



# VERMONT DIVISION OF EMERGENCY AND HOMELAND SECURITY

## DIVISION OVERVIEW

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### MISSION

The mission of the Vermont Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security is to ensure the state's resilience to disasters. DEMHS provides assistance to the people and communities of Vermont to prevent, protect, mitigate, respond to, and recover from natural and man-made threats and hazards in order to ensure the safety, quality of life, and economic vitality of the state and its citizens.

### GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

- Emergency Public Information
- Emergency Multi-Agency Coordination
- Local/ State/ Federal Coordination
- Disaster Declarations
- Threat/ Hazard Inventory and Risk Assessment and State Preparedness Report

### SECTION RESPONSIBILITIES

#### Operations and Logistics

- State Emergency Operations Center Readiness
- Communications/ RACES
- Local and State Response Asset Coordination
- VT Alert
- Disaster-LAN
- Division Watch Officer Program
- Division and SEOC Logistics
- Local Emergency Planning Committee/ State Emergency Response Commission Support

#### Planning

- State Emergency Operations Plan
- Local Emergency Operations Plan Support
- Critical Infrastructure Analysis and Planning
- Radiological Emergency Response Program

- Emergency Management Performance Grant Management

#### Homeland Security

- Homeland Security Grant Program Management
- Statewide Training and Exercise Program
- Statewide Interoperable Communications Coordination
- National Incident Management System Compliance

#### Recovery and Mitigation

- Public Assistance Program Administration
- Hazard Mitigation Program Management
- State Hazard Mitigation Plan Update and Revision
- State Recovery Annex Update and Revision