

Regional Logistics Program

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Enhancing Capabilities in Disaster Logistics

THE COMMODITY POINT OF DISTRIBUTION (C-POD)

What is the C-POD?	A key component of the Universal Logistics Standard, the C-POD is a location where life-sustaining commodities are distributed to members of the public.
What makes C-POD Planning unique in our Region?	The NY-NJ-CT-PA Region includes urban areas that cannot be served using traditional Point-of-Distribution models developed in the United States.
How does the C-POD Project benefit my jurisdiction?	During a catastrophe, our Region's jurisdictions need an operational EOC plan and a tactical field operations guide to execute both vehicle and pedestrian-based distribution, for urban and rural environments.

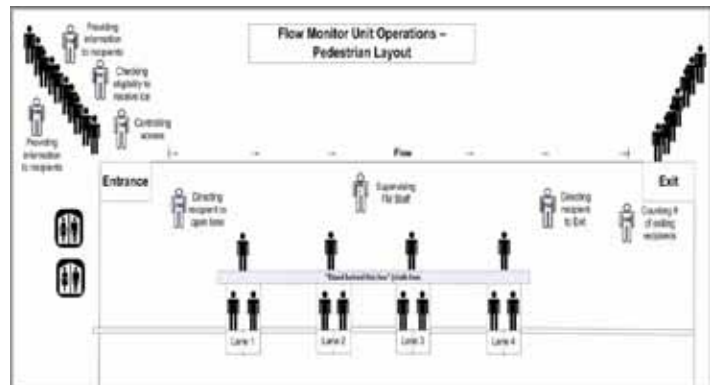
Why the C-POD?

Our Region's local and state agencies need a plan for opening and running efficient points of distribution in order to ensure that the 22,000,000 Americans who live in this Region will continue to have access to life-sustaining commodities during a catastrophe.

What does the C-POD Project provide?

Based on the needs of our regional partners, two documents have been produced as part of this initiative:

1. **Field Operations Guide (FOG)** – a document that is specifically formatted for use by field personnel, which provides tactical guidance on opening and running a commodity point of distribution.
2. **Emergency Operations Center Plan** – a document that provides operations level guidance to agencies and personnel assigned to an EOC, facilitating the effective support of a field operation while providing avenues for effective coordination among agencies.



How did we get here?

The C-POD Project brought together subject matter experts in logistics, material management and emergency management from throughout the region and beyond, representing all levels of government. The team has evaluated plans and received guidance from:

*Academic Papers • Dutchess County OEM • EMAC • FEMA • NJ State Police • NYC OEM • NYS Dept of Agriculture & Markets
NYS Dept of Corrections • NYS OEM • PA Dept of Health • Pike County OEM • Union County OEM • Regional Water Authority
Sussex County Sheriff's Office • USACE • Warren County OEM • Westchester County OEM*

What's next?

- ü The C-POD Plan and FOG are available for download through www.EmergencyLogistics.org.
- ü Continue to roll out components of the RLP's Disaster Logistics Training Program, based on the C-POD Plan, to local, state, and federal partners.
- ü The C-POD Plan and FOG can be localized for use in local jurisdictions.