Metro engagement activities and associated level of risk

The following demonstrates types of engagement activities that occur at Metro and their associated risk level. Level of risk listed is the highest possible for that activity. Risks can be reduced by making events virtual or through safety measures planned into in-person activities.

Activity category	Description	Metro examples	Level of risk*
Virtual engagement	Metro staff and community members use various online technologies to conduct meetings, activities, and events	Technologies used can include MS Teams, Zoom, social media, and other digital platforms	No risk
Self-led activity	Staff created activity no staff in-person interaction, Metro creates materials for groups or individuals to conduct their own activities	Education kits, self-guided tour of a facility or park	Low risk
One-on-one engagement	Metro staff and community member, in person, indoors or outdoors	Educators, interviews, storytelling, relationship building, ongoing communications with partners, interactions with visitors and guests	More risk
Exchange/Tabling	Metro staff at a community led event, interacting with multiple individuals or groups, indoors or outdoors over the course of several hours—these are in person events	Table at a farmer's market, sharps exchanges, park educators, hazardous waste drop-off	Higher risk
Metro led group engagement activities	Metro staff leading a group of community members in an activity, indoors or outdoors	Focus groups, advisory committee meetings, webinars, forums, workshops, stakeholder meetings	More risk/ Highest risk
Community-led group engagement activities	Metro staff supporting an activity that is led by a community group, indoors or outdoors	Placemaking and community- building activities, community- led forums, workshops, celebrations and festivals	More risk/ Highest risk

^{*}From the Center for Disease Control Events and Gatherings: Readiness and Planning Tool https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/community/COVID19-events-gatherings-readiness-and-planning-tool.pdf

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The risk of COVID-19 spreading at events and gatherings increases as follows:

- No to lowest risk Virtual-only activities, events, and gatherings
- More risk Smaller outdoor gatherings in which individuals from different households remain spaced at least 6 feet apart, wear cloth face coverings, do not share objects, and come from the same local area (e.g., a community, town, city, or county)
- **Higher risk** Medium-sized in-person gatherings that are organized/laid out to allow individuals to remain spaced at least 6 feet apart, some wear cloth face coverings and come from outside the local area (e.g., a community, town, city, or county)
- **Highest risk** Large in-person gatherings where it is difficult for individuals to remain spaced at least 6 feet apart, do not wear cloth face coverings and travel from outside the local area (e.g. out of state/country)