
2015 Illinois Homeland Security Strategy

Mission: **Protect the State of Illinois through integrated approaches in Emergency Management and Homeland Security to prepare for, respond to, mitigate against, and recover from emergencies and disasters or acts terrorism.**

Vision 2020 Priority #1:

Illinois will ensure that state and local public safety officials have access to the most current and comprehensive training and education available to prepare them for any realized and/or emerging threats posing a risk or vulnerability to the state for facilitation of standardized and safe implementation of response and recovery duties.

Vision 2020 Priority #2:

Illinois will ensure homeland security preparedness activities conducted at the sub-state, regional, and statewide levels are integrated, enhance the overall response and recovery posture of the state, and support achievement of a common operating picture that encompasses the whole community throughout all mission areas.

Vision 2020 Priority #3:

Illinois will utilize a single statewide governance structure for the prioritization of preparedness activities supporting the core components of the Illinois Homeland Security Strategy to ensure a single mission, thus maximizing limited federal, state, and local funding to accomplish a common goal.

Vision 2020 Priority #4:

Illinois will ensure the whole community has the ability to prepare for, prevent, protect, and respond to an emergency or crisis situation and support the dissemination of crisis and disaster intelligence information to appropriate agencies to ensure the whole community has access to current, actionable information.

Vision 2020 Priority #5:

Illinois will utilize the latest operable and interoperable voice, data, and video communication technologies to ensure the public safety community has access to immediate, actionable information for prompt, accurate, and safe response during an emergency while seamlessly communicating on a sub-state, regional, and statewide basis.

Vision 2020 Priority #6:

Illinois will utilize the latest technologies to educate the public on the importance of personal and community preparedness prior to, during and after a disaster and immediately alert and warn the population of Illinois so they can take appropriate actions following an event and maintain life safety.



Vision 2020 Priority #7:

Illinois will create a comprehensive and integrated volunteer recruitment, training, and utilization plan for volunteers utilized by associations and government and non-government organizations during a state level emergency and develop a toolkit whereby this plan can be tailored for use at the local and regional levels.

Vision 2020 Priority #8:

Illinois will identify, assess, and harden the state's high risk/vulnerability sites, based on the latest threat and vulnerability assessments, in partnership with the private sector, to prevent an incident, protect critical infrastructure, and mitigate health and safety risk to the public.

1.0 Common Capabilities

1.1 Planning- Conduct a systematic process engaging the whole community as appropriate in the development of executable strategic, operational, and/or community-based approaches to meet defined objectives.

Desired Outcomes:

- 1.1.1** Conduct whole community planning in all functional areas for organizations having a role in response and/or recovery.
- 1.1.2** Correlate plans and procedures across all disciplines for efficiencies in response and recovery.
- 1.1.3** Establish and maintain whole community partnerships and advisory committees in support of prevention, protection, mitigation, response and recovery efforts.

1.2 Public Information and Warning- Deliver coordinated, prompt, reliable, and actionable information to the whole community through the use of clear, consistent, accessible, and culturally and linguistically appropriate methods to effectively relay information regarding any threat or hazard and, as appropriate, the actions being taken and the assistance being made available.

Desired Outcomes:

- 1.2.1** Develop an integrated public information plan using multiple formats, including provisions for response to inquiries and rumor control.
- 1.2.2** Develop and implement a public education, information, and awareness campaign for the general public and key decision-makers.

1.3 Operational Coordination- Establish and maintain a unified and coordinated operational structure and process that appropriately integrates all critical stakeholders and supports the execution of core capabilities.



Desired Outcomes:

- 1.3.1** Establish a system integrating multi-jurisdictional/disciplinary information for development of a common operating picture.
- 1.3.2** Execute and coordinate strategic priorities and objectives for response and recovery operations.

2.0 Prevention Capabilities

- 2.1 Intelligence and Information Sharing**- Provide timely, accurate and actionable information resulting from the planning, direction, collection, exploitation, processing, analysis, production, dissemination, evaluation, and feedback of available information concerning threats to the United States, its people, property or interests; the development, proliferation, or use of WMDs; or any other matter bearing on U.S. national or homeland security by federal, state, local and other stakeholders. Information sharing is the ability to exchange intelligence, information, data, or knowledge among federal, state, local, or private sector entities, as appropriate.

Desired Outcomes:

- 2.1.1** Develop consistent frameworks and collaborative structures for intelligence gathering, sharing and dissemination among the whole community.
- 2.1.2** Integrate systems for data collection and sharing among public and private sectors to ensure damage assessments, intelligence information, suspicious activity reports, and prevention initiatives are distributed to the appropriate authority having jurisdiction.
- 2.1.3** Implement and utilize intelligence platforms and processes to identify primary, secondary, and tertiary threats/hazards obtained from collaborative intelligence activities, threat assessments, alert networks, surveillance programs, and other sources of information obtained from the whole community.
- 2.1.4** Disseminate timely and actionable communications and warnings of actual or impending emergencies to key decision makers, emergency response personnel, and public, private, volunteer, and non-governmental organizations as appropriate.

3.0 Protection Capabilities

- 3.1 Access Control and Identity Verification**- Apply a broad range of physical, technological, and cyber measures to control admittance to critical locations and systems, limiting access to authorized individuals to carry out legitimate activities.



Desired Outcomes:

- 3.1.1** Develop a consistent process and system for credentialing public, private, volunteer, and non-governmental response personnel.
- 3.1.2** Implement and maintain protocols for integrated access control measures necessary for response and recovery to life-line critical infrastructure.
- 3.2** **Cyber Security**- Protect against damage to, the unauthorized use of, and/or the exploitation of electronic communications systems and services (and the information contained therein), and ensure restoration of services.

Desired Outcomes:

- 3.2.1** Develop a whole community approach for cyber incidents with identified trigger points for phased response.
- 3.2.2** Develop protocols and measures for whole community to protect critical and sensitive information.
- 3.3** **Physical Protection Measures**- including actions targeted at threats, vulnerabilities, and/or consequences, by controlling movement and protecting borders, critical infrastructure, and the homeland.

Desired Outcomes:

- 3.3.1** Develop critical infrastructure protection and hardening capabilities to enhance security and mitigate risk.
- 3.4** **Supply Chain Integrity and Security**- Strengthen the security and resilience of the supply chain.

Desired Outcomes:

- 3.4.1** Develop and implement whole community preparedness efforts to secure life-safety and life essential supply chains.

4.0 Mitigation Capabilities

- 4.1** **Community Resilience**- Lead the integrated effort to recognize, understand, communicate, plan, and address risks so that the community can develop a set of actions to accomplish mitigation and improve resilience.

Desired Outcomes:

- 4.1.1** Provide public education to the whole community, defining strategies and initiatives to lessen hazard impact.
- 4.1.2** Develop partnerships to integrate information on resilience in support of whole community efforts.



- 4.2 Long-term Vulnerability Reduction-** Build and sustain resilient systems, communities, and critical infrastructure and key resource lifelines to reduce their vulnerability to natural, technological, and human-caused incidents by lessening the likelihood, severity, and duration of the adverse consequences of these incidents.

Desired Outcomes:

- 4.2.1** Implement a whole community planning process to identify enhancements necessary for risk reduction to the population and life-line critical infrastructure.
- 4.2.2** Coordinate federal grant funding efforts for whole community long-term vulnerability reduction and resiliency.

- 4.3 Threats and Hazard Identification-** Identify the threats and hazards that occur in the geographic area, determine frequency and magnitude, and incorporate this into analysis and planning processes so as to clearly understand the needs of a community or entity.

Desired Outcomes:

- 4.3.1** Review hazard characteristics, identify whole community vulnerabilities, and determine inter/intra dependencies.
- 4.3.2** Incorporate whole community threat and hazard identification assessments to enhance response and recovery plans.
- 4.3.3** Conduct whole community planning to establish coordinated priorities, strategies, and performance objectives for resource adjudication.

5.0 Response Capabilities

- 5.1 Critical Transportation-** Provide transportation (including infrastructure access and accessible transportation services) for response priority objectives, including the evacuation of people and animals, and the delivery of vital response personnel, equipment, and services into the affected areas.

Desired Outcomes:

- 5.1.1** Conduct whole community planning to develop transportation plans for the restoration of life-line critical infrastructure, supply chains, and providing assistance to impacted populations.
- 5.2 Environmental Response/Health and Safety-** Ensure the availability of guidance and resources to address all hazards, including hazardous materials, acts of terrorism, and natural disasters, in support of responder operations and the affected communities.



Desired Outcomes:

- 5.2.1 Implement and disseminate consistent general public health and safety pre-scripted broadcast prior to, during, and after events.
- 5.2.2 Implement and disseminate consistent responder health and safety protocols, procedures, and guidance prior to, during, and after events.
- 5.2.3 Implement and maintain protocols for debris management, hazardous materials recovery, the resumption of potable water, wastewater, and sanitation consistent with current environmental protection agency regulations.
- 5.2.4 Assess and monitor the health, welfare, and morale of the public and responders throughout event structures.
- 5.2.5 Implement consistent procedures and protocol for sustained transition from short-term recovery through long-term recovery.

- 5.3 **Mass Search and Rescue Operations**- Deliver traditional and atypical search and rescue capabilities, including personnel, services, animals, and assets to survivors in need, with the goal of saving the greatest number of endangered lives in the shortest time possible.

Desired Outcomes:

- 5.3.1 Coordinate plans and procedures with the whole community for integration of mass search and rescue assets across all levels of response and recovery.
- 5.3.2 Conduct training for the whole community on internal and external capabilities, limitations, and operational structures to ensure common platforms for coordination and use of mass search and rescue resources.
- 5.3.3 Conduct an administrative self-assessment review using national standards for urban search and rescue teams to enhance existing processes with movement towards independent assessment and national recognition.

- 5.4 **Operational Communications**- Ensure the capacity for timely communications in support of security, situational awareness, and operations by any and all means available, among and between affected communities in the impact area and all response forces.

Desired Outcomes:

- 5.4.1 Conduct an analysis of current whole community communication structures to identify primary and alternate means of communication.
- 5.4.2 Conduct whole community planning to integrate communications capabilities supporting situational awareness and response and recovery operations.



5.4.3 Establish and maintain a whole community communication infrastructure supporting response and recovery.

5.5 **Public Health and Medical Services-** Provide lifesaving medical treatment via emergency medical services and related operations and avoid additional disease and injury by providing targeted public health and medical support and products to all people in need within the affected area.

Desired Outcomes:

5.5.1 Coordinate emergency medical services for populations requiring disaster related services resulting from a catastrophic event to avoid additional disease and injury.

5.5.2 Implement control mechanisms to prevent the spread and/or migration of foodborne, waterborne, vector borne, and other infectious diseases.

5.5.3 Deliver approved and identified medical counter measures to exposed populations and responders.

5.5.4 Establish and sustain medical surge and triage efforts in support of casualties to include transport and treatment for those likely to survive injuries.

5.5.5 Coordinate and disseminate public information on health and safety concerns along primary and alternative systems to ensure diverse populations are adequately educated and informed.

5.6 **Situational Assessment-** Provide all decision makers with decision-relevant information regarding the nature and extent of the hazard, any cascading effects, and the status of the response.

Desired Outcomes:

5.6.1 Develop whole community critical and priority information requirements to determine priorities, strategies, goals, and objectives.

5.6.2 Incorporate whole community critical and priority information requirements into all response and recovery operations.

5.7 **On-Scene Security and Protection-** Ensure a safe and secure environment through law enforcement and related security and protection operations for people and communities located within affected areas and also for all traditional and atypical response personnel engaged in lifesaving and life-sustaining operations.

Desired Outcomes:

5.7.1 Coordinate on-scene force security and protection for the safeguarding of response personnel, staging areas, critical facilities, commodities, and material.



- 5.7.2 Coordinate and implement force security and protection for affected populations.

6.0 Recovery Capabilities

- 6.1 **Economic Recovery**- Return economic and business activities (including food and agriculture) to a healthy state and develop new business and employment opportunities that result in a sustainable and economically viable community.

Desired Outcomes:

- 6.1.1 Develop long-term disaster recovery and restoration plans for the whole community.

- 6.1.2 Provide technical assistance and support to the whole community in assessing economic, social, psychological, and physical damages associated with recovery.

- 6.2 **Health and Social Services**- Restore and improve health and social services networks to promote the resilience, independence, health (including behavioral health), and well-being of the whole community.

- 6.2.1 Complete an assessment of impacts, risks, consequences, and vulnerabilities to whole community health and social services.

- 6.2.2 Conduct whole community planning to identify, restore and sustain life-safety and life essential services.

- 6.2.3 Development and implement a whole community health and social service plan incorporating persons with disabilities/functional needs, and special populations to restore and improve community resilience.

- 6.3 **Housing**- Implement housing solutions that effectively support the needs of the whole community and contribute to its sustainability and resilience.

Desired Outcomes:

- 6.3.1 Conduct whole community planning to establish temporary shelters and/or housing for displaced populations.

- 6.3.2 Provide technical assistance and support to the whole community in assessing the need for temporary housing of displaced populations.

- 6.4 **Infrastructure Systems**- Stabilize critical infrastructure functions, minimize health and safety threats, and efficiently restore and revitalize systems and services to support a viable, resilient community.

Desired Outcomes:

- 6.4.1 Develop whole community prioritized restoration of life-line critical infrastructure.

