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The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) was established by Chapter 2.68 of the County Code with responsibility for organizing and directing the preparedness efforts of the Emergency Management Organization of Los Angeles County. OEM is the day-to-day Los Angeles County Operational Area coordinator for the entire geographic area of the county. This broad responsibility includes:

Planning and Coordination

- Maintaining an approved Operational Area Emergency Response Plan.
- Providing ongoing leadership and coordinating disaster plans and exercises with the 88 cities, 137 unincorporated communities and 288 special districts in the county.
- Assisting County departments to develop department emergency plans which address how they will perform both their non-deferrable missions and Operational Area duties during disasters.
- Assisting County departments with development of facility emergency plans for every occupied County facility.
- Supporting and advising the Board of Supervisors, Emergency Management Council and Emergency Preparedness Commission.
- Supporting and advising the Board of Supervisors in matters pertaining to their role as elected officials during emergencies and disasters.

Operations

- Maintaining the County Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) in a state of operational readiness, in partnership with the Sheriff's Emergency Operations Bureau.
- Serving as on-call CEOC first responders on a 24-hour basis.
- Providing an OEM duty officer on a 24-hour basis to address inquiries and concerns from County, local, and state officials regarding potential or escalating emergency conditions.

Training

- Maintaining a cadre of CEOC team members trained in section and position responsibilities and use of the Emergency Management Information System Operational Area Response and Recovery System (OARRS).
- Providing ongoing training for county Department Emergency Coordinators and Building Emergency Coordinators.

Technical Operations

- Developing and maintaining the Operational Area Response and Recovery System (OARRS) linking County departments.

Public Education

- Conducting public education campaign for all hazards through the Emergency Survival Program (ESP), expos, public venues and various media presentations.



Specific Needs Awareness Planning (S.N.A.P.) - To better prepare County residents for these and other types of disasters, the Los Angeles County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) announces the launch of the Specific Needs Awareness Planning (S.N.A.P.) voluntary disaster registry.

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Emergency Survival Guide



Ready, Set, Go! Personal Wildfire Action Plan - This publication will give you guidance on retrofitting your home with fire-resistive features. It will help you create the necessary defensible space around your home. This publication will help you prepare your home, yourself, and your family so that you can go early, well ahead of a fast-approaching wildfire.



Recovering from the Fires - Los Angeles County has a new website providing resources for fire recovery and mudslide information. Among the information included is how to obtain building and transportation permits, mud and debris flow forecast, road closures, safety preparedness, assistance programs, and shelter contacts.



Alert LA County - Los Angeles County is implementing an emergency mass notification system that will be used to contact County residents and businesses via recorded phone messages, text messages and e-mail in case of emergency. For more information and to register your cell phone number, Voice over IP number, and e-mail address, please click the link below.

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