



Indiana Department of Homeland Security

SAFEGUARDING **INDIANA**

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

I am honored to provide this annual report to the Indiana General Assembly, sharing ways that the employees of the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) safeguard the lives and property of Hoosiers every day.

This fiscal year, IDHS developed a five-year plan. This plan outlines a comprehensive strategy for the protection of the people, property and prosperity of Indiana. In addition to this general, overall plan, separate divisions and programs within IDHS have developed and implemented area- and project-specific plans. All IDHS agency plans integrate with Governor Holcomb's Five Pillars of Good Government where appropriate:

- Cultivate a Strong and Diverse Economy for Growing Indiana as a Magnet for Jobs
- Create a 20-year Plan to Fund Roads and Bridges
- Develop a 21st Century Skilled and Ready Workforce
- Attack the Drug Epidemic
- Deliver Great Government Service

Our contributions to the principles above include the implementation of Naloxone and support for emergency responders and educators who influence Hoosiers on the problems of drug addictions. All IDHS personnel, no matter their positions, are charged with delivering great government service and for incorporating this objective into their area-specific five-year goals.

The Academy

Completing its second year, the Indiana Fire and Public Safety Academy Training System continues to improve training for firefighters, emergency medical service providers and other public safety professionals in numerous categories and at various levels. This fiscal year, 10 primary sites were designated throughout the state and will deliver training through the district training system. Staff continue to work to improve curricula and improve the efficiency of training throughout the state.

Naloxone

This year, IDHS implemented the ability for all levels of Emergency Medical Services personnel to administer naloxone for the emergency treatment of opioid overdose. Naloxone can reverse the effects of opioid poisoning and keep emergency patients breathing and prevent immediate

About IDHS Executive Director Bryan Langley

Appointed by Governor Eric J. Holcomb on January 9, 2017, Director Langley is responsible for the state's emergency management and homeland security efforts.

Mr. Langley previously served as Global Security Manager at Cummins, Inc., a Fortune 200 company with more than 55,000 employees and a presence in 190 countries. Previously, he was a Senior Consultant at Booz Allen Hamilton Consulting. He worked in the White House from 2005-2009 as the U.S. Assistant Chief of Protocol, and served in various roles on the Bush-Cheney campaign. He also worked in Washington, D.C. in the Department of Education.



Executive Director Bryan J. Langley

death. Indiana has seen an increase of opioid-related incidents over the last year, and this spring received reports that synthetic opioids had entered the state. Information on safety measures and best practices were additionally provided to first responders, due to the increased danger of accidental overdose.

Cybersecurity

The Division of Planning and Assessment this year added a Cyber Response Annex to the Indiana Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. The Annex takes federal guidance and National Infrastructure Protection Plan best practices to convene a coordinating body of subject-matter

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

experts for resource identification and Emergency Operations Center support. In this fiscal year, IDHS developed a new road map for cyber security that includes IDHS, Indiana Office of Technology, Indiana State Police and Indiana National Guard.

Radiological/Nuclear Detection Program

This IDHS program, established in March 2015, has dramatically increased efforts to keep Hoosiers safe from potential threats posed by radiological and nuclear materials. Among the program's accomplishments this fiscal year: two Quickstart courses were held, educating professionals about detection procedures and equipment use. The detection program also has provided operational support and subject matter expertise to numerous events, including the Indianapolis 500, Brickyard 400, Big Ten Football Championships, Indianapolis Colts games, Men's NCAA Basketball Tournament, Women's Big Ten Basketball Tournament, Men's PGA/BMW Golf Tournament, Red Bull Air Race, 500 Festival Mini-Marathon and parade, Komen Race for the Cure, Circle of Lights ceremony and the Indianapolis St. Patrick's Day Parade.

Regional Services

The Planning and Assessment Division, Preparedness and Training Division, and IDHS District Coordinators developed the Regional Services Program to deliver specific planning and training initiatives based upon the identified needs of the local emergency management entities. The program assigns a training officer and planner to work with the district coordinators within each region, providing additional support to counties across the state.

FEMA Earthquake Plan Update

With Indiana exposed to two major seismic zones, the Wabash Valley Seismic Zone and the New Madrid Seismic Zone, it is only a matter of time before severe damage from an earthquake impacts the state. Over this last year, the Federal Emergency Management Agency has embedded a planner within IDHS, who has worked with agency staff, as well as other agencies within the state to develop the Indiana portion of a broader district plan for earthquake response.

Nuclear Power Plant Incident Plan

IDHS continues to annually revise the Indiana Ingestion Pathway Plan, which prepares the state to respond to a hazardous incident involving a nuclear power plant in two neighboring states. As part of federal requirements, Indiana is also planning and training in preparation for a 2019 full-scale exercise, which will be held in partnership with Michigan. Illinois and Michigan each have two nuclear

power plants near Indiana; and an incident at any of those four plants could negatively affect an 11-county area in northern and northwestern Indiana. Indiana does not have a nuclear power plant within its borders.

Public Awareness/Education

IDHS has continued its extensive public information campaigns, and proactive and reactive media relations efforts aimed at keeping Hoosiers safe, protecting property and keeping the Indiana economy robust. Through these campaigns, Hoosiers are better informed about cybersecurity, fire prevention, fireworks safety, terrorism awareness and a host of other hazard-related issues.

Transparency

The Office of Legal Counsel, over the last year, reviewed and processed more than 400 requests for public records, providing information to interested citizens.

Road Shows

IDHS teams visited all 10 of its districts to meet with local first responders, emergency managers and planning councils. The "road show" seminars allowed emergency response leaders across the state to learn about the services and support IDHS can provide.

Database Improvements

The Agency is working with the Indiana Office of Technology (IOT) to update and streamline the database used to track and quantify the work of the IDHS Division of Fire and Building Safety. IOT has started working on the permit and licensing needs of the Elevator and Amusement Ride Section.

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The screenshot displays the IDHS website with the following content:

- Header: Get a Kit, Make a Plan, Be Informed, Get Involved
- Navigation links: Information for Responsible Volunteering and Donating, Low Head Dam Safety, National Terror Alert System, Indiana County Travel Advisory Map
- Main content area with eight safety topics, each with an image and a "READY WHENEVER WHEREVER" logo:
 - Severe Weather
 - Preparedness
 - Fireworks Safety
 - Cybersecurity
 - Amusement Ride Safety
 - Fire Safety
 - Heating Safety

Did You Know?

IDHS provides Hoosiers with extensive personal and public safety advice online at GetPrepared.in.gov.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Streamlining Financial

IDHS hired a new chief financial officer this fiscal year and has begun instituting changes and improvements to the way that the Agency handles both our state funding and federal grant funding. The grant and fiscal teams have been working diligently to update and address tracking issues, and to adhere to and implement all recommendations and best practices from federal and state partners. This has resulted in a higher efficiency within the department and cost savings within the Agency.

Supporting Communities

IDHS responded to a variety of emergencies during fiscal year 2016, most notably severe storms which caused extensive damage in August and large scale flooding in May. The state Emergency Operations Center, led by IDHS, coordinated the state response in support the effected county and local jurisdictions.

The Agency additionally received approval to move forward with a camera system upgrade project, which will replace existing, aging servers with new hardware. The project was expanded to include coverage of the White River Parks parking garage and trail behind the Zoo, the Indiana War Memorial, Medal of Honor Memorial, 911 Memorial, as well as the Indiana Government Center North and South parking garages and Legislative parking lots. This program will improve coordination between state and local partners.

Supporting Neighbors

District coordinators with IDHS continue to establish relationships across borders with the four states that surround Indiana in order to exchange ideas and potential training opportunities, as well as address challenges.

IDHS also coordinated Indiana's response to other states' Emergency Management Assistance Compact requests for assistance following major weather events.

Safeguarding Hoosiers

The following pages contain statistics and examples that illustrate the vast, challenging and crucially important efforts undertaken by IDHS. Even more important than statistics and descriptions of activities are the people who make it all happen.

The staff members of the Indiana Department of Homeland Security have extremely challenging jobs and gladly bear the serious responsibilities their duties to safeguard Hoosiers require. They serve the people of Indiana through the most crucial aspects of community life –prevention of, preparation for, response to and recovery from danger.

Did You Know?

IDHS can deploy incident response vehicles/trailers that provide computer work stations, satellite/Wi-Fi connections, video systems and lighting systems in communities devastated by natural disasters? Similar resources were deployed to the City of Delphi's Joint Law Enforcement Task Force for the homicide investigation of two teenage girls in early 2017.



While Indiana most often faces danger through the onslaught of nature, the Agency also knows the importance of preparing for dangerous man-made situations. Our agency developed a strategy for the Counter-Terrorism and Security Council with key deliverables shared to the public this fiscal year and next.

IDHS works to protect Indiana's citizens, economy and quality of life. I am extremely proud of how our IDHS team serves the people of Indiana while preparing, responding and recovering from myriad situations that state faces regularly. This fiscal year, our agency d

Our work is supported by a multitude of local, state and federal partners, both public and private. Through these key relationships, Indiana is brought into a stronger position to protect Hoosiers. On behalf of the entire agency, I would like to extend my deepest gratitude.

This report provides data and insights to help lawmakers and the Hoosiers they represent, understand the challenging work facing the dedicated staff members at the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. It also provides brief explanations of key projects and programs that are continuing to safeguard Indiana.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership in working for a more secure Indiana.

Sincerely,

Bryan Langley
Executive Director

SAFEGUARDING PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Summary

Building inspectors with the Indiana Department of Homeland Security are charged with conducting rigorous safety inspections to help ensure that public buildings are safe for Hoosiers. Such inspections include structures in which Indiana children spend a great deal of time – schools and childcare sites.

Other vital responsibilities of IDHS include the inspection of boilers and pressure vessels, which are containers holding gases or liquids used for heating and other purposes, as well as elevators and escalators.

By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Building inspections	15,237	Elevators/escalators inspected	13,194
Construction design releases issued	11,490	Inspections in schools	1,483
Variances for structures approved	995	Boiler and pressure vessels inspected	41,452
Inspections in childcare provider locations	2,631	Inspections in hospital and healthcare facilities	1,465



Did you know? IDHS safeguards families by inspecting amusement rides at carnivals, fairs, theme parks and zoos. This fiscal year, inspectors conducted 944 amusement ride inspections. Inspectors also put in over 600 hours of inspections during the 2017 Indiana State Fair, resulting in no substantive reported ride incidents.



Did you know? IDHS licenses fireworks vendors to help ensure that fireworks products sold in Indiana are safe and legal. This fiscal year, IDHS issued 856 licenses to vendors.

Did You Know?

The Building Commissioner's office proposed a "Building Academy" educational event to provide much needed information about building and construction regulation to anyone who needs it. The program is intended for local individual entrepreneurs to design professionals, and is modeled on Purdue University's Road School. A partnership was initiated with the Purdue Polytechnic Institute to bring the program to fruition in late 2018.

SAFEGUARDING COMMUNITIES FROM ARSONISTS

Summary

One of the most heinous crimes against people and property is arson, the intentional setting of fires. State Fire Marshal investigators in the Indiana Department of Homeland Security travel to all corners of the state when local fire chiefs request help in determining causes of suspicious fires.

The investigators have arrest powers and can take suspected arsonists into custody. Investigators made 25 felony arrests during the fiscal year, including the arrest and conviction of two serial firefighter arsonists in Perry County and Monroe County.

By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Suspicious fires investigated	473
Fires determined to be intentionally set	156

Damage estimate of all fires investigated	\$35,225,424
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Did you know? State Fire Marshal investigators provide hands-on fire investigation training to fire departments. During Fiscal Year 2016, investigators taught 22 individuals from Jeffersonville and Clarksville Fire Departments in Clark County.

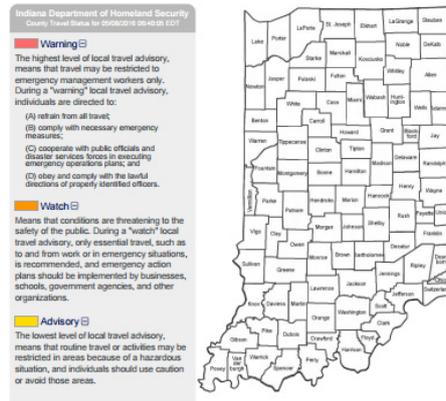
Did You Know?

IDHS maintains a Statewide Burn Ban Status Map online so that citizens and first responders can quickly identify counties that have burn bans in effect.

SAFEGUARDING AGAINST AND MANAGING CRISES

Summary

Planning and assessment professionals in the Indiana Department of Homeland Security are constantly working to prepare for a crisis before one occurs – and preparing for that inevitable crisis, be it man-made or an act of nature, that will occur somehow, sometime, somewhere. The state’s emergency planners work collaboratively with communities across Indiana, with partners in other states and with federal agencies to develop and share best practices for response and recovery, and for protecting people and property. The array of crisis planning efforts includes areas such as cybersecurity, critical infrastructure and travel safety.



By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Emergency response plans maintained by the IDHS Planning and Assessment Division	23
Emergency response plans supported by IDHS but “owned” by other state agencies or IDHS divisions	22
Number of plans reviewed/revised and/or exercised	13

Did you know? IDHS maintains a Travel Advisory Map for digital mobile devices, to provide information that assists Hoosiers in making the safest choice about driving in severe weather.

Installations of Travel Advisory App	81,198
Launches of Travel Advisory App	1,014,568
Individual “Taps”	1,703,196

Did You Know?

The Planning and Assessment Division coordinated the implementation of the Indiana School Safety Guidelines for Emergency Response Systems. These Guidelines include minimum standards and best practices that if adopted will assist K-12 facilities become better prepared within all aspects of school safety.

The Planning and Assessment Division hosted a seminar for more than 15 state agencies to begin the Continuity of Government Plan planning process. Continuity of government (COG) is the principle of establishing defined procedures that allow a state government to continue its essential operations in case of a catastrophic event.

SAFEGUARDING HOOSIERS THROUGH DISASTER RESPONSE

Summary

Hoosiers are no strangers to natural disasters, and this fiscal year, they faced tornados, ice, floods and severe storms. The State Emergency Operations Center, stood ready to monitor situations throughout all of the state's weather events, as well as monitoring current, emerging or possible threats around the clock.

The State EOC additionally assists in deploying resources to communities across the state, helping local agencies in responding to the needs of the communities. Some of the IDHS resources are highlighted below.



IDHS has a portable mortuary unit with structures and medical equipment ready for rapid deployment for a tragic mass casualty situation such as a jetliner crash.



The volunteer Indiana Building Emergency Assessment and Monitoring Team coordinated by IDHS – and consisting of architects and engineers – deploys to inspect the safety of buildings damaged during natural disasters such as tornados or earthquakes, or damaged by human actions such as terrorism.

Did You Know?

During a major emergency IDHS establishes and coordinates a Joint Information Center with appropriate state agencies to provide quick, reliable news updates and safety messages to citizens and journalists.



Did you know? IDHS can deploy a 53-foot-long mobile command center to facilitate emergency response efforts anywhere in the state should disaster strike.

SAFEGUARDING HEALTH BY TRAINING EMS PROFESSIONALS

Summary

Through the Indiana Fire and Public Safety Academy Training System, IDHS oversees the training and certification of emergency medical professionals throughout the state. During the fiscal year, IDHS fully implemented the National Registry of EMT (NREMT) testing for the certification of all new EMTs in the State of Indiana, providing a nationally standard examination for Indiana's certification process.

A total of 11,941 certifications and licenses were renewed in Indiana during the fiscal year. Additionally, 2,998 new certifications were issued in EMS professions – categories are broken down in the bullet points below.



Did you know? IDHS provides, free of a charge, a Mobile Simulation Laboratory to provide hands-on training sessions for new and veteran emergency medical services personnel.

By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

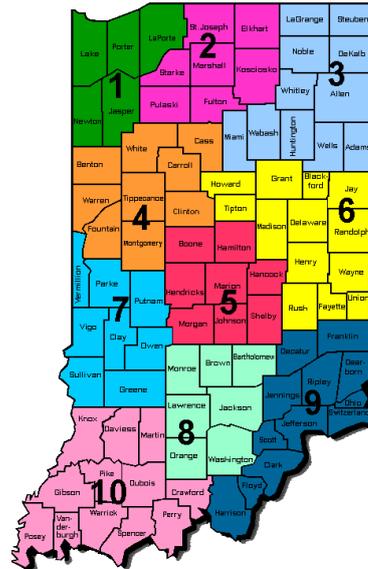
Paramedics certified	256
Advanced emergency medical technicians certified	79
Emergency medical technicians certified	1,719
Emergency medical responders certified	514
Primary instructors certified	52
Emergency vehicle operator course certifications	262

SAFEGUARDING INDIANA BY TRAINING EMERGENCY RESPONDERS AND MANAGERS

Summary

The end of this fiscal year marked the two-year anniversary of the establishment of the Indiana Fire and Public Safety Academy Training System, through which a vast array of education, training and certification programs are managed. The Academy’s categories of training and certification include, but are not limited to, aircraft crash response, firefighting, fire education for the public, fire investigations, fire officer training, hazardous materials response, rope rescues, structural collapse rescues, swift-water rescues, trench rescues and vehicle/machinery rescues.

The Board of Firefighting Personnel Standards and Education received accreditation from the International Fire Service Accreditation Council. Categories included in this accreditation are: Firefighter I, Firefighter II, Hazardous Materials Awareness, Hazardous Materials Operations, Fire Officer I, Fire Officer II, Fire Officer III and Instructor I. This accreditation is for three years.



Did you know? IDHS has 10 district coordinators stationed throughout the state to assist local first responders in planning, training, emergency response and emergency recovery.

By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Firefighters, rescuers, officers, investigators, instructors certified	10,903
Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program graduates	80
Incident Command System 300-Level (National Incident Mgmt. Syst.) graduates	351
Incident Command System 400-Level (National Incident Mgmt. Syst.) graduates	514
K-9 teams, Search-and-Rescue graduates	587
Bleeding Control graduates	324

SAFEGUARDING INDIANA BY MANAGING RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS TRANSPORTATION AND EMERGENCIES

Summary

IDHS is charged with regulating and monitoring all radioactive materials transported through the state. The agency’s radiation and hazardous materials response teams are dispatched around the state to actual or suspected emergency incidents involving radioactive materials. Also, the agency’s radioactive materials experts conduct training and exercises for first responders and for citizens.

The Indiana Radiological Transportation Plan, which outlines the state’s emergency response efforts to a radioactive waste/material transportation accident, began a major revision this fiscal year. The goal of the plan is to outline the coordination and collaboration between local, state and federal partners in the event of an incident, as well as provide simple and easy to understand emergency response guidance to state and local responders.

By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Total number of incidents (involving actual or suspected radioactive materials) responded to	208
Total number of counties through which all levels of shipments passed	50
Total number of shipment permits issued for Highway Route Controlled Quantity (HRCQ) radioactive materials	54
Total number of shipment permits issued for high-level radioactive waste or spent nuclear fuel (This shipment was from a research reactor, no commercial shipping is occurring at this time).	1

Total number of shipment permits issued for low-level radioactive waste	207
Total number of responders trained for radiation response/detection	282
Total number of responders trained for radiological emergency preparedness/nuclear power plant	389

SAFEGUARDING FUTURES THROUGH DISASTER RELIEF

Summary

IDHS administers the State Disaster Relief Fund, which provides financial assistance for repairing and replacing eligible properties damaged in a disaster. Cities, towns, townships or individual citizens who did not qualify for federal assistance may be eligible for assistance from this state fund.

Also, IDHS works to obtain disaster assistance funding through FEMA's Public Assistance Grant Program, which can fund 75 percent of projects that help communities recover from or mitigate disaster damage to property owned publicly or by nonprofits.

Highlights (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

State Disaster Relief Fund Individual Assistance grants awards completed for disasters in St. Joseph and Howard counties: 88 grants, totaling \$390,036.

Public Assistance Program activities: three disaster declarations currently open, with a total reimbursement to applicants of \$1,156,205.

Public Assistance Grant Program closure of Disaster Relief declarations: DR1795 and DR4058, with a total dispersal to applicants of \$28,803,172.

The Public Assistance Infrastructure Program offered 12 courses on damage assessments and debris management, with 237 participants.

Two disasters declared eligible for State Disaster Relief Fund Individual Assistance grants. Inspections have begun in 13 counties (Clark, Crawford, Daviess, Floyd, Harrison, Jackson, Martin, Orange, Perry, Pike, Scott, Spencer and Warrick).

Completed a Joint Preliminary Damage Assessment with the Public Assistance Infrastructure Program in cooperation with FEMA in 18 counties (Clark, Crawford, Dearborn, Dubois, Floyd, Gibson, Greene, Jackson, Knox, Madison, Morgan, Orange, Owen, Parke, Pike, Posey, Vanderburgh and Warrick) due to severe storms, flooding and tornadoes April 27 through May 10, 2017. No declaration was approved.



Did you know? IDHS coordinates training throughout the state for Community Emergency Response Teams, volunteers who support the efforts of first responders and who may be first on the scene to assist Hoosiers in times of disaster.



Did you know? IDHS oversees the Indiana Incident Management Assistance Team, a multi-agency forward response team that supports local Hoosier communities with advice, mentoring or management during disasters. This team is also available for deployment to other states to assist in large scale disasters, such as hurricanes, winter storms or tornadoes.

SAFEGUARDING FIRST RESPONDERS & PUBLIC SAFETY CAREERS

Summary

Sales of the Secure Indiana license plate are used by the **Indiana Homeland Security Foundation** to fund emergency response equipment for use by first responders in communities throughout the state. Individual grants of up to \$4,000 are available to public safety agencies and local governments. Also, the foundation provides scholarships to college students interested in pursuing careers in public safety.



Did you know? The Secure Indiana specialized license plate can be purchased from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles online or at any license branch, and proceeds fund the grants and scholarships described to the left.

By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Grant recipients	98	Students receiving scholarships	18
Counties in which grants were received	31	Total amount of scholarships awarded	\$34,000
Total dollar amounts of grants awarded	\$168,364		

SAFEGUARDING HOOSIER LIVES AND PROPERTY BY MITIGATING AGAINST DISASTERS

Summary

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security is the liaison between Hoosier communities hurt by natural disasters – floods, tornadoes, harsh winter weather – and U.S. government grant funds available through FEMA. In that capacity, IDHS works with local governments, nonprofits, businesses and citizens to assess damage, document damage and properly apply for financial help from the federal government. In addition to such efforts after a disaster, IDHS also applies for grants that can lessen or eliminate potential harm from disasters – such efforts may include acquiring properties prone to flooding or constructing a tornado “safe room” in a school. Sometimes, the mitigation process – from initial application to final dispersal of funds – takes several years.

By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant	Obtained for acquisition of 13 structures in Greenwood	\$973,121
	Obtained for acquisition of eight structures in Decatur	\$428,156
	Obtained for acquisition of four structures in Fort Wayne	\$248,703
	Obtained for acquisition of two structures in Wells County	\$175,851
	Obtained for acquisition of one structure in Auburn	\$134,737
	Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Grant obtained for twenty-six counties (Adams, Allen, Blackford, Carroll, Cass, Daviess, Decatur, Delaware, Dubois, Fountain, Fulton, Huntington, Jay, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Newton, Porter, Pulaski, Spencer, Sullivan, Tipton, Vanderburgh, Vermillion, Wabash, Warren and Whitley)	\$435,188

Highlights (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Eight county plans have been completed and approved: Clark, Dearborn, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Perry, Scott and Tippecanoe.

SAFEGUARDING SCHOOLS

Summary

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security administers a grant program that helps schools and school systems make safety enhancements. The Secured Schools Safety Grant Program, launched in 2013, provides grants for use in one or more of three categories: employing a school resource officer, conducting threat assessments, or purchasing equipment/technology that helps restrict access to school properties or notifies responders of emergencies.

By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Schools or school systems receiving full funding of proposals	171
Applications denied	3
Total dollar amount awarded	\$6,332,608

Did You Know?

IDHS provides online resources to help citizens respond in active shooter situations.

IDHS » [GET PREPARED](#) » [ACTIVE SHOOTER RESOURCES](#)

ACTIVE SHOOTER RESOURCES

The IDHS Active Shooter Resource page is intended to provide awareness and preparedness information to Indiana communities for an active shooter situation. These web pages are not intended to replace training, but offer best practice information, active shooter research, training opportunities, response plan guidelines, and scenario videos.

Information available through the links below and in the following pages was prepared with the expertise of identified state and federal agencies. The Indiana Department of Homeland Security provides these links as educational and safety resources. Each person and organization reviewing the content should evaluate and apply information as deemed necessary.

[Government Agency Resources](#)

[First Responder Resources](#)

[Citizen Resources](#)

[Business Resources](#)

[School, College Resources](#)

[Faith-Based Organization Resources](#)

[Healthcare Organization Resources](#)

SAFEGUARDING COMMUNITIES AGAINST CHEMICAL EMERGENCIES

Summary

Duties of the IDHS Hazardous Materials Section include providing hazmat training, emergency response assistance and support to local response agencies and businesses. The program provides technical advisors during hazardous material incidents and deploy state-of-the-art response equipment to address such events. The section is also home to the Superfund and Reauthorization Act (SARA) program which oversees the monitoring and reporting on the storage of potentially hazardous chemicals in the state – per requirements of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act and the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act.

This work allows federal, state and local agencies – and the public – to know which chemicals are where, and in what amounts, in Indiana counties. Such knowledge facilitates the prevention of, response to, and recovery from chemical emergencies. For example, it allows firefighters en route to a fire to know what kinds of chemicals will be present at the scene. Reporting and required fee collections are managed through a system known as Tier II, implemented according to federal and state laws.

By the Numbers (July 1, 2016–June 30, 2017)

Number of active Tier II facilities	6,558
Tier II allocations	\$596,030



Did you know? IDHS coordinates work with Local Emergency Planning Committees, which are responsible for developing and updating response plans specific to Indiana counties in case of accidental chemical spill as well as planning and implementing exercise to practice those plans. In this fiscal year, 75 LEPC response plans were reviewed for compliance and 78 LEPCs were funded.

MISSION

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security works 24/7 to protect the people, property and prosperity of Indiana.

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