



ESF 13 Public Safety and Security

LEAD AGENCY / AGENCIES

PURPOSE:

Emergency Support Function 13 (ESF-13), Public Safety and Security, provides for the effective coordination of countywide law enforcement operations during emergency or disaster situations. This ESF is to outline law enforcement procedures required to effectively respond to countywide emergencies and disasters. Public Safety and Security, capabilities include force and critical infrastructure protection, security planning and technical assistance, technology support and public safety in both pre-incident and post-incident situations.

The authorities, concept of operations, and direction, control, and coordination considerations related to emergency support functions (ESFs) are governed by and detailed in the Emergency Operations Framework Base Plan.

SUMMARY OF ESF ACTIONS:

Prevention / Preparedness

- Conduct public education and outreach to the general public on law enforcement, public safety, and security issues.
- Identify agencies, organizations, and individuals capable of providing law enforcement support services and associated resource inventories.
- Maintain a system to recognize credentials of associated agencies/personnel.

Response

- Assist with the dissemination of warnings and notifications as time and resources allow.
- Conduct search and rescue operations within the respective jurisdiction.
- Document expenditures for disaster/emergency related activities and report to the EOC.
- Provide senior-level representation at the EOC or ICP in the multi-agency operations.

Recovery

Law Enforcement Agencies

- Coordinate with the Public Information Officer to ensure the EOC is updated with current and accurate information.
- Demobilize resources. Return equipment and vehicles to response ready condition.
- Document costs and provide copies to the EOC.

Cedar County Emergency Management

- Serve as liaison between local law enforcement agencies and state or federal teams, as appropriate.
- Coordinate information with Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management.
- Demobilize EOC when appropriate (Refer to ESF-5 Emergency Management).

Mitigation

- Law enforcement agencies will comply with facility, property, and personnel protection mitigation plans promulgated by their jurisdictions
- Ensure all law enforcement personnel are trained to the appropriate NIMS/ICS level, traffic control and evacuation procedures, and search and rescue operations
- Support requests and directives from the Governor and/or FEMA concerning mitigation and/or re-development activities.

SUPPORT AGENCIES:

- Cedar County Sheriff's Office
- Cedar County Sheriff's Office PSAP
- Cedar County Municipal Law Enforcement Agencies
- Cedar County Municipal Fire Departments
- Cedar County and Municipal Departments