency management community by providing breaking news alerts to first responders through our First Alert product for the public sector.

Dataminr is recognized as one of the world's leading AI businesses. Our clients are the first to know about high-impact events and emerging risks so they can mitigate and manage crises more effectively. Dataminr solutions are relied on 24/7 by first responders and hundreds of clients in over 100 countries to help them solve real-world problems.

For additional information about Dataminr, including COVID-19 resources, please visit our website: www.dataminr.com

We're navigating this challenging time together. Thank you for trusting Dataminr to help.

EXCEL **EXCEL** **PLATINUM SPONSOR - DONATED \$2,500**

EXCEL is an exceptional provider of crisis and emergency management, disaster response, recovery, and construction services. As a committed member of NEMA, we partner with states in mitigating and responding to the impacts of disasters, including recent efforts to contain and combat the effects of COVID-19. EXCEL's group of knowledgeable, experienced, and skilled professionals are always ready to support their partner state's emergency response teams.

While continuing to support many states with recovery from past disasters, EXCEL is currently providing the state of Louisiana with COVID-19 emergency response services for a **2,000 patient temporary hospital** inside the New Orleans Convention Center. EXCEL is also supporting Florida's emergency response with **strategic planning as part of the Mass Care Team**, working toward solutions for the **care and feeding needs of the unemployed and underemployed** during the COVID-19 outbreak. Excel will continue to work closely with the state of Florida to support the Mass Care shelter and feeding operations during an anticipated active hurricane season.

Excel is focused on delivering excellence and looks forward to hearing from you.

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MB3 **BRONZE SPONSOR - DONATED \$1,750**

MB3 is proud to work with emergency management agencies and provide grant management software that assists with COVID-19 funding. We are impressed with how quickly our clients were able to adapt in this unprecedented time. State EM

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agencies were able to quickly add the new Public Assistance grant for COVID-19 to their systems and start managing the grant immediately. Our system, **EMGrantsPro**, is the only grant management tool **designed specifically for State Emergency Management Agencies and to date, manages over 40 billion dollars and is used in 17 different States and 1 Territory.**

EMGrantsPro allows our clients to manage grants, applicants, projects, and the entire reimbursement process online - all while collaborating and having access to instant reports. The system has proven to significantly reduce the workload of staff while increasing productivity, ultimately leading to getting funds to applicants faster and speeding up the recovery process. The system helps minimize paperwork and hassle, reimburse faster and with accuracy, stay on top of deadlines and access real-time information.

We would be happy to discuss how we can help other States manage the COVID-19 grant under Public Assistance or many other grant programs. Visit mb3online.com for more information or call 321-206-3784.



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Plum Laboratories, Inc is the leader and innovator in **easy to use, portable, high-**

speed data equipment. At the flip of a single switch, our products enable customers to connect anywhere at any time. We are proud to partner with NEMA to help support emergency management professionals as they prepare for and respond to emergencies, disasters, and pandemic threats to our nation.

Whether it is a wildfire, hurricane, or earthquake, our patented Plum Case™ products are designed for **mission-critical and life-dependent use.** Proven in situations like the 2017 hurricanes, the Plum Case™ provides reliable voice communications and high-speed internet access to coordinate an effective disaster recovery response.

The COVID-19 pandemic has altered many aspects of life. Our country has had to view education, healthcare, and business continuity through a different lens. Our Plum Case™ products can provide easy to use, portable, high-speed internet access for education in remote and rural areas. We can provide connectivity at temporary field hospitals and mobile clinics. A single Plum Case™ can bring up to 248 users on-line with the flip of a switch.

We are honored to partner with those on the front line. Please call us at 855-537-9990 or email to sales@plumcases.com if we can help.

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