

WINNEBAGO COUNTY PROGRAM EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE
Developed - April 2007

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SCHEDULED REVIEW DATE: August 6, 2007

DEPARTMENT: Emergency Management

DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT:

Develop an Emergency Management Program that lessens the impact of natural or manmade disasters and large-scale emergencies on the citizens, institutions and businesses of Winnebago County.

PROGRAM: Response

1. Describe the program, its purpose and goals.

This program provides Emergency Management staff the necessary tools to help respond and prepare citizens for disasters. Areas under this program include: Tornado outdoor warning sirens, Doppler Radar, Evacuation Shelters, Mobile Command Vehicle, Training, Liaison to State and Federal Agencies and Public Relations.

2. Who is the program intended to serve? How many are served?

This program serves the citizens of Winnebago County, First Responders, the Governor and other state agencies.

3. Are the program benefits long-lasting and essential to the service populations?

Program benefits are long lasting which provide an extra level of safety and protection for our citizens.

4. Is this program directly or indirectly related to or does it support any other program in this department or another department? If so, how?

This program is directly related to the Red Cross, Law Enforcement, Fire, EMS, state agencies and private sector. Emergency Management serves as coordinator for sheltering initiatives with the Red Cross. First Responders rely on the Mobile Command Vehicle for use as a command post during emergency response. Emergency Management provides training to First Responders. This office is the link to the Governor during disasters by use of the Winnebago County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's).

5. How does this program make the department or county government more effective or efficient, including any intergovernmental relationship?

Providing a safe environment for First Responders at a disaster is essential to have a favorable outcome. Having the ability to monitor weather and relay that information to other departments helps protect their staff and equipment.

6. How do you determine/measure if this program has been effectively provided and implemented?

With this program we are saving lives by providing early warning mechanisms and guidance for citizens in preparation for possible disasters. We are providing shelters to citizens who are forced to leave their residence due to disasters. We are providing a safe environment for command staff to control emergency response actions. By securing disaster aide dollars to citizens and municipalities

who suffer damages we help them recover earlier. This is measured by the lives that are not lost during disasters.

7. Could the county cost-effectively subcontract this program?

No

8. State the numerical ranking of this program compared to all programs in your department and briefly explain.

Ranking 1. Warning citizens of impending disasters and helping them prepare before disaster strikes and securing aide through the Governors office and FEMA after disasters strike warrants this program to be ranked the highest.

9. Are there current alternatives to this program available in the community? Can this program be provided through alternative arrangements with other providers (i.e. private entities, other County departments, other governmental units)?

No

10. If this program were eliminated, what would be the ramifications for the County (i.e., added risk, liability or legal issues)?

Risk, liability and legal issues are all huge factors when a department is responsible for the safety of citizens within it's county.

11. What is the program impact and effectiveness related to the program cost? (Provide data if available.)

This program provides a vital roll in incident response and recovery as well as training at a cost that is very minimal.

12. Is this program currently duplicated by another county department or provider in the community?

No

13. What are your ideas for finding efficiencies in your Department (i.e. reducing duplication of services, better use of technology, reducing waste of resources, opportunities for partnering, opportunities for combining programs, personnel, functions etc, time-saving ideas, identifying 'sacred cows' etc.)? (Note – this question will not be scored).

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PROGRAM: Recovery

- 14. Describe the program, its purpose and goals.**
Emergency Management facilitates emergency response to the public after a disaster strikes. We secure resources by activating damage assessment teams and providing state and federal officials' timely information on the extent of damages that occurred. We inform citizens of the status of the recovery efforts and provide valuable information to them such as where they will be able to receive assistance. We work with FEMA in securing disaster assistance in either financial ways or donation of goods to the citizens.
- 15. Who is the program intended to serve? How many are served?**
This program serves the citizens of Winnebago County and also is a vital link between State and Federal Agencies.
- 16. Are the program benefits long-lasting and essential to the service populations?**
Program benefits are long lasting and definitely essential to ensure the quickest recovery to citizens that were effected by disasters.
- 17. Is this program directly or indirectly related to or does it support any other program in this department or another department? If so, how?**
This program is directly related to the Red Cross, Law Enforcement, Fire, EMS, state agencies and private sector. Emergency Management serves as coordinator for sheltering initiatives with the Red Cross to help the displaced receive shelter. This office is the link to the Governor during disasters by use of the Winnebago County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's). We work with FEMA in securing disaster assistance dollars to help citizens and municipalities recover from the effects of a disaster.
- 18. How does this program make the department or county government more effective or efficient, including any intergovernmental relationship?**
This program has a positive impact by providing a direct link to the Governors office to secure disaster assistance in equipment, manpower or finances. The continuance of government operations is essential in helping citizens and municipalities recover from the effects of a disaster.

19. **How do you determine/measure if this program has been effectively provided and implemented?**
The measure of success for this program has been shown in past emergencies and disasters with the quick recovery in affected communities.
20. **Could the county cost-effectively subcontract this program?**
No
21. **State the numerical ranking of this program compared to all programs in your department and briefly explain.**
Ranking 2. It is critical that we assist citizens and private sector in getting their lives and businesses back to normal as soon as possible.
22. **Are there current alternatives to this program available in the community? Can this program be provided through alternative arrangements with other providers (i.e. private entities, other County departments, other governmental units)?**
No
23. **If this program were eliminated, what would be the ramifications for the County (i.e., added risk, liability or legal issues?)**
If this program would be eliminated the county would not secure assistance during disasters from State or Federal agencies. Risk, liability and legal issues are all huge factors when a department is responsible for the safety of citizens within it's county.
24. **What is the program impact and effectiveness related to the program cost? (Provide data if available.)**
This program provides a vital roll in incident recovery at a cost that is very minimal.
25. **Is this program currently duplicated by another county department or provider in the community?**
No
26. **What are your ideas for finding efficiencies in your Department (i.e. reducing duplication of services, better use of technology, reducing waste of resources, opportunities for partnering, opportunities for combining programs, personnel, functions etc, time-saving ideas, identifying 'sacred cows' etc.)? (Note – this question will not be scored).**
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PROGRAM: Planning/Preparedness

27. Describe the program, its purpose and goals.

Emergency Management planning has many facets. Mitigation Planning involves the identification of various projects that will lessen the impact of natural or manmade disasters to the community. School Planning assists schools in disaster response methods and communication with First Responders to ensure the safety of students. Terrorism Planning identifies potential targets in our community and appropriate response. Evacuation Planning establishes a method of evacuating small and large populations of citizens of Winnebago County. ECPRA Planning involves working with industry that houses extremely hazardous chemicals and writing Offsite Plans to better prepare First Responders for chemical release response. Annex's/ESF's are the tools and templates used to respond to all natural and manmade disasters. Public Education is essential in preparing citizens to be ready to face all natural and manmade disasters.

28. Who is the program intended to serve? How many are served?

The program is intended to serve the all the citizens in Winnebago County including industry and First Responders.

29. Are the program benefits long-lasting and essential to the service populations?

Disaster Planning will have long lasting benefits that are essential to safety of all citizens in our community.

30. Is this program directly or indirectly related to or does it support any other program in this department or another department? If so, how?

Emergency Management disaster planning is involved with several departments in the county to ensure natural and manmade disasters has successful recoveries. We coordinate response with Highway, Sheriff's, Public Health, Fire, EMS, Red Cross, Human Services and many other local, state and federal agencies.

31. How does this program make the department or county government more effective or efficient, including any intergovernmental relationship?

This program provides effective and efficient response to disasters that require coordination of more than one agency to solve the problem.

32. How do you determine/measure if this program has been effectively provided and implemented?

Effectiveness is determined by the successful use of the plans through actual situations and exercise drills. Success is also determined by the public's ability to respond successfully to disasters based on safety education they received from this office.

33. Could the county cost-effectively subcontract this program?

Currently there are no available cost effective solutions to subcontract this program with the majority of this planning being state and federally mandated.

34. State the numerical ranking of this program compared to all programs in your department and briefly explain.

Out of the 3 programs I would rank this program third. Actual emergency response and coordination ranks first, however, in order for the response to be successful it is necessary to have adequate plans for all types of disasters in place.

35. Are there current alternatives to this program available in the community? Can this program be provided through alternative arrangements with other providers (i.e. private entities, other County departments, other governmental units)?

The only alternative to this program would be for the cities and towns to have effective planning in place with coordination between multi-agencies throughout Winnebago County and adjoining counties. Winnebago County is responsible for maintaining all of the planning for EPCRA and EMPG plans including businesses and facilities. There are no available opportunities to provide this program outside of the County Emergency Management positions.

36. If this program were eliminated, what would be the ramifications for the County (i.e., added risk, liability or legal issues)?

If this program were eliminated, Winnebago County would have significant legal and liability issues regarding State planning and would lose the EMPG and EPCRA Grants.

37. What is the program impact and effectiveness related to the program cost? (Provide data if available.)

EMPG and EPCRA Grants largely cover the cost of the program.

38. Is this program currently duplicated by another county department or provider in the community?

This program works extensively with other County Departments and private and public agencies. There are no duplications of this service in the community.

39. What are your ideas for finding efficiencies in your Department (i.e. reducing duplication of services, better use of technology, reducing waste of resources, opportunities for partnering, opportunities for combining programs, personnel, functions etc, time-saving ideas, identifying 'sacred cows' etc.)? (Note – this question will not be scored).

I have no suggestions at this time as the program is low cost and is giving the taxpayers a good product.