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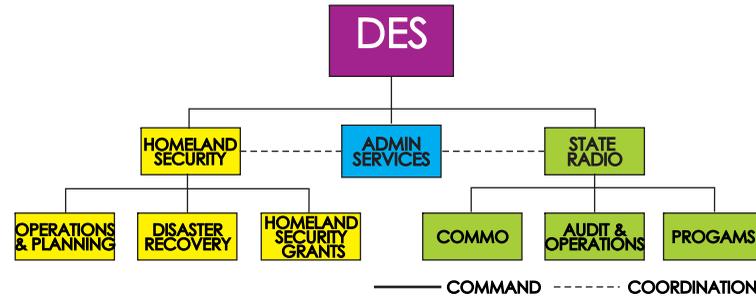
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## OUR ORGANIZATION



## WHAT WE DO

- We manage the State Operations Center on a 24/7 basis to ensure a statewide coordinated response to emergencies or disasters.
- We operate the State Radio Communications Center on a 24/7 basis which provides services to all first responders, emergency operations, and citizens in North Dakota.
- We coordinate with local, tribal, state, and federal agencies to produce and distribute public safety information.
- We implement the North Dakota's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Programs by:
  - 1) Administering Homeland Security and Disaster Recovery grant programs;
  - 2) Coordinating training and exercise programs for emergency operations personnel;
  - 3) Conducting planning to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural or technological events for the safety and security of citizens in North Dakota.



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# NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES



## STRATEGIC PLAN 2008-2013

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 Director, Division of Homeland Security

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## ■ ■ ■ OUR VISION

**Ensuring a safe and secure homeland for all North Dakotans.**

## ■ ■ ■ OUR MISSION

**Department of Emergency Services (DES) conducts planning, coordination, communications, and operations for the safety and security of all citizens in North Dakota.**

## ■ ■ ■ OUR VALUES

***INTEGRITY* - Our words match our actions, we will strive to do what is right.**

***RESPECT* - We will treat others as we want to be treated.**

***HONESTY* - We will truthfully communicate our thoughts and feelings.**

***EXCELLENCE* - We will perform professionally to the best of our ability.**

## ■ ■ ■ OUR STRATEGIC GOALS

**Goal 1. Improve readiness, response, and recovery.**

**Objective 1-1.** Conduct a statewide strategic emergency management foresight initiative process by 2015.

**Objective 1-2.** Conduct and institutionalize a threats, hazards identification risk assessment process by 2015.

**Objective 1-3.** Develop and Implement processes that brings response and recovery partners into a risk driven planning process by 2015.

**Objective 1-4.** Develop and publish appropriate educational material to educate the public about actions required when emergencies occur by 2015

**Objective 1-5.** Develop and publish appropriate educational material to improve personal and family preparedness by 2015.

**Objective 1-6.** Implement a realtime time disaster damage assessment and estimating system by 2014.

**Objective 1-7.** Develop incentives and programs for consolidating and regionalizing emergency management by 2014.

**Goal 2. Grow the department's capabilities.**

**Objective 2-1.** Advance the staff's professional and technical skills by providing education, training, and exercise opportunities.

**Objective 2-2.** Develop and implement an action plan to meet the increasing demands on the Departments communication center by 2014.

**Objective 2-3.** Secure and implement technologies that ready the department to adapt to Next Generation 911 by 2015.

**Objective 2-4.** Implement Next Generation - 911 services in the State Communications Center by 2016.

**Objective 2-5.** Close major radio emergency communications transmitting gaps by year end 2016.

**Objective 2-6.** Continue to develop emergency equipment and supply caches that enhance the state's ability to support major emergencies and disasters. (Ongoing based on funding and gap assessments.)

**Goal 3. Enhance relationships with the department's stakeholder and customer groups with the primary focus on collaboration and partnership building.**

**Objective 3-1.** Engage the department's private for profit stakeholder groups to build stronger emergency response programs by 2014.

**Objective 3-2.** Develop partnerships to leverage and combine investments in communications, mapping, computer aided dispatch, and training programs developed to improve public and responder safety through 2015.

**Objective 3-3.** Implement a whole community approach to emergency management in North Dakota by 2016 through engagement of all aspects of the community (volunteer, faith and community-based organizations, the private sector, and the public) to effectively prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate against disasters.