

Emergency Management Agency (Dept. 34)

Mission Statement: *Provide resources for the community to develop a Culture of Preparedness against natural, man-made and technological hazards through education, training, and partnership programs and by providing resource coordination, expertise and leadership before and during a disaster.*

Department Created By: *Illinois Compiled Statutes (20 ILCS 3305/10) IL Emergency Management Agency Act*

Classification – Public Safety

Background: Per Illinois State Statute, each County shall maintain an Emergency Services and Disaster Agency that has jurisdiction over and serves the entire county, except as otherwise provided under the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act. As the leader of the local effort in McHenry County, the overall goal of the Emergency Program Management System is to save lives and protect property by developing programs and emergency operational capabilities that mitigate, prepare for, respond to and recover from any emergency or disaster, man-made or natural, whether in peacetime or war-related.

Functions: MANDATED BY STATE STATUTE

- **Emergency Operation Planning** – Each Emergency Services and Disaster Agency shall prepare emergency operation plans for its geographic boundaries that comply with planning, review, and approval standards promulgated by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Illinois and Federal Environmental Protection Agency, and Emergency Management Professional Standards.

Functions: FUNCTIONS PROVIDED BY COUNTY BOARD

- **Hazardous Materials** – A file of all hazardous materials sites and inventories are maintained by the McHenry County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) with site plans for each facility.
- **Emergency Response Training** – As a proponent of public safety, McHenry County EMA is responsible for educating, developing, conducting, or facilitating emergency management training and education programs to prepare the citizens of McHenry County for terrorist, natural, and man-made emergencies and disasters. Additionally, McHenry County EMA assists K-12 and institutes or higher learning with emergency response planning.
- **Certifications** – McHenry County EMA works with the local communities in the development and certification of their emergency operations plans and programs.
- **Communications** – Preservation and maintenance of emergency communications systems and cadre, allowing for communicating with key stakeholders and other County departments as well as appropriate local, state, and federal agencies to manage communication resources during an emergency or disaster.
- **Volunteers** – Provides volunteer coordination and management related to Incident Support, Search and Rescue, and other roles as defined.
- **Other** – Coordinates response to Hazardous Materials incidents and serves as the staff agency for the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) and the McHenry County Coordinating Council.

2024 Highlights

- Facilitated a comprehensive After Action Review of a significant incident at the MCGC, leading to increased preparedness and security of McHenry County government buildings.
- Enhanced community resiliency with the rewrite and subsequent approval of the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan. Over 20 communities and partners assisted in the process.
- Hosted FEMA virtual tabletop exercises regarding a large-scale power outage for McHenry County Emergency Operations Center staff, county department heads, Com Ed, municipal partners and Mercy Hospital.
- Conducted Whole Community threats, hazards, and capability assessments with various external partners, including, most recently, the manufacturing community.
- Enhanced McHenry County school emergency preparedness with one-on-one and multidistrict events to ensure schools have comprehensive emergency plan(s).
- Conducted multiple training for Emergency Operations Center Activation personnel, for National Qualification System requirements, and Emergency Operations Center processes.
- Supported local jurisdictions and school districts with emergency operations planning efforts.
- Provided equipment and volunteer personnel at a variety of community and county events.
- Responded to over 25 severe weather activations, tracking damage assessments, assisting local government as required, and providing intel to the National Weather Service.
- Assisted local communities with disaster exercises.
- Due to ordinance changes, increased involvement in Incident Action Planning for local events.
- Legislative monitoring and negotiating the new administrative rule to make it more achievable for all counties.

2025 Goals

- Streamline the Incident Action Planning process for planned events.
- Achieve Emergency Management Accreditation under new standards promulgated by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency.
- Expand the county-wide resiliency efforts.
- Host a series of emergency operations center exercises culminating in a full scale exercise that tests the county cyber capabilities.
- Continue to year three National Qualification System requirements and ensure compliance of our EOC Staff (as required by grant funding)
- Conduct training for all EOC Activation personnel in National Qualification System requirements and EOC processes.
- Enhance community outreach to the public and local governments in preparedness and all-hazard mitigation.

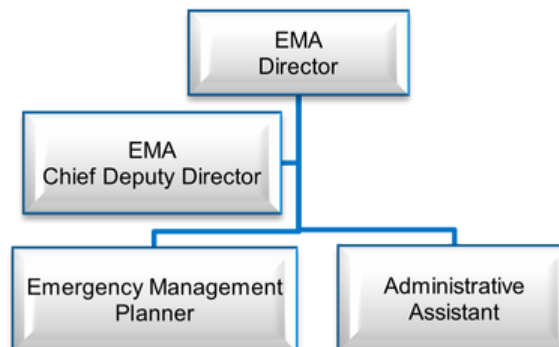
Performance Measures

Performance Indicators:	2023 Actual	2024 Projected	2024 Mid-Year	2025 Projected
Number of volunteers	53	80	47	60
EMA Staff Training Sessions	68	40	37	40
Volunteer Training Sessions	113	80	57	80
Community Presentations/Outreach	6	10	2	15
Disaster Exercises (Intergovernmental & County)	9	10	6	10
Mutual Aid Response (SAR, Rehab, EMA, MABAS, Weather)	20	20	13	20
Emergency Management Development (Coordinating Council)	17	6	7	6
Technical Advisory Assistance for Municipal & Township Gov (EOP, ETSB, Fire Chief's)	28	20	16	20
Event Coordination (Incident Action Plan, Communications)	19	5	10	15
Develop/Revise COOP, EOP, Hazard Mitigation & School Plans	24	12	4	15

Full Time Equivalents History

Job Title	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
	FTE	FTE	FTE
Director of Emergency Management Agency	1.00	1.00	1.00
Chief Deputy Director	1.00	1.00	1.00
Emergency Management Planner	1.00	1.00	1.00
Administrative Assistant	1.00	1.00	1.00
Total Dept 34 - Emergency Mgmt Agency	4.00	4.00	4.00

Organizational Chart



County of McHenry
2025 Proposed Budget
34 - Emergency Mgmt

Category	FY2022 Actual	FY2023 Actual	FY2024 Appropriated	FY2024 Actual (YTD)	FY2025 Budgeted
<i>General Fund</i>					
80 - Fees & Charges for Service	825	825	-	-	-
94 - Governmental	95,043	103,254	-	102,990	-
96 - Misc. Income	-	-	-	266	-
Revenue	95,868	104,079	-	103,257	-
30 - Personnel	283,631	317,048	297,712	203,582	315,733
40 - Contractual	16,430	28,651	23,320	78,710	25,720
50 - Commodities	10,653	20,859	25,780	5,387	29,780
60 - Capital Outlay	-	14,529	-	-	-
Expense	310,714	381,087	346,812	287,680	371,233

To View Interactive Budget (both Financial and Non Financial Information)

<https://mchenrycountyil.openbook.questica.com/#/spotlight/efe8db06-7ac6-45bc-9f0f-845fa5d1f6d0>