

EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION – 13

Public Safety, Law Enforcement, and Security

PRIMARY AGENCY:	Police Department
SUPPORT AGENCIES:	Mutual Aid Agencies

I. INTRODUCTION

A. PURPOSE

Emergency Support Function 13 is meant to coordinate the use of law enforcement personnel and equipment in a large-scale incident.

B. SCOPE

Effective law enforcement is essential during large-scale incidents to insure the protection of lives and property. The Redmond Police Department is responsible for the enforcement of laws, traffic control, investigation of crimes and other public safety activities within the City. Redmond has the capability and resources to meet routine law enforcement needs however, during a large-scale incident problems may be multiplied, more complex, and could rapidly tax the capability and resources of the City.

II. POLICIES

1. City of Redmond law enforcement response will be in accordance with the operational procedures of the City of Redmond Police Department, and this Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP).
2. Law enforcement operations within the City are within the limits of the Chief of Police’s resources and authority. In the event additional law enforcement resources are required, they will be requested through the Redmond ECC.
3. Coordination between the Redmond Police Department and other law enforcement agencies is facilitated by the Washington Mutual Aid Peace Officers Powers Act (RCW chapter 10.93). The Police Department will, within the limits of their resources and authority, coordinate and support essential law enforcement operations.
4. City of Redmond policy dictates that Police Department personnel sent to assist other jurisdictions will maintain their own supervision and chain of command. Mission assignments will be accepted through a supervisor who will coordinate with the command

structure of the requesting agency. It is anticipated that other jurisdiction's personnel that respond to requests for assistance from the City of Redmond will operate the same way.

III. SITUATION

A. INCIDENT CONDITIONS AND HAZARDS

1. Any large-scale incident, natural or man-made, holds potential for causing disruption and the need for control and coordination by law enforcement to ensure the safety and security of our citizens.
2. See the City of Redmond's Hazards Identification and Vulnerability Analysis (HIVA) and Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP) for a description of potential emergency conditions and vulnerable populations.

B. PLANNING ASSUMPTIONS

1. No guarantee of a perfect response system is expressed or implied by this ESF. The City of Redmond will make every reasonable effort to respond based on the situation, information, and resources available at the time of the incident.
2. Available resources may become limited due to high demand in a large-scale incident.
3. All departments are required to support this ESF as necessary.
4. The Police Department maintains a 24-hour operational capability.
5. Normal response may be hampered by such occurrences as bridge failures, landslides, fallen debris, flooding or fire. Police response times may be delayed and response to incidents may need to be prioritized.
6. Landline communications may be interrupted. Cellular and radio communication will be relied upon heavily, if available. Congested frequencies should be expected.
7. City personnel will provide assistance and resources as available, during an incident.
8. Per request, assistance and resources may be provided by the state, as available, during an incident.
9. The Washington State Patrol maintains jurisdiction for traffic enforcement and control on all State and interstate roadways within the county.

IV. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

A. GENERAL

1. In an incident, law enforcement agencies perform a wide range of functions. These include, but are not limited to, warning and evacuation, search and rescue, emergency medical services, communications, access control, and enforcement of emergency traffic regulations.
2. The Washington State Patrol will coordinate statewide emergency or disaster law enforcement activities.

B. PROCEDURES

When the scope of an event requires going beyond normal field operations, the Police Department will respond in the following manner:

1. A Commander or designee of the Police Department will report to the City ECC, if activated, to coordinate law enforcement activities with other response functions.
2. Command and support staff shall report to the Department Operating Center (DOC) to provide overall policy development and management of police operations.
3. Status of the Police Department personnel and vehicles, communications capabilities and facilities and general incident status updates are collected and relayed to the Command Staff and the Police representative in the ECC by whatever means may be available.
4. Policy level coordination is accomplished by the Mayor and/or City Council with the help of the Legal Department. The Duty Officer (DO) is responsible for establishing liaison with the ECC to provide coordination of law enforcement activities with other response functions.
5. The Police Public Information Officer has the lead for media and public information services relating to the Police Department. This will be coordinated with the City Public Information Officer (PIO).
6. If it is apparent that a large-scale incident has occurred and normal communication channels are disrupted, off-duty personnel are instructed to make contact with their supervisor for instructions. If they cannot make contact, they are instructed to report to the Police station or nearest City facility to offer assistance and receive instructions.

C. PREVENTION AND MITIGATION ACTIVITIES

1. Provide personnel with the appropriate expertise to participate in activities designed to reduce or minimize the impact of future incidents.
2. Participate in a hazard identification process and identify and correct vulnerabilities in public safety and security.

D. PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES

1. The Police Department has established procedures to recall off-duty officers to duty should an incident occur. Mutual aid procedures are in place if assistance is needed from other jurisdictions.
2. Develop and maintain emergency standard operating procedures for the effective use of the Police Department's resources.
3. Maintain an Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) to assist in Department operations.
4. Assist the City of Redmond Office of Emergency Management (OEM) in the coordination of emergency management plans.
5. Provide and participate in emergency management training, drills and exercises in support of this ESF.

E. RESPONSE ACTIVITIES

1. Upon the occurrence of a large-scale incident, field units will assess their own condition and situation and make an assessment of their immediate area. The City of Redmond Police Dispatch Center will role-call field units for this information.
2. Provide law enforcement operations within the City of Redmond.
3. Provide direction and control for search and rescue.
4. A designee of the Department will report to the City ECC, if activated, to coordinate law enforcement activities with other response functions.
5. Provide security to City facilities, as requested.
6. Coordinate law enforcement and emergency traffic control throughout the City.
7. Provide communication resources in support of emergency operational needs.
8. Provide assistance to the Public Information Officer, if requested.
9. Coordinate evacuation of portions of population when necessary.

F. RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

1. Participate in recovery efforts as they relate to law enforcement and the overall recovery efforts of the City.
2. Maintain liaison with the ECC.
3. Conduct reviews of incident actions with departments involved to improve future operations.
4. Maintain adequate resources to support local operations and plan for a reduction of sources.
5. Create After-Action Reports and Lessons Learned Reports

V. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Responsible for law enforcement activities within the City as outlined under Department SOG's and the Concept of Operations in this ESF.
2. Keep and preserve the public peace and safety. The functions of the department include plans to coordinate resources for public safety and welfare in the event of a large-scale incident. These tasks include, but are not limited to:
 1. Law enforcement
 2. Emergency evacuations
 3. Search and rescue activities
 4. Enforcement of emergency orders designated by the Mayor
 5. Emergency traffic control
 6. Security and perimeter control at incident scenes, shelters/staging areas in the City, and the ECC when needed
 7. Providing resources for warning and emergency information.

VI. RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS

1. The primary and internal support agencies will provide their own internal supports, i.e. vehicles, travel, etc. to their staff.
2. External support agencies will provide enforcement and commissioned officers, vehicles, and traffic control equipment, as requested.

VII. FURTHER MATERIALS FOR REFERENCE

1. City of Redmond Hazard Identification and Vulnerability Assessment (HIVA) and Hazard Mitigation Plan (HMP)
2. Refer to primary and supporting departments' plans for further information supporting this ESF.