

# State of Vermont Urban Search and Rescue (USAR): Mission

- Respond to natural or manmade disasters including but not limited to:
  - Hurricanes
  - Flooding
  - Conflagrations/Fires
  - Explosions
  - Earthquakes
  - Weapons of Mass Destruction
  - State Police/Fire Safety Arson and Explosion Unit
  - Incidents beyond the capability of local emergency services



# Building Collapse

- Structural Stabilization
- Technical Search
- Extrication
- Removal
- Assist with Investigation



# K-9 Technical Search



# Active for 11 of 12 Disaster Declarations

- **DR1995-Severe storms and flooding, 04/23/11 - 05/09/11.**
- **DR4330-Severe storms and flooding, 06/28/17 - 07/01/17.**
- **DR4380-Severe storms and flooding, 05/04/18 - 05/05/18.**
- **DR4445-Severe storms and flooding, 04/15/19.**
- **DR4474-Severe storm and flooding, 10/31/19 - 11/01/19.**
- **DR4762-Severe storm and flooding, 12/18/23 - 12/19/23.**
- **DR4532-Vermont COVID-19 Pandemic, 01/20/20 - 05/11/23.**
- **DR4621-Severe storm and flooding, 07/29/21 - 07/30/21.**
- **DR4695-Severe storm and flooding, 12/22/22 - 12/24/22.**
- **DR4720-Severe storms and flooding, 07/07/23 - 07/21/23.**
- **DR4744-Severe storms and flooding, 08/03/23 - 08/05/23.**
- The Governor's Federal Disaster Declaration Request was submitted on 3/6/24 for damages in 5 counties from the Severe Wind and Heavy Wet Snow event, 1/09/24 - 1/13/24.



# Floodwater Rescue





Floodwater Rescue – From Tree

