



Municipality of Anchorage



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Public Safety Committee
OEM Updates
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Preparedness

a. Planning

- i. Large Event Planning w/ [Arctic Winter Games](#)
 1. Mat-Su and Anchorage, 3/10-16/2024
 2. Volunteer emergency medical staffing coordination through AFD
 3. Contingency sheltering w/Dena'ina, UAA, and AFD for 1500+ athletes/staff
- ii. Coordinating Seasonal Avalanche Risk Information
 1. National Weather Service coordination for amplifying hazard information from area experts:
 - a. [Chugach National Forest Avalanche Information Center](#)
 - b. [Friends of Chugach Avalanche Center](#)
 2. Amplifying expert public information.
- iii. Completed 2024-2026 Anchorage Integrated Preparedness Plan (IPP)
 1. Plan purpose: Emergency Planning/Training/Exercise Stakeholder Coordination
 2. 2/5 workshop: 34 Participants, 18 Stakeholder Organizations
 3. 2/12 surveys: 18 Submitted, 15 Stakeholder Organizations
 4. 2/21 plan submitted to state.
 5. 4/11 statewide coordination sharing at [4/2024 EM Conference \(AK\)](#)
- iv. Joined [FEMA Headquarters Public Assistance Steering Committee](#)
- v. Facilitating [State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program](#) Applications

b. Events

- i. Exercise now. 3/4-8, 2024 – AlaskaEx – 9.2 earthquake scenario
 1. Full Scale Exercise
 2. State led w/neighbors in Mat-Su, Cordova, Valdez, Kenai Peninsula Borough.
 3. Anchorage Participants
 - a. Internal – OEM (EOC), APD, AFD, AHD, AWWU, GIS
 - b. Partners- Amateur Radio Club, National Guard, Red Cross, Weather Service, United Way 211.
 4. Core Capabilities testing- alert and warning, operational coordination and communication, situation assessment, search and rescue, mass care.
- ii. Coming up. 3/20 [Anchorage Local Emergency Planning Committee \(LEPC\)](#). All are welcome.

c. Legislative Issues

- i. Recent. 3/5
 1. \$230,000 Emergency Management Performance Grant, appropriation for personnel costs
- ii. Pending
 1. \$413,939 State Homeland Security Grant, appropriation for APD equipment, ASD Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP), Alaska EX funds.
 2. \$100,000 State Homeland Security Grant, appropriation for Cyber Plan for AWWU

Recovery

- d. COVID-19 After-action report/ improvement planning continues.
 1. Complete- Data call. Outreach initiated. Video linked here on [OEM website](#).
 2. Ongoing- Participant surveys emailed w/social media.
 3. Pending-Interviews to be conducted w/stakeholders. Report to follow.