

## ESF-9

### LAW ENFORCEMENT

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**PRIMARY AGENCIES:**        **Greene County Sheriff's Department**  
**Springfield Police Department**  
**Springfield/Branson Regional Airport Police**  
**Springfield R-12 School Police**

**SUPPORT AGENCIES:**       **Springfield-Greene County Emergency Communications Center (ECC)**  
**Local Police Departments**

#### I.        **PURPOSE**

Because of the existing and continuing possibility of the occurrence of terrorism, riots, civil disturbances, and other major law enforcement problems associated with emergencies/disasters, either technological or natural, this ESF is designed to address issues outside of law enforcement's normal day-to-day duties. Adequate resources are normally available to cope with any occurrence that should arise.

During a disaster, however, these resources could be exhausted before a situation is brought under control. This ESF will organize local law enforcement services regardless of the situation.

#### II.       **SITUATION AND ASSUMPTIONS**

##### A.       **Situation**

1.       Springfield/Greene County could find itself subjected to many hazards (**see Hazard Mitigation Plan**) that would threaten the lives and property of its citizens.
2.       In each of these, local law enforcement personnel will have a major response role.
3.       Local law enforcement resources are adequate to meet day-to-day operations that could arise, but a need could arise that would exceed local capabilities.
4.       Outside law enforcement resources (Federal, State, and other local agencies) are available to support operations in Springfield/Greene County.
5.       Special training for law enforcement personnel is required in the areas of:
  - a.       Hazardous materials incidents.
  - b.       Counter Terrorism/WMD response.
  - c.       Riot control.
  - d.       Storm watch.
  - e.       Traffic movement in the event of a crisis evacuation.
  - f.       NIMS.

##### B.       **Assumptions**

1.       During a disaster or major emergency, local law enforcement personnel will respond as directed in this plan.
2.       Situations will arise that will tax or exceed local law enforcement capabilities.
3.       Outside resources will respond when called upon to do so.

4. During evacuation due to any type of emergency/disaster, the Springfield Police Department will control such operations within the City while the Greene County Sheriff will control operations outside of Springfield in the unincorporated areas of Greene County. Cooperation is essential, if maximum efficiency of effort is to be maintained.

### III. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

#### A. General

1. The law enforcement activities described in this ESF are an extension of normal day-to-day activities and deal only with extraordinary situations that may completely saturate available resources and involve several jurisdictions (**Basic Plan, Appendix 3**).
2. In addition to being the lead agency in certain response situations (i.e., terrorist events, riots, hostage situations, etc.), law enforcement will provide security and support in all other emergencies that threaten life and property.
3. Local law enforcement agencies will primarily perform law enforcement functions and support agencies will be used for traffic control, when practical.
4. Disaster operations will be directed from the EOC, or if a limited emergency/disaster, operations may be directed from the Police Mobile Command Center or from an alternate EOC as described in (**ESF-2, Appendix 4**).
5. The Greene County Sheriff will control law enforcement operations in the unincorporated areas of the county, as well as those incorporated areas that do not have police departments. While those police departments of the incorporated areas will control law enforcement operations within their jurisdictions.
6. The Springfield/Branson Regional Airport Police will control law enforcement on the airport property. Assistance will be requested from the Springfield Police Department and the Greene County Sheriff in accordance with the Airport Emergency Operations Plan.
7. The Springfield Public School will control law enforcement on school property. Assistance will be requested from the Springfield Police Department and the Greene County Sheriff in accordance with the School District's Emergency Operations Plan.

#### B. Actions to be Taken by Operating Time Frames

##### 1. Mitigation

- a. Prepare plans (SOPs and SOGs) to deal with projected law enforcement requirements as identified by the hazards listed in the (**Hazard Mitigation Plan**).
- b. Identify facilities that will require special security during a disaster.
- c. Train police personnel in special procedures (WMD, hazardous materials identification, etc.).
- d. Locate and establish liaison with local outside groups that could provide assistance (veteran's groups, private security, etc.).
- e. Develop and maintain mutual aid agreements or define plan for use of statewide mutual aid statues with nearby local law enforcement agencies to ensure proper coordination.
- f. Review procedures for obtaining assistance from State and federal law enforcement agencies.
- g. Review other ESFs of this plan to determine where law enforcement support

- h. will be needed by other agencies.
- h. Develop and maintain a security-pass system to allow admittance to restricted areas (damaged or otherwise).
- i. Review and update plans, procedures, and checklists annually.
- j. Participate in tests, exercises, and drills.

## 2. Preparedness

- a. Begin personnel alerting procedures.
- b. Check status of equipment and facilities for readiness and safety.
- c. Analyze threat to anticipate required response, and then check procedures.
- d. Assist in warning populations as required.
- e. Provide security and traffic control at the EOC.
- f. Review status of streets and roads in case an evacuation is necessary.
- g. Assemble materials for security-pass system to restricted areas.
- h. Report status and actions taken to Direction and Control (**ESF-1**).
- i. Order units to shelter if necessary.
- j. Review plans for the relocation of prisoners.

## 3. Response

- a. Activate necessary personnel to meet the situation.
- b. Maintain law and order.
- c. Provide traffic and crowd control, especially during Crisis Evacuation.
- d. Provide security to critical facilities including the EOC.
- e. Control evacuation process and patrol evacuated areas.
- f. Assist in search and rescue operations.
- g. Control access to damaged areas.
- h. Participate in EOC operations.
- i. Assist in warning (mobile units).
- j. Provide security for in-place shelter operations.
- k. Assist Damage Assessment by identifying damaged areas to the EOC staff.
- l. Maintain records and report regularly to the EOC.
- m. Activate mutual aid and private resources and deploy them as necessary.
- n. Assist other emergency services as directed by the EOC.
- o. Provide personnel in Mass Care, lodging and feeding facilities, and emergency shelters as priorities allow, especially during Crisis Evacuation.
- p. Assist in estimating total population exposed to the disaster.

## 4. Recovery

- a. Continue operations as necessary until situation returns to normal.
- b. Release mutual aid and private resources when possible.
- c. Continue support to other services, especially in the areas of Damage Assessment and Rescue.
- d. Provide traffic control for the return of evacuees/relocatees.
- e. Provide information to Public Information Office (PIO) or if applicable the Joint Information Center (JIC) for news releases.
- f. Assist in the return to normal from the in-place shelter mode.
- g. Participate in after-action reports and critiques and incorporate recommended changes into law enforcement plans and procedures.

#### IV. ORGANIZATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES

**A. Primary Agencies:** **Greene County Sheriff's Department**  
**Springfield Police Department**  
**Springfield/Branson Regional Airport Police**  
**Springfield R-12 School Police**

1. Overall coordination and control of the law enforcement function for Greene County is the responsibility of the Greene County Sheriff. Coordination and control of law enforcement functions in Springfield is the responsibility of the Springfield Police Department. Coordination and control of law enforcement on Springfield/Branson Regional Airport property is the responsibility of the Director of Aviation. The Springfield R-12 School Police will control law enforcement on R-12 School property. Assistance will be requested from the Springfield Police Department and the Greene County Sheriff in accordance with the R-12 School Emergency Operations Plan.
2. Communications for the Springfield Police Department and the Greene County Sheriff will be provided by the Springfield-Greene County Emergency Communications Center. The EOC will support these law enforcement communications.
3. After being advised that Crisis Evacuation is imminent, the City Traffic Engineer will advise the Springfield Police Department on the control of traffic. He/She will supply the information on which lights should be green or red, which streets should be blocked off or barricaded and where to expect problems.

**B. Support Agencies:**

**Springfield/Greene County Emergency Communications Center**

1. Provides emergency call-taking and dispatch services to law enforcement agencies.
2. Track personnel and assets as needed.

**Local Municipal Police Department**

1. Mutual aid will be requested through the EOC to the applicable department.
2. Mutual aid agencies will assist as assigned by the requesting agency.

**C. State Primary Agency**

**Missouri State Highway Patrol**

1. Mutual aid will be requested through the EOC to SEMA as needed.
2. Mutual aid agencies will assist as assigned by the requesting agency.

**Missouri National Guard**

1. Requests for the Missouri National Guard must come from the Chief Elected Official through the EOC to the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) to the Governor.
2. Unless appropriate units are available locally, the average response time after call-up is 72-hours. Support may come sooner based on unit availability (**ESF-20**).

**D. Federal Primary Agency**

**Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)**

Specifically relating to terrorism, the FBI will coordinate the federal crime scene investigation function for the Federal government. During any other type of operation, the FBI will function as applicable by Federal law.

## **V. DIRECTION AND CONTROL**

- A. In a classified Level I-III emergency/disaster (**ESF-1, Appendix 2**), overall control will originate from the EOC's Direction and Control staff (**ESF-1**). Each department will eventually have a representative present in the EOC, depending upon the magnitude of the emergency or disaster.
- B. Initial control at the scene will be established by the first law enforcement officer on the scene, as directed by the Incident Command System. He/She will maintain contact with and provide information to the prescribed communications center and will do so until relieved of duty.
- C. If outside resources are needed, they will remain under the direct control of their command leadership, department, or industry, but will be assigned by the EOC and will respond as necessary.

## **VI. CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT**

### **A. Springfield Police Department**

- 1. Chief of Police
- 2. Commander, Uniform Operations Division
- 3. As directed by the Chief of Police

### **B. Greene County Sheriff's Department**

- 1. Sheriff
- 2. Chief Deputy
- 3. As designated by temporary Sheriff to fill the Chief Deputy's position

### **C. Springfield/Branson Regional Airport Police**

- 1. Director of Aviation
- 2. Assistant Director of Aviation
- 3. ARFF Operations Officer

### **D. Springfield R-12 School Police**

- 1. Director of School Public Safety
- 2. Assistant Director of School Public Safety
- 3. Superintendent of Schools

## **VII. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS**

### **A. Administration**

- 1. All law enforcement agencies will develop plans and procedures to ensure a timely submission of all reports and records.
- 2. Security for the permanent EOC and other County property will be provided by the Greene County Sheriff's Office. Security for any alternate EOC locations will be provided by the Greene County Sheriff's Office or the Springfield Police Department depending on the jurisdictional location.
- 3. The legal basis for any emergency action is contained in Chapter 44, RSMo.

### **B. Logistics**

- 1. Normal purchasing and procurement procedures can be circumvented with written

permission of the chief elected official present.

2. In most situations the Purchasing (City or County, as approval) (**ESF-5**) will be available to handle supply matters.
3. Communications and communications equipment will be handled by the EOC and the law enforcement agencies involved.

#### **VIII. ESF DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE**

- A. Each operating law enforcement agency will be responsible for developing and maintaining written procedures to accomplish their assigned tasks in this ESF.
- B. It will be the responsibility of the Office of Emergency Management to initiate a review and updating of all law enforcement plans, call-up lists, procedures, and inventories annually.
- C. A committee consisting of one member from each participating department and a representative of the Office of Emergency Management will meet annually to ensure the plans are integrated into a cohesive law enforcement operational ESF.