

## VIEW RESPONSE

### Questionnaire Details

**Name** NPM Report Back Form

**Response From** Neil Cox - Indy Christian Media on Sep 27th 2013 10:26 am

### What was the name of your event?

You must provide an answer to this question.

#ReadyCity2013

### To which group do you primarily belong?

Please select one option. You must provide an answer to this question.

- Access/Functional/Disability Needs Organizations
- Businesses/Private Sector Companies or Associations
- CERT Groups
- Childcare and Pre-School
- Citizen Corps Council
- Colleges/Universities
- Communication Groups
- Faith-based Organizations  [ Selected ]
- Federal Government
- Fire/Emergency Responders
- HOA/ Neighborhood Groups
- Individuals/Families
- K-12 Schools
- Local Government
- Medical Facilities/Health
- Medical Reserve Corps

Military	<input type="checkbox"/>
Museums, Libraries, Parks, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/>
News Media	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-profit Organizations	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pets/Livestock/Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preparedness Organizations	<input type="checkbox"/>
Red Cross Chapter	<input type="checkbox"/>
Retirement Communities and Organizations providing services to Senior Citizens and the Elderly	<input type="checkbox"/>
Science/Engineering Organizations	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scouting Groups	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service/Membership Organizations	<input type="checkbox"/>
State Government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tribal Group	<input type="checkbox"/>
VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster)	<input type="checkbox"/>

## How many preparedness events have you coordinated?

Please select one option. You must provide an answer to this question.

- This was the first preparedness event I've coordinated
- Between two and five preparedness events  **[ Selected ]**
- Between five and ten preparedness events
- More than ten preparedness events

## Tell us what type of event you coordinated.

Please select one option. You must provide an answer to this question.

A drill

Assembling kits

Creating plans

Understanding risks

Training session

An awareness campaign

Other (please explain below)  **[ Selected ]**

If your event was different from the above selection, please explain

6-hr workshop and 2-hr functional exercise/drill.

## How many people participated in your event?

You must provide an answer to this question.

45

## Please give us a brief description of your event and its impacts.

You must provide an answer to this question.

We did a 6-hr Workshop-training for area pastors/leaders = stepping through our ReadyIndy(.org) protocols for immediate response phase in slo-mo, teaching along the way. Point was to demonstrate a capability of going from chaos to order. Then we did a 2-hr functional exercise to simulate it in real-time, measuring our results per objective. This is our second annual exercise, measuring the same objectives, so we can mark progress in citywide communication among the Christian community... and quality measure of readiness.

(Nuances & Injects: Because of the death of a local IMPD officer in the line of duty, we deferred our first hour of the scheduled exercise to collaborate re a prayer-vigil for the family and the community of police officers. Thus our actual exercise time available was only 1 actual hour. Further, our simulation included a 50% outage of infrastructure, including available phone-lines & towers. Thus we restricted ourselves to only texting and social-media communications... and only measured alerts that were received and confirmed. Imagine the obstacle that creates: What churches publish a textable emergency number? None. Also, for the first time we included 5 @ReadyVOST participants (Virtual Ops Support Team).

**Objective#1** = demonstrate an area EOC, focused on citywide communication among Christian community & secular affiliates. Reached/confirmed 22 churches via texting/social-media only. Total people reached/confirmed via texting/socialmedia (incl the 22) = 160. Total 'capabilities' among those people = 219. (symbolically measured as number of readiness training certificates possessed)

**Objective#2** = simulate a church P.O.D. setup. Result: 13 people participated in this segment of the objective.

## Please share any lessons you learned.

There's great value in being able to objectively measure progress, both with a Quantity metric (160 people) and with a Quality metric (219 capabilities)... especially as we can readily see the great progress over last year, despite exercise time cut in half, and voice-phone restriction.

One unintended consequence was our timely presence at the prayer vigil for the fallen officer & family... and being "ready" for prayer, care and share. As a result, 16 neighbors responded with a greater commitment to the Christian walk, modeled for us by our Savior "coming into our emergency and sacrificially giving His life on our behalf, and then asking us to do likewise: Love the Lord and love your neighbor as yourself." What mayor or sheriff wouldn't want that in their community?

Please upload any event photos, flyers, or other media you wish to share.

By submitting your photos you confirm that you are at least 18 years of age and understand that images may be posted on the FEMA publically accessible media library site.

You can upload up to 10 files.

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

- Coordinating a preparedness event was a good experience [ **Strongly Agree** ]
- The resources page is helpful [ **Agree** ]
- The preparedness discussions are helpful [ **Agree** ]
- The events calendar is helpful [ **Agree** ]
- The regional discussions are helpful [ **Agree** ]
- The weekly newsletter is helpful [ **Strongly Agree** ]
- I will be coordinating a preparedness event in 2014 [ **Strongly Agree** ]

Please enter any additional comments or feedback

Wish we would have taken greater advantage of your community here online. As we grow our team, we'll hope to spread our existing workload further, and thus have more time here.