

Who Needs Building Codes?

All communities need building codes to protect their citizens from every day disasters like fires, weather-related events such as floods, and structural collapse that follows deterioration over time of buildings of all kinds. Model building codes, adopted and enforced by well-trained, professional code officials are society's best way of protecting homes, offices, schools, manufacturing facilities, stores and places of entertainment.

Building Safety Month is an international celebration of all aspects of building safety that helps families, employers and leaders understand and appreciate the best practices that keep the places where we live, work and play safe.



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Prevent, Prepare, Protect. BUILDING CODES SAVE.

Modern, regularly updated building codes and a strong system of code enforcement ensure that individuals and communities are safe in the buildings where they live, work and play. The campaign is supported by four core themes that will be highlighted throughout May of 2021, including:



WEEK ONE // MAY 1–9, 2021

Energy and Innovation

Making communities more resilient with science and technology based code requirements.



WEEK TWO // MAY 10–16, 2021

Training the Next Generation

Working with the industry to train the next generation of building safety professionals.



WEEK THREE // MAY 17–23, 2021

Water Safety

Helping to make smart decisions about water safety and conservation.



WEEK FOUR // MAY 24–31, 2021

Disaster Preparedness

Making sure communities are prepared for natural and manmade disasters.

Why is Building Safety Month important today?

For the last 41 years, the Code Council, its 64,000 members, and a diverse partnership of professionals from the building construction, design and safety communities have come together to celebrate Building Safety Month.

Building Safety Month provides education for the public about solutions that improve the safety, sustainability and resiliency of buildings, infrastructure and communities. Properly administered and up-to-date safety codes reduce loss of life and property damage. Contemporary planning, building materials, design and construction can make our communities more resilient in the aftermath of disasters, fires and other events. Building Safety Month unites industries, associations, academia and government under a common goal to protect the public by creating a safe and resilient built environment.

