The Alarming Forecast for Emergency Response

The winds are changing in emergency response. The frequency of severe natural disasters is increasing, which means those in charge of public safety must be ready to help those who are most at risk during an emergency, including elderly residents and individuals with access and functional needs. Are you prepared to address the hurdles on the horizon?

EVENTS THAT REQUIRE A FAST AND COORDINATED EMERGENCY RESPONSE ARE BECOMING MORE FREQUENT

2000 - 2018
There has been a **37% increase** in wildfires

2016 - 2018
There was a record-breaking average of **15 disasters** per year that each caused billions of dollars in damage

2021 - 2050
Temperatures are projected to **increase by about 2.5°F** - this is expected to trigger a greater frequency of severe weather events

Emergency managers can be caught off guard by how many people will need help during emergency events

The CDC estimates that **12 million** people with access and functional needs were impacted in 2017 by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria

By 2030, people aged 65 years and older will make up **21%** of the U.S. population

12% of the U.S. population between the ages of 16 and 64 have access and functional needs

In a survey of adults age 50 or older, **9%** said they would not be able to quickly exit in an emergency without the help of another person

IF A MAJOR DISASTER HAPPENED TOMORROW, EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAMS COULD FACE MANY ISSUES

60%
Nearly 60% of American adults haven't practiced what to do in a disaster by taking part in drills and disaster preparedness exercises a work, school or home

55%
In a poll, **55% of respondents** said they believe local authorities will come to their rescue if disaster strikes

20%
Only 20% of all emergency managers include content about access and functional needs in their emergency operation plans

During an emergency, those in charge of public safety must be equipped to help everyone in their community. To do so, they need to be prepared to communicate and assist people who are most vulnerable. Learn why online registries can empower teams to provide help to those who need it most.

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