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McHenry County Emergency Management Agency Monthly Report for June 2024 By David A. Christensen, Director

Planned Events:

 Harvard Milk Days and Parade – Emergency Services Volunteers supported the event(s) with parade route monitoring (passive traffic control), command post operations, weather observations, and public safety coordination.

Exercises:

None.

Response:

- EMA and its volunteers responded to three severe weather activations. Very limited damage to buildings (primarily in Hebron) were noted. Each storm had fallen limbs/trees and power lines down with some road blockages.
- EMA and its volunteer search and rescue team assisted both Elgin and Sheridan with missing persons searches.

Planning:

- EMA participated in the plan reviews (Incident Action Plans) for a private rodeo event, and a music event.
- EMA Staff attended the McHenry County Fair preparation meetings.
- EMA continued to update and modify its "One Responder" and "Resource Inventory Systems" to ensure compliance with latest IEMA / FEMA mandates.

Training:

- Emergency Services Volunteers attended the following training session: Intro to EMA (final checkpoint).
- Chief Deputy Director Loyd hosted and attended the Incident Command System
 to Emergency Operations Center Interface class and the G-2300 Intermediate
 Emergency Operations Center Functions which is a three-day course that aims
 to help individuals and jurisdictions develop or improve their Emergency
 Operations Centers.
- Director Christensen attended the International Association of Emergency Managers Region 5 virtual seminar. Topics included the Ohio train derailment and resiliency efforts.

Special Events:

None.

Looking ahead in 2024:

• EMA has forward progress on several planning projects, some of which contribute to its **accreditation**. These include:

- Meeting with McHenry County manufacturers to discuss recovery and resiliency efforts.
- National Qualification System compliance measures for Emergency Operations Centers.
- Continuity of Operations / Continuity of Government Planning (enhanced state requirements).
- National Weather Service Storm Ready County designation.
- Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan annual meeting preparation.

EMA event support requests:

Dates	Event	Equipment	Logistics
8/1/24	Huntley Full Scale Exercise	None	8 volunteers
8/8/24	National Night Out (Cary)	Light Trailers	
7/29 – 8/4	McHenry County Fair	Command Post / Light Trailers / Generators	volunteers
9/24	Huntley Fall Fest	Command Post/Light Trailers	volunteers
9/28	Lakewood Festival	Light Trailers	

Among other duties:

- Illinois Emergency Services and Management Association (IESMA) Committee meetings
- National Qualification System research and implementation
- Illinois Homeland Security Advisory Committee (EM Committee)
- Metro Regional Training Coordinators
- Metro County Coordinators
- IESMA Administrative Rule Committee
- IESMA Legislative Committee

All Lifelines remained stable throughout the month.

















A Lifeline enables the continuous operation of government functions and critical business and is essential to human health and safety or economic security.

Primary Concerns:

- 1. Cyber Security and Countermeasures
- Emergency Management Performance Grants (enhanced requirements) Administrative Rule changes coming
- 3. National Qualification Standards for Emergency Operations Centers
- 4. Continuity of Operations (COOP) and Continuity of Government (COG) planning

Significant Events:

1. None

Response:

- 1. Multiple severe weather activations.
- 2. Two Search and Rescue out of county searches.

Planning:

- 1. McHenry County Emergency Operations Center Procedures and National Qualifications
- 2. Local Emergency Operations Plans (local municipalities)
- 3. National Qualifications System Planning
- 4. School Emergency Response Plans

Summary of Volunteer Hours	Total Hours Worked
Operations	(8)
-Communications	38.00
-Search & Rescue	11.50
-Weather	29.50
-General	346.00
Logistics	
-Support	20.75
-EOC Staff Support	23.50
-Training	0.00
Total Monthly Hours	469.25
Total YTD Hours Donated for 2024	1831.50

Performance Indicators:	<u>Month</u>	YTD	2024 Projected
Number of Volunteers	47		80
EMA Staff Training Sessions	12	37	40
Volunteer Training Sessions	7	57	80
Community	0	2	15
Presentations/Outreach			
(NHMP Action Item 23)			
Disaster Exercises	1	6	10
(Intergovernmental & County)			
Mutual Aid Response (SAR,	6	13	20
Rehab, EMA, MABAS, Weather)			
Emergency Management	0	7	6
Development (Coordinating			
Council)			
Technical Advisory Assistance	3	16	20
for Municipal & Township Gov			
(EOP, ETSB, Fire Chief's)			
Event Coordination (Incident	1	10	15
Action Plan, Communications)			
Develop/Revise COOP, EOP,	1	4	15
Hazard Mitigation & School Plans			

2023 Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Status

		Board Approval
Communities	Algonquin	Х
	Barrington Hills	X
	Bull Valley	X
	Cary	X
	Crystal Lake	X
	Fox River Grove	X X X
	Harvard	Х
	Huntley	
	Johnsburg	Х
	Lake in the Hills	X X X X X
	Lakewood	Х
	Marengo	Х
	McHenry City	Х
	McHenry County	Х
	Port Barrington	
	Richmond	Х
	Ringwood	
	Spring Grove	Х
	Wonder Lake	X X X
	Woodstock	Х
Townships:	Alden	X
	Chemung	X
	Dorr	Х
	Hebron	X
	McHenry Twp FPD	X
Others:	MCCD	X
	Environmental Def	X
	Woodstock Fire RD	Х