

## OUR HISTORY AND OUR FUTURE

Jefferson County Homeland Security began under a FEMA Project Impact Grant in 2001 that funded the organization through mid-2004. The JCHSEM Steering Committee was designated by the Jefferson County Commission as the group that operates the Citizen Corps program within Jefferson County, including the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program. In 2007, the County Commission merged JCOHS with the County's Emergency Management Department to form Jefferson County Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

**Our Committees:** Steering Committee that also serves as the County's Citizen Corps Council; Partnership and Volunteer Development; Public Awareness, Education and Training; All Hazards Risk Assessment & Mitigation Planning; and Counter Terrorism. Our department serves the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) for Information Coordination and Administration.

Quarterly Partnership Meetings are held where all Partners are invited to share in a subject interesting to the entire Partnership, to find out what other committees and members are doing, and to share in networking time with other partners.

### **Memberships held in:**

- Eastern Panhandle Emergency Management Agency Council
- WV Emergency Management Council
- International Association of Emergency Managers
- Association of State Floodplain Managers
- WV Floodplain Managers Association
- Resilient Neighbors Network

### **2017 Steering Committee Members**

John Sherwood, Chairman  
Ed Smith, Vice Chair  
Mason Carter  
Michele Goldman  
Clair Brendel  
Katherine Dunbar  
Sanford Green  
Jane Tabb  
Holly Morgan-Frye  
Kelly Parsons  
Jeff Polczynski  
Sheriff Pete Dougherty  
John Reisenwebber

### **Staff**

Director, Barbara Miller, CEM, CFM  
Deputy Director/Planner/Project Manager,  
Steve Allen

Administrative Assistant/Public Information Officer/  
Volunteer Coordinator, Brandon Vallee

### **County Commission**

Peter Onoszko, President  
Jane Tabb, Vice President  
Joshua Compton  
Caleb Wayne Hudson  
Patsy Noland

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**A Department of the Jefferson  
County Commission**



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## SOME OF OUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Director was selected by her peers in the WV Emergency Managers Council as the 2012 West Virginia Emergency Manager of the Year. She served as the Chair of the WV EM Council 2013-2014; Vice Chair 2010-2012, and currently serves as Ex-officio.

Selected for FEMA's "United We Stand" Award by FEMA Region III Regional Administrator, Mary Ann Tierney, the award recognizes JCHSEM and Jefferson County Citizen Corps Council for dedicated service commitment in engaging and educating residents about what it means to be prepared. December, 2010.

Named a CRS (Community Rating System of the National Flood Insurance Program) County. 10% discount on all Flood Policies outside of the municipalities in Jefferson County.

Received commendation "For Volunteer Service to the State of WV" from Governor Joe Manchin, June, 2006 and May 2007.

Developed the FIRST Multi-Jurisdictional Risk Assessment and All Hazards Mitigation Plan in the nation to be approved by WVOES and FEMA Region III under the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000. Approval received July, 2003. Revised July 2008. Revised 2013.

National Weather Service Designation as a StormReady Community. April, 2004—Present.

Director earned her International Emergency Manager Certification from IAEM. The Director and Deputy Director both hold a WV Class 3 Emergency Manager designation. This is the highest level for Emergency Managers in West Virginia. Director serves on the FEMA Region III Regional Director's Advisory Committee (RAC), 2011-Present.



## OUR PURPOSE

### Our Motto

Public Safety; Public Trust. We have adopted the international symbol for Emergency Management as our logo and our motto.

### Our Vision

Jefferson County Homeland Security and Emergency Management works to prepare and protect the citizens of Jefferson County, including the municipalities, from the effects of natural and human-caused disasters by working towards the development of a Disaster Resistant Community.

### Our Mission

Jefferson County Homeland Security and Emergency Management's mission is to reduce the loss of lives and property and protection of the environment from all types of hazards through a comprehensive emergency management program consisting of preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation.

Please visit our website for additional information on upcoming trainings, meetings and activities.

<http://www.jeffersoncountywv.org/county-government/departments/homeland-security-and-emergency-management>

## Our Plans

- Emergency Operations Plan, 2016
- All Hazards Risk Assessment & Mitigation Plan, 2013
- County Government Continuity of Operations Plan, 2016
- Hazardous Materials Emergency Plan, LEPC, 2013
- Commodity Flow Study, LEPC Plan, 2016
- Propane Risk Assessment, LEPC Plan, 2015

## Recent Exercise Participation

- 2016 Dark Grid, TTX, FE, and Full Scale
- 2016 County Govt. Continuity of Operations TTX
- 2015 Clandestine Chaos, TTX, FE, and Full Scale
- 2014 Cold As ICE, TTX, FE, and Full Scale
- 2013 SAT Down TTX, FE, and Full Scale
- 2013 LEPC TTX, Winds of Change
- 2013 Operation Newton— VA Center TTX and Full Scale Exercise
- 2012 Jennings Randolph Lake Dam Full Scale
- 2012 NCR Mass Dispensing Full Scale Exercise/EOC Activation