



UPDATED PROGRAM – Event on Fri., May 21

ADVISORY:

E9-1-1 Institute, Congressional E9-1-1 Caucus, and Citizen Corps Launching Local Events to Raise Emergency Services Awareness

WHAT'S HAPPENING:

- The Congressional E9-1-1 Caucus, the E9-1-1 Institute, and Citizen Corps (the Department of Homeland Security's grassroots outreach office) are joining forces to launch a series of educational events in Congressional districts across the country.
- Local events will touch on questions such as: How does our local emergency response system work, and what role can citizens play in hometown security? Who are the heroes behind our local 9-1-1 system? Does our community have advanced technology for detecting the location of wireless callers? What is a family disaster communications plan?

WHO WILL BE THERE:

- **Gregory Rohde**, Executive Director of The E9-1-1 Institute
- **C.Suzanne Mencer**, Director of the Office for Domestic Preparedness, Department of Homeland Security
- **Members of the Congressional E9-1-1 Caucus (tentative)**

WHEN: Friday, May 21, 2004, 9:30 am to 10:15 am

WHERE: 138 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC

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The E9-1-1 Institute (www.e911institute.org) is a not-for-profit organization which provides administrative and policy support to the Congressional E9-1-1 Caucus. The purpose of the E9-1-1 Institute is to promote public education and awareness of E9-1-1 and emergency communications issues and serve the Congressional E9-1-1 Caucus as a facilitator of dialogue and clearinghouse of information. The Caucus is co-chaired by Senator Conrad Burns (R-MT), Senator Hillary Clinton (D-NY), Congressman John Shimkus (R-IL) and Congresswoman Anna Eshoo (D-CA). Gregory L. Rohde, former Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, serves as the Institute's Executive Director.

Citizen Corps (www.citizencorps.gov) is the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's nationwide grassroots movement to involve all Americans in making our communities safer, stronger, and better prepared for emergencies. Through a nationwide network of more than 1,100 local Councils, Citizen Corps brings together the homeland security expertise of emergency responders with the energy and spirit of volunteer programs, the private sector and other community stakeholders to engage the whole community.

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