## Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools Grant



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#### **Overview**

- Grant Source
- Purpose of Grant
- Potential Hazards
- Improving Our Response Capabilities
- Grant Requirements
- Where We Are Now and Moving Forward

### Source



## **U.S. Department of Education**

The REMS grant program provides funds for local education agencies (LEAs or school districts):

- To improve and strengthen their emergency management plans
- Enables school districts to develop improved plans that address all four phases of emergency management
- To support the implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- School districts also must commit to developing written plans that are coordinated with state homeland security plans



# Federal and Local Agency SWAT Operation Schools Impacted: Portola Middle School, Sycamore and West Orange Elementary Schools



Wildfire
Panorama Elementary School

## **Types of Hazards in Orange County**

#### **Natural**

- Wind
- Fire
- Flood
- Landslide
- Extreme Heat
- Animals
- Earthquake

#### <u>Human</u>

- Accident
- Operator Error
- System Error
- Criminal Activity
- Terrorist Attacks
- Targeted Acts of Violence



**District Emergency Operations Center (EOC)** 

## **Grant Requirements**

- 1. Coordination with community partners
- 2. Training for students and staff on emergency procedures
- 3. Coordination with state and local homeland security plans
- 4. Emergency planning for individuals with disabilities
- 5. Development of an infectious disease plan

## Grant Requirements continued

- 6. Development of a written food defense plan
- 7. Implementation of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the Incident Command System (ICS)
- 8. Establish an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and select and train staff

## **Preparation**

#### **Mike Pollok**

- FEMA training: ten courses, 30+ hours
- REMS training: 11 courses, 21 hours
- Threat Assessment and Management, 40 hours
- California Specialized
   Training Institute (CSTI)
   Disaster Management,
   40 hours

#### **Sheldon Glass**

- FEMA training: five courses, 15+ hours
- REMS training: 11 courses, 21 hours
- Threat Assessment and Management, 40 hours
- CSTI Disaster
   Management, 40 hours

## **Preparation**

#### Mike Pollok

- Public Information
   Officer, 16 hours
- FEMA Threat and risk Assessment, 16 hours
- Web EOC, 3 hours

More than 177 hours, 27 certificates of completion

#### **Sheldon Glass**

More than 116 hours, 18 certificates of completion

1. The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is operational, staff identified and trained.

#### As of February 3, 2012:

- Six training sessions held
- 55 Key personnel trained

2. FEMA training in the National Incident Management System and the Incident Command System

As of May 9, 2012:

- Four training opportunities
- Five additional opportunities this May
- 19 Key Personnel have participated
- 66 course completions

- 3. All school and district office radios have been serviced and are operational
- 4. A 36 to 40 hour train the trainer course is being customized for our district
- 5. Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment tools are being customized for our schools

- 6. Hazard Identification, Vulnerability and Risk Assessments (HIV&RA) will be completed at each site
- 7. Ready references to emergency procedures in each classroom and school office
- 8. Best practice videos
- 9. Tabletop exercises and drills
- 10.Emergency supplies for schools

# 6. Hazard Identification, Vulnerability and Risk Assessment (HIV&RA)

- The Comprehensive Safe School Plan
- Strategic Goal 3 Safe and Welcoming Schools
- HIV&RA includes school culture and climate and is used to identify:
  - 1. Where are we and where do we want to be?
  - 2. What prevention, intervention, mitigation and support strategies are best suited to what we want to achieve?

## Conclusion

