

VOLUNTEER
MANAGEMENT
PROGRAM

The Comprehensive Volunteer Management Program (CVMP) started in 2007 due to the number of requests from communities regarding overall support for EMA volunteer programs. The CVMP offers support to communities in developing and maintaining local EMA/ESDA volunteers.



IESMA - working toward a comprehensive plan for the benefit of every jurisdiction within the State of Illinois.



CURRENT VMST PROGRAMS:

- ◆ Adams County
- ◆ Will County
- ◆ Palatine, Cook County
- ◆ Lake Zurich, Lake County
- ◆ Macon County
- ◆ Champaign County
- ◆ Hoffman Estates, Cook County

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Volunteer
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Support Team

Planning for spontaneous
volunteers in every
community.



Volunteer Management Support Team

In 2006, the Illinois Emergency Services Management Association began the task of providing administrative oversight for the state asset Volunteer Management Support Team (VMST).

The VMST is a volunteer team comprised of local emergency management staff who play a role in the local community regarding management of volunteers or management of spontaneous volunteers.

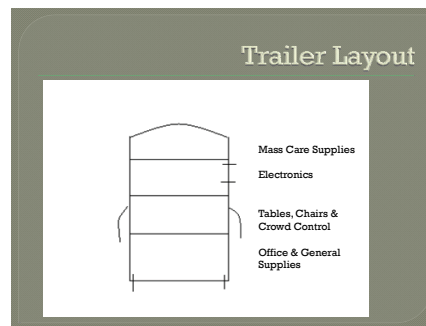
Team member requirements are posted on the IESMA website and applications are accepted at all times throughout the year.



Team members at FLUEX in May 2006.

RESOURCES AVAILABLE

The State of Illinois, through the Illinois Terrorism Task Force has shown an ongoing commitment to the VMST Program by funding the purchase of equipment that the team will utilize on a deployment. Supplies are stored in cargo trailers which are located in different areas in the state and can be deployed as soon as the request is approved by the State EOC.



With this equipment, the team is nearly self-sufficient requiring only food and some other small personal care items from the impacted community and the logistics function. Equipment on hand includes:

- ◆ Laptop Computers
- ◆ Wireless Printers
- ◆ Tables and chairs
- ◆ Crowd control devices
- ◆ Office supplies
- ◆ Some mass care items
- ◆ Photo ID making resources among other items necessary to operations.



TEAM ACTIVITIES

Each year, the state team holds an annual team meeting which stresses team building and familiarity with equipment and resources. All team members are required to attend this meeting which is held on the first Saturday of December. Additionally, there is a short meeting held in conjunction with the IESMA Annual Conference in April and multiple team and regional conference calls are held throughout the year.

Team members are actively involved in local training as well as basic and continuing education training related to emergency management.

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