

Ventura County Emergency Planning Council (EPC)



Strategic Plan 2015 – 2020



Introduction

This strategic plan serves as a framework for decision making over a five-year period and outlines the Emergency Planning Council's (EPC) strategic goals and outcomes. This plan has incorporated an assessment of the Operational Area's emergency preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation efforts. Additionally, input from various sources added to the content of this plan.

This plan also identifies actions, activities and planning efforts that are currently active and critical for continued success in the management of Operational Area disasters. This plan is a living document and will be reviewed by the EPC on an annual basis.

Mission Statement

The Emergency Planning Council will lead a unified effort to improve Operational Area disaster preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation efforts. These efforts are achieved through a partnership of cooperation and collaboration with government, non-governmental and private sector organizations.



Strategic Priority 1: Strengthen the Operational Area’s ability to plan for, respond to, recover from and mitigate natural and human-caused disasters.

- Outcome 1a: Leverage emerging technologies through research, testing and coordination.
- i. Explore and adopt new emergency management systems, processes and technologies.
 - ii. Implement training and exercise improvement tracking systems.
- Outcome 1b: Develop and adopt a comprehensive catastrophic disaster recovery program.
- Outcome 1c: Develop annual spending priorities based on vulnerabilities, threats, gaps and risk assessments.
- Outcome 1d: Improve citizen preparedness.
- i. Continue to promote the Ready Ventura County campaign.
 - ii. Increase VC Alert registration.
 - iii. Increase citizen participation in Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters and the CERT/DART programs.
 - iv. Increase the amount of citizens equipped with disaster kits.
- Outcome 1e: Improve government and organizational preparedness.
- i. Develop and adopt Emergency Operations Plans and Hazard Mitigation Plans for all Operational Area jurisdictions.
 - ii. Improve pre-incident / pre-event planning coordination and communications among stakeholders.
 - iii. Improve the Disaster Service Worker program.
 - iv. Increase in-house and multi-jurisdictional training and exercises.
- Outcome 1f: Develop and adopt a comprehensive public/private emergency logistics system for the residents of Ventura County.

Strategic Priority 2: Strengthen Inter-agency Coordination and Communication

- Outcome 2a: Review and enhance communication capabilities.
- Outcome 2b: Manage critical disaster preparedness, response and recovery information through standardized information sharing process.

- i. Adopt and utilize a joint disaster training and exercise calendar.
- ii. Develop and utilize a real-time disaster information webpage.

Outcome 2c: Expand and enhance the mutual aid agreement program.

Strategic Priority 3: Strengthen the EPCs Organizational Foundation

Outcome 3a: Maintain action driven committee meetings, quarterly council meetings, and stakeholder coordination workshops.

Outcome 3b: Ensure the effective application of the EPC By-laws, the EPC Administrative Manual and EPC Strategic Plan.

- i. Develop an EPC Operations Command committee.

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Strategic Plan Performance Status

On Track, Accomplished	Making Progress, Behind Schedule	Little or No Progress Made
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Strategic Goal	Outcome	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
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	1a					
	1ai					
	1aii					
	1b					
	1c					
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	1di					
	1dii					
	1diii					
	1div					
	1e					
	1ei					
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	1eiii					
	1eiv					
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