

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)

Charlotte City Council Discussion



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Charlotte-Mecklenburg Emergency Operations Office



- N.C. State legislature authorizes each County and municipality to establish emergency management agencies.
- The City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County have an interlocal agreement stating the City of Charlotte will operate the emergency management office for Mecklenburg County.
- The Charlotte-Mecklenburg Emergency Operations Office complies with the Division of Emergency Management policies and standards which are consistent with federal and state laws and regulations.
- The Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) updated from 2012 based on input from Crisis Focus, LLC, to ensure consistency with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), National Fire Protection Association 1600 (NFPA), Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP) compliant.



Emergency Operations Plan



- A multidisciplinary guide that establishes a single, comprehensive, framework for the management of resources before, during and after major emergencies, disasters and crisis situations within the county.
 - Provides a systematic, coordinated and effective response to safeguard the health, safety, welfare, environment and property.
 - Prioritizes immediate needs and mitigating hazards.
- Result of a collaborative efforts among the city, county, towns, and private partners.
- Fulfills NC State requirements for each political jurisdiction to prepare and keep current plans to respond to disasters or large-scale emergencies.



Activation of the EOP



- Activated when a disaster has occurred or is imminent.
- May be implemented by either the Charlotte Fire Chief, the Director of Emergency Management, a designee, or a City/County/Town Manager.
- Simultaneously implemented upon activation of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC).
- Implemented when it becomes necessary to mobilize the identified resources to save lives, protect property, environment, and the economy.



Next Steps

- Adopt resolution at next business meeting to direct and coordinate the development of an emergency management plan and program in accordance with the policies and standards set by the Division of Emergency Management.