

Illinois Alliance for Response Kick-Off Forum

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Chicago History Museum, Chicago, IL

The Illinois Alliance for Response Kick-Off Forum, held June 29, 2022 at the Chicago History Museum was developed by the Chicago Alliance for Response Steering Committee, in cooperation with the Chicago History Museum, the Foundation for Advancement in Conservation (FAIC), the Heritage Emergency National Task Force (HENTF), and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Speakers represented a range of organizations, including FAIC, HENTF, Titan Security, the Field Museum, the Ho-Chunk Nation Museum, and Northwestern University Libraries. Presentations included “When the Going Gets Tough: Federal Response for Cultural Heritage,” “Cross-Sector Collaboration: Best Practices for Cultural Institutions,” “Collaborating for Water Triage Response at the Ho-Chunk Nation Museum,” “How the Chicago History Museum Prepares for and Responds to Collections Emergencies,” and “Mold Outbreak at a University Library: Response and Lessons Learned.”

The forum concluded with a group discussion facilitated by the Steering Committee on next steps for the Illinois Alliance for Response Network, including what attendees would be interested in seeing for future events and programming.