

1.5 Incident Management/Emergency Operations Center Support
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Purpose:

This document is to provide our Emergency Operations Center (EOC) representatives with needed information and resources in an effort to better serve the needs of our citizens when the Anne Arundel County Emergency Operations Center is activated due to an emergency or catastrophic weather event. It is imperative that our EOC representatives know what resources are available and at their disposal.

Policy:

Sheriff's Office personnel may be required to perform additional public safety duties outside of our normal scope. These additional duties may include, but are certainly not limited to, securing Point of Distribution Sites (PODS), temporary shelters, evacuating citizens, assisting with traffic control, or performing other law enforcement functions.

In an effort to adequately respond to these requests for service, we have created three "EOC Response Teams." These teams will mirror the 6-3 schedule currently utilized by our warrant teams.

Each of these three teams will consist of sworn personnel from the warrant teams, civil process team, domestic violence team, and K-9 as well as members from the Security Bureau. The names of these EOC Response Team members will be posted and periodically updated.

Procedure:

1. In the event the EOC is activated, the on-duty warrant team will conduct business as usual until/unless our EOC representative requests their assistance.
2. All remaining members of the "EOC Response Team" will be notified of the activation and will be on standby.
3. At our EOC representative's request, the Communications Center will notify the supervising sergeants of the off-duty EOC Response Teams of the activation.

4. The supervising sergeants will contact the members of their respective teams to ensure they are prepared for duty should they be needed. It is the responsibility of the EOC team members not normally assigned to a warrant team, as well as warrant team members on their RDO, to maintain contact with the office and to make themselves available for call-in should it be deemed necessary.
5. The current 6-3 rotation will continue with the addition of a midnight shift. The warrant deputies and additional personnel assigned to the warrant team on the regular day off (RDO) will be responsible for the 11:00 PM until 07:00 AM shift.
6. Deputies are to remain at their assigned posts until properly relieved.