



Prince George's County
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Building Safety Month Focuses International Attention on Safety



May marks Building Safety Month, the annual campaign created by the International Code Council (ICC) to spotlight the need for safety and sustainability in building through the adoption of current building codes. The effort, commemorated for the 45th time in 2025, also works to educate the public about the elements needed to ensure safe structures.

DPIE works to enforce applicable building codes in Prince George's. Communities need building codes to protect residents from disasters such as fires, weather-related events and structural collapse. Building codes are society's best way of protecting homes, offices, schools, manufacturing facilities, stores and entertainment venues, according to the ICC.

The 2025 Building Safety Month campaign theme is "Game On!" and includes these special weekly themes.

Week 1 — The Warm Up (May 1–3): Discover how building safety impacts our daily lives including the places where we work, learn and play.

Week 2 — Build Your Offense (May 4–10): Create a plan to actively support building safety programs in your community.

Week 3 — Build Your Defense (May 11–17): Stay prepared for natural hazards such as severe weather, wildfires, earthquakes and more with our disaster toolkits.

Week 4 — The Starting Lineup (May 18–24): Meet building safety professionals and learn about rewarding careers in building safety.

Week 5 — Going into Overtime (May 25–31): See what's next for the building safety industry, including global trends, artificial intelligence and more.

Read more about [Building Safety Month](#) on the ICC website.