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Shooting Incident Resources

The early August [warehouse shooting](#) in Connecticut, as well as [others](#) in the past few years, suggest that such shooting events are becoming more common in the United States. These incidents are usually dynamic situations that evolve rapidly and demand immediate action by emergency responders to terminate the threat and render medical attention to wounded persons.

Considering the frequency of these crimes, the [Emergency Management and Response—Information Sharing and Analysis Center](#) (EMR-ISAC) researched available resources having preparedness benefit for Emergency Services Sector (ESS) departments and agencies. For example, according to their [web site](#), the Firefighters Support Foundation provides a [program](#) (“Preparation and Response for Mass Shooting Events”) detailing the measures that fire and EMS agencies can take to prepare themselves for this all-too-likely event, and the actions they can initiate when the incident occurs.

With the assistance of August Vernon, Forsyth County (NC) Office of Emergency Management, the EMR-ISAC identified four additional sources that may have some application to the plans and operations of ESS organizations: [Risk Management and Police Training](#), [EMS Response to Mass Violence, Active Shooter—How to Respond](#) (PDF, 527 KB), [Shooting Incident Threat Aid](#) (PDF, 590 KB), and the Mass Shooting/Active Shooter First Responder Awareness Card found in the listing of [awareness cards](#).

Free HazMat Training Opportunities

The [Emergency Management and Response—Information Sharing and Analysis Center](#) (EMR-ISAC) was recently contacted by the [Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response](#) (TRANSCAER), which is a voluntary national outreach effort that focuses on assisting communities to prepare for and respond to possible hazardous material (HazMat) transportation incidents. TRANSCAER members consist of representatives from the chemical manufacturing, transportation, distributor, and emergency response industries, as well as the government.

A TRANSCAER executive informed the EMR-ISAC that “the newly designed and highly informative [TRANSCAER Today](#) (PDF, 6.7 MB) newsletter is now available.” Within this free circular, Emergency Services Sector personnel can learn how TRANSCAER team members from across the nation are working to help municipalities with preparedness plans and actions for potential HazMat transportation events.

TRANSCAER’s mission is to promote safe transportation and handling of HazMat, educate and assist communities near major transportation routes about HazMat, and aid community emergency response planning for HazMat transportation incidents. Any questions about their services can be directed to Donna Lepik at dlepik@transcaer.com or 703-741-5503.

DHS Private Sector Resources Catalog

The [Emergency Management and Response—Information Sharing and Analysis Center](#) (EMR-ISAC) received and reviewed the first edition of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) [Private Sector Resources Guide](#) (PDF, 852 KB). The document was prepared to facilitate private sector access to the many resources needed to help with infrastructure protection, resilience, and national security. Its contents are intended to assist the development and maintenance of critical homeland security capabilities at all layers of American society.

According to the DHS Assistant Secretary for the Private Sector, this 52-page catalog “collects the training, publications, guidance, alerts, newsletters, programs, and services available to the private sector across the department. It is organized by component and resource type and a comprehensive index is available to facilitate locating resources. Additionally, contact information across the department is available in Appendix A.”

“Recognizing the diversity of the available resources as well as the continually evolving work of DHS, this catalog will be updated regularly to publicize new resources and to increase private sector awareness.”

Regardless of the size, status, or location of Emergency Service Sector (ESS) departments and agencies, the EMR-ISAC understands that many of the resources contained in this document may have value to ESS organizations.

National Domestic Preparedness Coalition

The [National Domestic Preparedness Coalition](#) (NDPC) “provides solutions that help protect our nation’s communities from all hazards including terrorism and natural disasters by delivering the highest quality training and programs,” which were developed through partnerships with Emergency Services Sector personnel who know best how to address their homeland security needs. “The NDPC was created by emergency responders for emergency responders and strives to enhance communication and teamwork among all first responder disciplines.” The Coalition further endeavors to provide a collective voice for members to articulate their vital perspectives regarding infrastructure protection and resilience at all levels.

The [Emergency Management and Response—Information Sharing and Analysis Center](#) (EMR-ISAC) learned that the NDPC has recently modified its membership structure. Emergency responders from both the public and private sector can now join at no cost (i.e., no membership fee). Interested ESS personnel can complete an application at the NDPC registration [web site](#).

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The National Infrastructure Coordinating Center (NICC) within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Office of Infrastructure Protection is the central point for notifications regarding infrastructure threats, disruptions, intrusions, and suspicious activities. Emergency Services Sector personnel are requested to report any incidents or attacks involving their infrastructures using at least the first and second points of contact seen below:

- 1) NICC - Voice: 202-282-9201, Fax: 703-487-3570, E-Mail: nicc@dhs.gov
- 2) Your local FBI office - Web: www.fbi.gov/contact/fo/fo.htm
- 3) EMR-ISAC - Voice: 301-447-1325, E-Mail: emr-isac@dhs.gov, fax: 301-447- 1034,
Web: www.usfa.dhs.gov/emr-isac, Mail: E-108, 16825 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg, MD 21727