

ANNEX E (Law Enforcement) to the Trumbull County Emergency Operations Plan.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT**

I. PURPOSE

Provides for the execution of assigned emergency tasks through the coordination of the various law enforcement agencies

II. SITUATION AND ASSUMPTIONS

A. Situation

1. During emergencies, law enforcement must expand their operations to provide the increased protection required by disaster conditions.
2. The Trumbull County Sheriff's Department is located at 150 High St. NW, Warren, Ohio 44481, and Phone (330) 675-2508.

The Ohio State Patrol Warren Post is located on 3424 Parkman Road NW Warren, OH 44470, and Phone (330) 898-2311.

3. State and federal law enforcement organizations may assist at the request of local authorities.

B. Assumptions

1. Activities of local law enforcement agencies will increase significantly during emergency operations.
2. Mutual Aid may provide additional resources and services needed in an emergency.
3. If local and county capabilities are overwhelmed, support can be obtained from state and/or federal enforcement agencies, including military support. Any activation should contact FBI as soon as possible in addition to initial call/page regarding potential sabotage. Additionally, FBI should be contacted at the earliest indication that resources may be overwhelmed.

III. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

A. General

1. Emergency law enforcement will be an expansion of normal functions and responsibilities.

2. Each law enforcement agency will retain responsibility and authority within their jurisdiction.
3. All emergencies will be handled according to day-to-day operations as long as possible.
4. The maintenance of law and order and the protection of lives and property will be the objective of each law enforcement agency.
5. In conjunction with the fire service, law enforcement personnel are first-line responders to all routine or emergency situations.
6. The National Incident Management System and Incident Command System will be the standard for command and control in an emergency operation.

B. Deploying Personnel

1. On-duty officers are notified of emergencies according to local Standard Operating Guides. Each jurisdiction serves as the dispatch point for its personnel and resources.
2. Off-duty and auxiliary deputies are notified by telephone and/or pagers from their respective agencies.
3. The **911** Center & PSAP's for Law Enforcement, fire departments, and EMS units.
4. A written mutual aid agreement with all law enforcement agencies within Trumbull County is presently in effect. There is a written mutual aid agreement for counties surrounding Trumbull County.
5. Call down is implemented according to the written SOPs.

C. Reporting Information

1. Information concerning damage assessment, evacuation status, etc... will be forwarded to the **911** Center.
2. Should the EOC be activated, this information will be forwarded to appropriate agencies and/or organizations.
3. Inquiries concerning individuals injured or missing and casualties will be handled by the Red Cross.

D. Prisoners

1. Prisoners will be transported and jailed in surrounding jurisdictions or other facilities designated by the Trumbull County Sheriff's Dept.
2. If prisoners cannot be moved, the Sheriff/Police Chief will initiate protective actions to insulate them from the effects of a hazard.

E. Evacuation

1. In the event of an evacuation the Sheriff's Office will assist local law enforcement agencies and response groups with the warning and movement to shelters of individuals and families within the area to be evacuated.
2. The Command Post or EOC will determine the locations for safe areas. Listings for these safe areas and shelters will be available at the Command Post and EOC, once designated.
3. Additional information can be found in Annex J Evacuation and Annex K Shelter/Mass Care.

F. Traffic Control

1. Traffic control is a major problem in any emergency, but escalates in major disasters. Relatives and/or friends of persons involved in the incident and the curious will converge on the area and may hinder response effort.
2. Major traffic will be re-routed around the damaged area, and a continuous flow of traffic maintained, to the extent possible.
3. When evacuation routes are determined, access roads will be barricaded. Traffic control points will be established along these routes to assist evacuees and to maintain a continuous flow of traffic toward reception centers and/or shelters.

G. Security

1. Security will be provided at reception centers, shelters, and feeding facilities as resources permit.
2. Security will be provided by the Sheriff's Department at the Emergency Operations Center. Security will also be provided at other key facilities, as needs are identified, and personnel are available.

3. The disaster area will be secured by establishing roadblocks and setting up barricades at selected locations. Roadblocks on major roads will be manned continuously.
4. Access to the disaster area will be limited. Emergency response and other authorized personnel will be required to show identification and have proper PPE for the hazard. Others will be admitted only with approval of the Incident Commander or other person in authority.
5. If possible and conditions warrant, Law Enforcement Personnel shall patrol the evacuated area to protect against looting. Unauthorized persons found in the area will be placed under arrest.
6. Security will be established at all Trumbull County Hospitals when needed.
7. Major businesses and industries within the evacuated area should consider the use of private security to guard against looting.

#### H. Phases of Emergency Management

1. Mitigation
  - a. Review/prepare mutual-aid agreements.
  - b. Determine areas vulnerable to sabotage, hostage and terrorist threats.
  - c. Provide information determined above to PIO for training, planning and public information purposes.
  - d. Identify resources, i.e., vehicles, equipment, etc. available for police service function.
  - e. Review and update plans and SOPs.
2. Preparedness
  - a. Assist in preparing plans and SOPs for the police departments that lack specific emergency guidelines.
  - b. Prepare plans for traffic control during an evacuation.

- c. Provide education and training to personnel from other agencies that may assist in traffic control during an evacuation.
- d. Train response staff and volunteers to perform assigned emergency functions.
- e. Coordinate with the Fire Services Coordinator, Emergency Management Director, and Shelter/Mass Coordinator on evacuation movement.
- f. Determine probable traffic control points on evacuation routes.

3. Response

- a. Report status at the site to EOC representatives to include evacuation status, casualties, damage observations and related information.
- b. Coordinate EOC staff operations for law enforcement activities.
- c. Provide security and traffic control for EOC.
- d. Ensure that essential police records are protected from the hazard.
- e. Provide security to shelter and key facilities if resources are available.
- f. Patrol evacuated and disaster areas if possible.
- g. Ensures that food, water, emergency power, fuel, and other material support to dispatch center and response personnel.
- h. Provide traffic and crowd control.
- i. Control access to restricted areas.
- j. Maintain records.
- k. Provide Radiological support, as appropriate, especially for traffic control.

- I. In the event of suspected terrorist activity and/or sabotage, contact the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

4. Recovery

- a. Support cleanup/recovery operations.
- b. Phase down when directed by Executive Group.
- c. Release any auxiliary forces and volunteers.
- d. Assist in damage assessment.
- e. Assist in return of evacuees to homes.

#### IV. ORGANIZATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

##### A. Law Enforcement Agencies:

1. Maintain law and order.
2. Coordinate all law enforcement activities in the county.
3. Provide for traffic control and monitor impediments to traffic flow.
4. Provide security for key facilities.
5. Provide 24-hour communications and warning.
6. Limit access into controlled area.
7. May provide personnel for damage assessment.
8. Advise support agencies regarding road access and law enforcement activities within the county.
9. Coordinate use of signs, barricades, etc. with the County Engineer for perimeter control.
10. Coordinate use of Ohio National Guard personnel and Ohio State Patrol.

##### B. Considerations for local law enforcement

1. Maintain law and order.

2. Provide traffic and crowd control.
3. Provide security and limit access to controlled areas.
4. Assist other law enforcement agencies.

C. Considerations for Public Works

1. Position and/or provide traffic control devices, such as barricades, covers, and lights, as requested.
2. Provide personnel as available.

D. Considerations for the Ohio National Guard

1. Support local law enforcement agencies, when requested.

V. DIRECTION AND CONTROL

A. The Trumbull County Sheriff is responsible for coordinating emergency law enforcement activities within the county. Police agencies will have the authority and responsibility within their respective jurisdictions. The sheriff, or a designated representative, will serve as the law enforcement coordinator in the EOC. Routine law enforcement procedures will be followed where feasible. The establishment of priorities and coordination between law enforcement units will be effected through the EOC. State and Federal support will be requested through the EOC, but only after local resources have been expended or deployed.

1. Local governments are responsible for coordinating law enforcement activities within other jurisdictions.
2. The Sheriff or his designee will serve as the Law Enforcement Coordinator within the EOC.
3. Routine law enforcement activities will be conducted according to standard operating procedures from usual locations when possible. The Command Post Law Enforcement Coordinator will set priorities for resources and coordinate activities of the various forces.
4. Mutual aid forces will function under the supervision of their supervisors. Coordination of their use will be directed by the chief law enforcement official at the Command Post in the jurisdiction in which they are operating.

5. Auxiliary and volunteer forces will work under the supervision of the chief law enforcement official in the jurisdiction to which they are sent or activated. Certified officers shall be armed and have arrest powers.
6. Supporting military forces will work under the direct supervision of their superiors and will assist the chief law enforcement official of the jurisdiction to which they are sent.

## VI. CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT

- A. The line of succession for the Law Enforcement Coordinator shall be as follows:
  1. Chief Deputy Sheriff
  2. Major of Operations, Trumbull County Sheriff's Department
- B. Protection of Vital Records
  1. All records essential to the continuation of government and law enforcement functions will be secured and protected. Refer to Appendix A, Procedures for the Relocation and Safeguarding of Vital Records, in the Basic Plan.
- C. Protection of Government Resources
  1. Refer to **Tab 3**, Procedures for the Protection of Government Resources, Facilities, and Personnel, in Annex N Resource Management.

## VII. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- A. General
  1. Emergency authority granted to law enforcement officials will be as described in the Ohio Revised Code.
  2. Law enforcement agencies to maintain current maps, charts and current notification/recall rosters which are implemented during emergencies.

B. Emergency Authority

1. Emergency authority granted to law enforcement officials will be as described in the Ohio Revised Code.

County authorities are advised to consult their legal advisors before assuming emergency powers.

2. Additional Emergency Authority Considerations

- a. Purchasing emergency materials
- b. Commandeering equipment
- c. Pressing citizens into services

C. Logistical Support

1. Logistical support for food, water, emergency power and lighting, fuel, etc., for response personnel will be coordinated through the law enforcement coordinator within the activated EOC.

D. Mutual-Aid Agreements

1. The County Police Departments request and accept mutual aid on an incident-by-incident case.

VIII. PLAN DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE

A. Law enforcement organizations in Trumbull County have countywide mutual aid. Mutual aid can be activated by any of the participating law enforcement organizations. State aid can be requested in accordance with **Tab 2** of the Basic Plan. Aid from the State Bureau of Criminal Identification and from the Federal Bureau of Investigation is requested through designated county law enforcement channels.

B. The County Sheriff and police chiefs of Trumbull County are responsible for developing SOPs that address in detail the assigned responsibilities to be performed during emergencies.

C. The Trumbull County Sheriff is responsible for making changes to this annex based upon deficiencies identified through drills, exercises, emergencies and changes in government function. The County Emergency Management Director will publish, distribute and forward all

revisions to this annex to all organizations with implementation responsibilities.

IX. AUTHORITIES AND REFERENCES

A. **Authorities**

Not used. See Basic Plan.

B. **References**

Not used. See Basic Plan.

X. ADDENDUMS

See (Annex R—All Phone Numbers) for Police Departments phone numbers and addresses.

XI. AUTHENTICATION

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Trumbull County Sheriff