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COUNTY-WIDE AGREEMENT
FOR
FRANKLIN COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into by and between the Franklin County Board of Commissioners and the Chief Executives of all or a majority of the political subdivisions within Franklin County to provide for the establishment of and to provide for the funding for a county-wide Emergency Management Agency.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, there now exists in Franklin County a Civil Defense/Disaster Services/Emergency Management organization which operates pursuant to Chapter 5915 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 1988, the Governor of the State of Ohio signed Amended House Bill No. 131 into law; and

WHEREAS, the law changes the name of Civil Defense/Disaster Services to Emergency Management and also makes other changes to the Civil Defense law, Section 5915.06 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the coordination of emergency management activities within Franklin County, including measures and actions designated or undertaken to minimize the effects upon the population caused or which could be caused by natural, technological or man-made incidents, emergencies, disasters, or enemy attack, is of paramount importance to all of the local governments of the county; and

WHEREAS, the signatories desire to enter into this agreement, in the manner provided by Section 5915.06 of the Ohio Revised Code, with the Franklin County Board of Commissioners and the Chief Executives of the other political subdivisions within Franklin County; and

WHEREAS, the Franklin County Emergency Management Agency, being hereby established, shall perform the service of coordinating the emergency management activities of Franklin County and the political

subdivisions which enter into this agreement, in accordance with the provisions hereinafter set forth;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises of and by the mutual advantages to each of the parties hereto, and by the promises each of the other made, it is hereby agreed that:

The Franklin County Emergency Management Agency is hereby authorized to coordinate emergency management activities within Franklin County:

1. As provided in Section 5915.06 of the Revised Code of Ohio, a representative shall be selected by the Chief Executive of each political subdivision entering into the agreement as its representative to a county-wide advisory group for the purpose of appointing an Executive Committee through which the Franklin County Emergency Management Agency shall implement emergency management in Franklin County in accordance with this agreement, and for the purpose of advising the Executive Committee on matters pertaining to county-wide emergency management.

2. The Executive Committee shall consist of the following fourteen members:

- (3) Three County Commissioners, or alternates representing each of the County Commissioners;
- (1) The Chief Executive, or an alternate, representing the largest municipality;
- (5) Five Chief Executives, or an alternate for each, representing the municipal corporations and townships entering into this agreement, to be appointed by the Advisory Committee;
- (5) Five non-elected representatives, who shall be appointed as follows:

(3) three representing the largest municipality,
appointed as it shall see fit,

(1) one at-large appointed by the Advisory Committee,

(1) one at-large appointed by the Executive Committee.

3. The Emergency Management Executive Committee shall appoint a Director/Coordinator for Emergency Management. The Director shall be responsible for coordinating, organizing, administering, and operating the Franklin County Emergency Management Agency pursuant to the duties imposed upon him/her by Chapter 5915 of the Revised Code of Ohio and by the Executive Committee, and shall serve at the pleasure of the Executive Committee.

4. The Director shall prepare a budget and expend funds, with the recommendation and approval of the Emergency Management Executive Committee and under such resolutions, rules and regulations as it may provide regarding said budget. The funds provided in said budget, together with all other funds received, shall be known as "Franklin County Emergency Management Fund." All expenditures from such fund shall be approved by the Director under rules established by the Emergency Management Executive Committee. All funds and property acquired by the Emergency Management Executive Committee, all funds and property acquired by the Emergency Management Director from the participating political subdivisions, in pursuance of this agreement and all like agreements, shall remain the property of the Emergency Management Agency until such time as this coordinating agreement shall be terminated and, upon such complete termination and after sale of any property and the payment of all obligations, all remaining funds in the said Franklin County Emergency Management Fund shall be returned to the said political subdivisions in proportion to their history of financial support. If,

however, there are insufficient funds in said Emergency Management Fund to pay the obligations of the defunct agency, including the cost of any audit required under Chapter 117 of the Ohio Revised Code, the participating political subdivisions may be asked to share in the payment of such obligations in the same proportions as are provided in Item 5 herein.

5. The allocated share of the expenses of coordinating the emergency management activities within Franklin County shall be appropriated and paid into the Franklin County Emergency Management Fund by the participating political subdivisions and shall be apportioned on the same basis made applicable to all participating political subdivisions, which shall be fifty per cent (50%) on the basis of population and fifty per cent (50%) on the basis of the real property, tangible personal property, and public utility tax duplicate of each political subdivision entering into the agreement. The Executive Committee may additionally establish a minimum participation fee with proper notice.

6. The Emergency Management Director and/or his/her representatives shall be subject to and act under the authority of the Chief Executive or Administrative official of each of the political subdivisions within whose boundaries such services are required.

The signatories of this agreement agree to render mutual aid to the Emergency Management Director of the County and to each participating political subdivision through the interchange of personnel, equipment and supplies.


7. The Director, upon resolution of the Emergency Management Executive Committee, shall have power and authority on behalf of the Franklin County Emergency Management Agency to enter into any such contract or contracts as may be required to administer and operate emergency management activities in Franklin County.

8. Each signatory party agrees to pay into the Franklin County Emergency Management Fund promptly upon invoice the amount assessed against it for its allocated share of the budget needed for the operation and expenses of the Emergency Management Agency, for services performed as hereinbefore stated, and to perform all and singular the obligations herein assumed.

9. This agreement shall take effect when not less than a majority of the municipal corporations and political subdivisions of Franklin County, including the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, have executed this agreement. A party to this agreement may terminate its participation in this agreement upon, not less than ninety (90) days, written notice to the Emergency Management Executive Committee, and only upon total payment of its financial obligations to the agency. This agreement shall continue in full force and effect unless a majority of the municipal corporations and political subdivisions in Franklin County, or the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, cease to be parties to this agreement. Upon the occurrence of any above-mentioned conditions and after the payment of obligations set forth in Section 5, this agreement shall terminate.

The signatories enter into this agreement upon the basis of mutual covenants for a continuing term conditioned upon the annual authorization, reaffirmation, approval and payment of the proportionate share.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the members of the Board of County Commissioners have hereunto set their hands this 30 day of August, 1988.







BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

MICHAEL MILLER, Prosecuting Attorney
Franklin County, Ohio



William B. Shimp
First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney
Civil Divisions

In Witness Whereof, each Chief Executive has hereunto set his/her hand pursuant to the authority of the ordinance or resolution numbered and passed on the date shown beside his/her signature.

Political Subdivision	Signature of Chief Executive	Date	Ordinance/Resolution Number
City of Bexley	_____	_____	_____
Village of Brice	_____	_____	_____
Village of Canal Winchester	_____	_____	_____
City of Columbus	_____	_____	_____
City of Dublin	_____	_____	_____
City of Gahanna	_____	_____	_____
City of Grandview Heights	_____	_____	_____
City of Grove City	_____	_____	_____
Village of Groveport	_____	_____	_____
Village of Harrisburg	_____	_____	_____
City of Hilliard	_____	_____	_____
Village of Lockbourne	_____	_____	_____

Political
Subdivision

Signature of
Chief Executive

Date

Ordinance/Resolu-
tion Number

Village of
Marble Cliff

Village of
Minerva Park

Village of
New Albany

Village of
Obetz

City of
Reynoldsburg

Village of
Riverlea

City of
Upper Arlington

Village of
Urbancrest

Village of
Valleyview

City of
Westerville

City of
Whitehall

City of
Worthington

Blendon Township

Brown Township

Clinton Township

Franklin Township

Hamilton Township

Jackson Township

Political Subdivision	Signature of Chief Executive	Date	Ordinance/Resolu- tion Number
Jefferson Township	_____	_____	_____
Madison Township	_____	_____	_____
Mifflin Township	_____	_____	_____
Norwich Township	_____	_____	_____
Perry Township	_____	_____	_____
Plain Township	_____	_____	_____
Pleasant Township	_____	_____	_____
Prairie Township	_____	_____	_____
Sharon Township	_____	_____	_____
Truro Township	_____	_____	_____
Washington Township	_____	_____	_____



City of Columbus Legislation Report

Office of City Clerk
90 West Broad Street
Columbus OH 43215-9015
columbuscitycouncil.org

File Number: 0565-2023

Emergency

File ID: 0565-2023

Type: Ordinance

Status: Council Office for
Signature

Version: 1

***Committee:** Public Safety Committee

File Name: Safety Administration-Contract with the County for the City's Proportionate Share of the Management of The Emergency Management Agency and Homeland Security including the countywide mass notification system.

File Created: 02/13/2023

Final Action:

Auditor Cert #: ACPO008779

Auditor: When assigned an Auditor Certificate Number 1, the City Auditor, hereby certify that there is in the treasury, or anticipate to come into the treasury, and not appropriated for any other purpose, the amount of money specified hereon, to pay the within Ordinance.

Contact Name/No.: Ekow Dennis 614 645 4238

Floor Action (Clerk's Office Only)

Mayor's Action

Council Action

Mayor

Date

Date Passed/ Adopted

President of Council

Veto

Date

City Clerk

Title: To authorize and direct the Director of the Department of Public Safety to pay the City's proportionate share of operational and administrative support activities of the Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security program including the mass notification system; to authorize the expenditure of \$884,505.99 from the General Fund; and to declare an emergency. (\$884,505.99)

Sponsors:

Attachments: Expenditure Template - Emergency Management Agency
2023.xlsx, 20230213154541.pdf

History of Legislative File

Ver.	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:
1	Columbus City Council	03/06/2023	Approved				Pass

ODI: Following the review and approval, when required, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion certifies compliance with Title 39 as of date listed.

City Attorney: Following review and approval, when required, this ordinance has been reviewed by the City Attorney's Office as to its form and legality only.

Explanation

BACKGROUND: This legislation authorizes the Director of Public Safety to pay the City of Columbus' proportionate share for the operation and administration of the Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security program (FCEMHS), including the countywide mass notification system. The FCEMHS is responsible for managing the outdoor warning siren system within Franklin County not only by coordinating siren locations but also by providing for their maintenance, relocation, and activation. The Agency's operational activities also include planning for disaster recovery, public education, and exercises.

The FCEMHS is also serving as the lead agency for the implementation and maintenance of a mass warning and notification system designed to meet the needs of forty-two jurisdictions and emergency partners in Franklin County. A mass notification system can reach residents in the form of phone messages, text messages, and email. Other considerations include preferred languages and mechanisms to reach the hearing and vision impaired, and those with other special needs within the community. The city's participation with FCEMHS is in accordance with State law. All activities of the agency are supported by local government funds and some federal grants.

Emergency Designation: Emergency designation will ensure timely payments to FCEMHS for operational purposes and avoid disruption in services.

FISCAL IMPACT: This ordinance authorizes an expenditure of \$884,505.99 from the 2023 General Fund operating budget for the administration of the Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security program, including expenses for the administration of the countywide mass notification system. The majority of this year's funds, \$794,505.99, represents operational and administrative support activities including the mass notification system, and \$90,000.00 represents maintenance costs for the outdoor warning sirens. The city spent \$834,336.99 on the FCEMHS Program in 2022, \$811,436.77 in 2021, \$811,474.04 in 2020 and \$793,267.05 in 2019.

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Body

WHEREAS, the FCEMHS is responsible for managing the outdoor warning siren system within Franklin

County not only by coordinating siren locations, but also by providing for their maintenance, relocation, and activation; and

WHEREAS, at this time each year, the FCEMHS provides local communities with the amount of their proportionate share of the operational and administrative support activities of the agency; and

WHEREAS, the expenditures associated with this ordinance and the City's participation with FCEMHS is in accordance with State law; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Department of Public Safety in that it is immediately necessary to pay the City's proportionate share for operational and administrative support activities of the Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security program to ensure timely payments and avoid disruption in services, all for the preservation of the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **NOW, THEREFORE**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

SECTION 1. That the Director of Public Safety be and is hereby authorized and directed to pay Franklin County Emergency Management and Homeland Security for the City of Columbus' proportionate share of the administration of the agency and outdoor warning siren system maintenance costs.

SECTION 2. That the expenditure of \$884,505.99, or so much thereof as may be necessary for said purpose, is hereby authorized from the General Fund 1000-100010 in object Class 03, Contractual Services per the codes in the spreadsheet attached to this ordinance.

SECTION 3. That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

SECTION 4. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.

