



Erie County Department of Public Safety -
Emergency Management and Hazardous
Materials Team



What is Emergency Management?



Before a disaster we are . . .

- Establishing relationships with community partners.
- Planning.
- Conducting training/exercises/drills
- Equipping to build capacity & fill response gaps.

During a disaster we

- Assist in the Warning and Notification process.
- Coordinate with municipalities, state, private sector and other partners.
- Assist in logistical support of needed resources.
- Help provide Situational Awareness & a common operating picture.
- Help provide Public information

After a disaster we

- Assist in damage assessment.
- Help coordinate Volunteers & donations
- Assist in the overall recovery process.
- Assist the coordination of Federal Disaster Aid.
- Reassess Plans, Training and Resources.

How can we help those with public collections?

- We assist in the damage assessment process and forward information to the State.
- Damage Assessment information is one criteria used to determine if a county will receive Federal Disaster Assistance.
- We can help with logistics.
- Coordinate Volunteers and donations that can assist in the clean-up/recovery efforts.

Federal Aid – Libraries

- Public Assistance Policy Digest FEMA-321:
 - Libraries are eligible for Federal assistance, if they are public or if they are owned by a Private Nonprofit organization, provided that they are open to the general public. Some eligible costs associated with a library include:
 - Removal and replacement of destroyed books, shelving, carpeting and furniture.
 - Labor involved with disposal and re-shelving of books and cleaning of damaged books.
 - Dump charges associated with the disposal of books and debris.

Federal Aid - Museums

- Private Nonprofit Museums are confined facilities that are constructed or manufactured to preserve and exhibit a documented collection of artistic, historic, scientific or other importance.
- Must be open to the general public.
- Publicly owned museums are generally eligible for public assistance.

FEMA and Art

- Replacement of destroyed collections or objects is NOT an eligible cost.
- FEMA **may** fund stabilization measures to return a collection or object to a condition so it can function in the same capacity as before the disaster.

Look at FEMA website for More Info.

- **FEMA – Public Assistance: 9524.6 Collection & Individual Object Eligibility.**
- **Please NOTE: FEMA uses the word “may” a lot. Eligibility is dependent upon many variables such as bidding documents, reasonable costs, documentation and others.**

Phone a Friend . . .

- We can't help you and advocate for you if we don't know you have a problem.
- Document, Document, Document
- Consider Pre-bidding “restoration” work before a disaster happens. Have FEMA look at your bid documents to ensure they meet FEMA guidelines.

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