



*Innovative ways to maintain and
grow public safety programs*

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The Challenge

- Not enough of anything: personnel, volunteers, time, equipment, or funds
- Local governments are stretched: How many hats are you wearing?
- Knowing what we should be doing and not being able to get close to that goal

- Let's talk about first responders as well as large scale emergency and disaster management

Fire and EMS



- Not Self Supporting
 - SEMT
 - Bill for service
- Volunteer Recruitment and Retention
 - Policy and Procedure
 - Reduce nuisance calls (programs like connect matsu)
 - Employee recognition programs
 - Employer recognition programs
 - FD needs assessment

Police Department



- How do we attract qualified officers to our communities and have them remain?
- Police standards and procedures
- Facilities and Equipment
- Participate in the AML policy manual program
- Consider accreditation to remove future impediments
- Support in other ways

Emergency Management

- Long-term planning for larger public safety issues often takes a back door to daily operations and challenges
- Who is responsible for this?
- Staff turnover creates a training challenge
- Geography and other considerations makes mutual aid and cooperative work a challenge or not feasible

Planning

- Emergency Operations Plan
- Hazard Mitigation Plan (can be Multi-Jurisdictional)
- Continuity of Operations Plan
- Small Community Emergency Response Plan
- Community Wildfire Protection Plan



Training Resources

- FEMA Independent Study
- Rural Domestic Preparedness Consortium
- Emergency Management Institute
- TEEEX
- State of Alaska Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management
- Custom/Commercial Training - think about the future!

Drills and Exercise

- Selecting the right need – exercises don't have to be complicated!
Discussion or Operations Based
- Leverage existing regulatory requirements and partners
- Include in grant funding requests

Mutual Aid Agreements and Partnerships

- Interstate Mutual Aid
- Intrastate Mutual Aid
 - Alaska Intrastate Mutual Aid System (AIMAS)
 - 2012 HB 366, amending AS 26.23.40
 - Participants
 - Authorized Uses
 - <http://mutualaid.alaska.gov>
- Local Mutual Aid
 - AS 29.35.080: Allows municipalities to enter agreements for joint administration of services, which includes mutual aid agreements.