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## Building Safety Month Helps Prepare Communities for Disaster

*Week 3 of the Code Council's Building Safety Month campaign provides resources and tools to help protect against disasters*

Washington, D.C. – The International Code Council's 43rd annual [Building Safety Month campaign](#) continues into its third week with insight on how building codes can help protect homes and communities from flooding, earthquakes, hurricanes, wildfires and more. Preparing and planning for such disasters can significantly mitigate building damage and help create resilient communities around the world.

[Week Three: Preparing Your Community](#), also demonstrates how adopting and implementing up-to-date building codes and standards can save lives, save billions of dollars and protect property for generations to come.

"By raising awareness about the importance of codes, maintenance and other building safety measures, we can help ensure that our homes and communities are more resilient and better able to withstand potential disasters," said President of the Code Council Board of Directors Michael Wich, CBO. "Building Safety Month provides us with the opportunity to increase awareness and empower individuals to be proactive and help create safer, stronger and more resilient communities."

2023 Building Safety Month sponsors include the [American Gas Association](#) (AGA), [Society of Fire Protection Engineers](#), [State Farm](#) and more. To learn more about sponsorship opportunities, click [here](#).

"AGA is once again proud to be a Foundational Sponsor of the Code Council's Building Safety Month held each May. AGA has been a leader in advancing safety codes and standards across the industry to help protect customers, communities and employees, while continuing to deliver the reliable energy Americans expect," said Karen Harbert, AGA president and CEO. "We have an extensive history partnering with the Code Council and our support for Building Safety Month continues to demonstrate that ongoing partnership."

More information about Building Safety Month, including details regarding virtual events and downloadable resources, can be found at [buildingsafetymonth.org](https://buildingsafetymonth.org).

Communities have begun to issue proclamations declaring May 2023 as Building Safety Month. View the proclamations or submit one [here](#).

To participate in Building Safety Month:

- Join us on social media and help [spread the word](#). #BuildingSafety365
- Download the [promotional toolkit](#) to promote Building Safety Month.
- Discover [resources](#) for planning Building Safety Month events.
- Check out some of our [member-generated content](#) for Building Safety Month.
- Get kids involved and visit the [Kids Corner](#) for more resources.

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### **About the International Code Council**

The [International Code Council](#) is the leading global source of model codes and standards and building safety solutions. Code Council codes, standards and solutions are used to ensure safe, affordable and sustainable communities and buildings worldwide.