Building Safety Month 2022 Safety for All: Building Codes in Action

Join us as we participate in the <u>42nd annual Building Safety</u> <u>Month</u> (BSM), a worldwide campaign presented by the International Code Council, its members and partners to promote building safety.

Homes and buildings that are built in compliance with building safety codes and the officials who enforce the codes are essential to helping communities become affordable, resilient, and energy and water-efficient.

In honor of this year's campaign, "Safety for All: Building Codes in Action," we'd like to showcase the people who work in the field and highlight the unsung heroes of building and fire safety.

If you work in or are involved with building and fire safety community and would like to educate the public about the important work that you do, please record a 10-15 second clip highlighting the ways that our building and fire safety community keeps us safe, and send the clip to PR@dhcd.virginia.gov.

We'll be showcasing the clips during different weeks over the month of May, in keeping with the weekly themes:

- Week 1, May 1-8 | Energy and Innovation
- Week 2, May 9-15 | Building Safety Careers
- Week 3, May 16-22 | Disaster Preparedness
- Week 4, May 23-31 | Water Safety

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If you're interested in highlighting the important work that you do for the building and fire safety community, we're also offering these simple prompts to help guide your short clip:

- Why do you love your job?
- What is the most innovative idea you've implemented in your field?
- What was a critical project you led, and what was its outcome?
- Tell a story about a time when something went wrong, and you were called upon to respond quickly and effectively
- What does building safety mean to you?
- What do you think of when you hear codes and water safety?
- In your role, how have you contributed to disaster preparedness?

Building Safety Month provides homeowners, government officials, and the public with the necessary information and resources to prepare and protect our built environment. Help us raise awareness about the integral work being done by our building and fire code safety community, and participate in the 42nd annual Building Safety Month!

If you have any questions, email PR@dhcd.virginia.gov