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

Planned Events:

- Huntley 4th of July was supported by EMA equipment and volunteers to assist with crowd monitoring and command post operations.
- McHenry County Fair. Emergency Services Volunteers supported the event with command post operations, weather observations, and public safety coordination. EMA equipment was used to provide increased public safety and support of MCSO operations.
- EMA hosted a consortium of manufacturers to discuss resiliency in the county. This is the beginning of a regular series of planning and networking sessions to assist the county in recovery operations.

Exercises:

- None.

Response:

- EMA volunteers assisted Will County with damage assessment after the high impact storms in the middle of July. NWS is reporting 40 tornadoes struck NE Illinois on those two days.
- EMA monitored the effects of the computer outages from the CrowdStrike incident. County systems were not affected; however, numerous municipalities and businesses were.
- EMA staff supported Hebron with a hazardous materials incident in the center of town. Motor fuel had entered the storm and sanitary sewers.

Planning:

- EMA participated in the plan reviews (Incident Action Plans) for a private 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.
- Chief Deputy Director Loyd and Director Christensen assisted Alden-Hebron Schools with their annual safety review.
- Director Christensen participated in planning for a multi-region hospital exercise.
- Chief Deputy Director Loyd and Director Christensen participated in multiple calls/information/planning sessions in relation to the Democratic National Convention.

Training:

- The Search and Rescue Group participated in multiple trainings related to staging, Crew Lead, Alzheimer's, and Autism search ops.

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**.

PRIORITY: Life Saving

EFFORT: Stabilization of Lifelines

Primary Concerns:

1. Cyber Security and Countermeasures
2. 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. Severe weather activation.
2. Hazard Materials incident.
3. Computer outage.

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

Operations

- Communications
- Search & Rescue
- Weather
- General

Logistics

- Support
- EOC Staff Support
- Training

Total Monthly Hours

Total YTD Hours Donated for 2024

Total Hours Worked



54.00

72.25

88.50

158.00

11.25

0.00

0.00

384.00

2215.50

<u>Performance Indicators:</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>2024 Projected</u>
Number of Volunteers	50		80
EMA Staff Training Sessions	8	41	40
Volunteer Training Sessions	10	67	80
Community Presentations/Outreach (NHMP Action Item 23)	0	2	15
Disaster Exercises (Intergovernmental & County)	0	6	10
Mutual Aid Response (SAR, Rehab, EMA, MABAS, Weather)	2	15	20
Emergency Management Development (Coordinating Council)	3	10	6
Technical Advisory Assistance for Municipal & Township Gov (EOP, ETSB, Fire Chief's)	1	17	20
Event Coordination (Incident Action Plan, Communications)	2	12	15
Develop/Revise COOP, EOP, Hazard Mitigation & School Plans	1	5	15

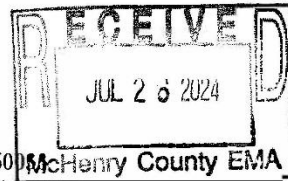
2023 Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Status

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

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July 22, 2024

Director David Christensen
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Dear Director Christensen,

On behalf of the City of Harvard Police Department, I would like to thank you and your department for providing assistance over the 83rd Harvard Milk Days celebration weekend.

Without the contributions of the McHenry County Emergency Management Agency specifically Chief Deputy Director Brooke Loyd, Volunteer Deputy Director Robert Locke, Volunteer Deputy Director John Zelz, Volunteer Deputy Director Jim Rospopo, Preparedness Planner Robert Leracz, and all EMA members that volunteered their time, Milk Days would not have gone as smoothly as it did. Their assistance was an invaluable asset.

I realize the current economic climate makes continued involvement in outside details a difficult endeavor, especially in light of diminishing resources and competing demands. I truly hope we can continue to rely upon an ongoing involvement with the McHenry County Emergency Management Agency and our annual Milk Days celebration.

If there is anything I can do to assist your department in the future, please do not hesitate to contact me. Again, many thanks for the help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tyson Bauman".

Tyson Bauman
Chief of Police
Harvard Police Department



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