

# 6 Berwyn 2021 MJ-HMP Jurisdictional Annual Report

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## Annual Reporting Year: 2021

**Background:** Cook County and participating municipalities in the county developed a hazard mitigation plan to reduce risk from all hazards by identifying resources, information, and strategies for risk reduction. The federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires state and local governments to develop hazard mitigation plans as a condition for federal disaster grant assistance. To prepare the plan, the participating partners organized resources, assessed risks from natural hazards within the county, developed planning goals and objectives, reviewed mitigation alternatives, and developed an action plan to address probable impacts from natural hazards. By completing this process, these jurisdictions maintained compliance with the Disaster Mitigation Act, achieving eligibility for mitigation grant funding opportunities afforded under the Robert T. Stafford Act.

**Purpose:** The purpose of this report is to provide an annual update on the implementation of the action plan identified in the Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The objective is to ensure that there is a continuing and responsive planning process that will keep the Hazard Mitigation Plan dynamic and responsive to the needs and capabilities of the partner jurisdictions. This report discusses the following:

- Natural hazard events that have occurred within the last year
- Changes in risk exposure within the planning area (all of Cook County) Mitigation success stories
- Review of the action plan
- Changes in capabilities that could impact plan implementation
- Recommendations for changes/enhancement.

## Hazard Analysis

Hazards that represent a county-wide risk are addressed in the Risk Assessment section of the 2019 Cook County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. This section only addresses the hazards and their associated impacts that are **relevant** and **unique** to the municipality.

**Flooding:** In 2000, very heavy rains caused urban flooding throughout the community with all major intersections underwater for nearly four hours. Flooding continues to be a problem, especially as the result of heavy rains.

**Severe Weather and Wind:** In 1995, due to a thunderstorm two trees toppled over, one landed on the roof of a house. Another tree branch fell on a house and a van. Wind damage continues to be an issue, especially for above-ground powerlines and trees. Power Outages can occur and are especially a problem for critical facilities.

## Natural Hazard Events in 2021

**Instructions:** Please use the **Edit** Tool to describe new hazard occurrences/incidents from the past year that have impacted your jurisdiction and had a measurable impact on people or property. (Example: A tornado occurred on [Date] and impacted [insert area] and caused damage to [insert damages]). You may also use the Edit Tool to suggest any modifications/improvements to the hazards unique to your community, as described below from the 2019 plan.

Describe 2021 Natural Hazard Events Here: [NONE]

## Mitigation Strategies and Actions

The heart of the mitigation plan is the mitigation strategy, which serves as the long-term blueprint for reducing the potential losses identified in the risk assessment. The mitigation strategy describes how the community will accomplish the overall purpose, or mission, of the planning process.

## New Mitigation Actions

Please submit [here](#)

## Ongoing Mitigation Actions

The following are ongoing actions. During the 2019 update, these "ongoing" mitigation actions and projects were modified and/or amended, as needed. Reviewers of this report should refer to the Hazard Mitigation Plan for more detailed descriptions of each action and the prioritization process. Address the following for each mitigation action:

- Was any element of the action carried out during the reporting period?
- If no action was completed, why?
- Is the timeline for implementation or the action still appropriate?
- If the action was completed, does it need to be changed or removed from the action plan?

TABLE: HAZARD MITIGATION ACTION PLAN MATRIX

Completion status legend: N = New    O = Action Ongoing toward Completion C = Project Completed    R = Want Removed from Annex    X = No Action Taken								
2021 Status	2020 Status	2019 Status	Hazards Mitigated	Objectives Met	Lead Agencies	Estimated Cost	Sources of Funding	Timeline/Projected Completion Date (a)
<b>Action B4.1</b> —Where appropriate, support retrofitting, purchase, or relocation of structures in hazard-prone areas to prevent future structure damage. Give priority to properties with exposure to repetitive losses.								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
O	Ongoing	Ongoing	All	7, 13	Berwyn	High	FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grants	Long-term (depending on funding)
<b>Action B4.2</b> —Continue to support the countywide actions identified in this plan.								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
O	Ongoing	Ongoing	All	All	Berwyn	Low	General Fund	Short- and long-term
<b>Action B4.3</b> —Actively participate in the plan maintenance strategy identified in this plan.								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
O	Ongoing	Ongoing	All	3, 4, 6	DHSEM, Berwyn	Low	General Fund	Short-term
<b>Action B4.4</b> —Consider participation in incentive-based programs such as Tree City, and StormReady.								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
O	Participating	Ongoing	All	3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13	Berwyn	Low	General Fund	Long-term
<b>Action B4.5</b> —Consider participation in the National Flood Insurance program as non-mapped, participating community.								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
O	Ongoing	Ongoing	Flooding	4, 6, 9	Berwyn	Low	General Fund	Short-term and ongoing
<b>Action B4.6</b> —Where feasible, implement a program to record high water marks following high-water events.								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
X	Where feasible	Ongoing	Flooding, Severe Weather	3, 6, 9	Berwyn	Medium	General Fund; FEMA Grant Funds (Public Assistance)	Long-term
<b>Action B4.7</b> —Integrate the hazard mitigation plan into other plans, programs, or resources that dictate land use or redevelopment.								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
O	Ongoing	Ongoing	All	3, 4, 6, 10, 13	Public Works, City Engineer, Novotney & Associates	Low	General Fund	Short-term
<b>Action B4.8</b> —Consider having the City's building code enforcement program evaluated under the Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule.								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
O	Ongoing	Ongoing	All Hazards	3, 10	Berwyn	Low	General Fund	Long term
<b>Action B4.9</b> —Publicize, train, and maintain a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
ON HOLD DUE TO COVID	Started	New	All	6	Berwyn Emergency Management Agency	\$10,000; Medium	Local Funds, Grants	Start up and training 2021
<b>Action B4.10</b> —Publicize, train, and maintain Citizens Fire and Police Academies.								
<b>Status Description:</b>								
ON HOLD DUE TO COVID	On hold due to COVID	New	All	6	Berwyn Fire and Police departments	\$10,000; Medium	Local Funds	Ongoing

(a) Ongoing indicates continuation of an action that is already in place. Short-term indicates implementation within five years. Long-term indicates implementation after five years.

**Mitigation Success Stories:** Examples of mitigation success stories include, but are not limited to: received a Grant, completed a major mitigation project, etc.

**Future Needs:** Examples of future needs include, but are not limited to: receiving training to better understand the mitigation grant application process, studies that may be needed to better understand hazards/risks, etc.