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Speaker Bio:

Christy currently resides in Las Vegas, Nevada and has the benefit of being a part of all that is involved with being in an event city. She received her bachelor's degree in Community Health Education and her Masters in Crisis and Emergency Management. She spent her early professional years working in emergency services before taking some time off to be at stay-at-home mom, during which time she volunteered with many organizations including a children's literacy program, the American Red Cross, and Faith- Based Organizations. Upon her return to work she spent some time with the Clark County Fire Department Office of Emergency Management and is currently working as the Public Outreach and Volunteer Coordinator for the City of Henderson, Division of Emergency Preparedness in the Department of Emergency Management. She spends her time developing public education programs and looking for ways to strengthen the resilience of the community.

Presentation Title:

Preparedness Takes Action, but Safety is a Feeling

Think of a time when you didn't feel safe. Now, think of what helps you feel safe. As a 911 dispatcher, I was the voice on the other end of one of the worst moments of someone's life. I knew I couldn't prevent many of those things, but what if I could do something to help people feel safer or more prepared when those things happen? Feeling safe is one of the greatest tools we have in teaching preparedness and strengthening resilience in our communities.