The University of Georgia Office of Security & Emergency Preparedness (OSEP) provides a comprehensive homeland security and emergency management program for the University of Georgia in order to save lives, protect property, promote continuity of operations, and reduce the overall effects of large-scale disasters. This annual report reflects major programs, initiatives and training during fiscal year 2011 (July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011).

Major Accomplishments

- Organized and coordinated UGA’s participation in National Preparedness Month in September which included an active shooter lecture, an information fair promoting emergency preparedness for students and a large public safety vehicle display
- Developed and distributed 1,576 pocket-sized emergency guidebooks for faculty and staff that contains emergency contact numbers, information on emergency notification systems and instructions on how to respond to a variety of emergency situations
- Created a new UGA Emergency Notification Plan and coordinated the installation of a new outdoor tornado warning siren for the East Campus corridor

Program Initiatives

- Coordinated 13 new Automatic External Defibrillator (AED) program additions with the installation of AEDs in the Administration Building, Human Resources Building, the Gwinnett Campus, Staff Training and Development, Botanical Garden Visitor Center, Conner Hall, Clark Howell Hall, McPhaul Childcare Center, Hodgson Oil Building, Old College and Stegeman Coliseum
- Obtained a grant totaling $3,000 to design and print 3,500 wallet-sized, emergency guidebooks to be distributed during the new student orientation sessions
- Received $9,025 in grant funding from the Citizen’s Corps program to fund UGA Campus Emergency Response Team (UGA CERT) in conjunction with Athens-Clarke County Fire and Emergency Services
- Held three, eight-week UGA CERT training programs which added an additional 38 faculty, staff and students to the 126-member UGA CERT program

Education, Service and Outreach

- Conducted or participated in 15 emergency drills and exercises, including the coordination of the statewide severe weather drill and three full-scale emergency exercises on the UGA campus
- Provided training to 22,113 faculty, staff, students and parents through 256 training sessions
- Distributed 24,224 departmental emergency preparedness materials (brochures, newsletters, NOAA radios, etc.) to faculty, staff, students, visitors and parents
- Provided technical assistance and training materials to over 26 requesting higher education institutions, including the University of North Carolina, Shawnee State University, Virginia Tech, University of Tennessee, Auburn University, University of Alabama, University of Central Florida, University of North Dakota, University of Wisconsin-Madison, the U.S. Department of Education and other institutions
- Held 4 Building Safety and Security Representatives “Brown Bag” lunch training sessions on responding to medical emergencies, use of evacuation chairs, fire safety and information security
- Provided 94 copies of the “Plan, Prepare, React” active shooter training video to requesting colleges, universities and local, state and federal law enforcement agencies, including the United States Department of Education, the United States Marshals Service, the United States Department of Homeland Security, Purdue University, Indiana University and Cornell University