



City of Hamilton's Emergency Management Program



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Agenda

- Overview of EM
- Federal & Provincial EM
- Hamilton's EM program
 - Non-response
 - Response

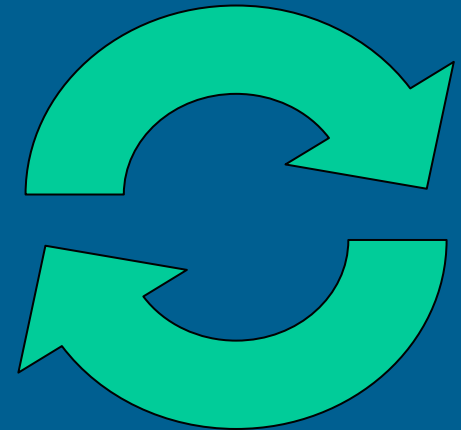


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Emergency Management

- This process is a cyclical, ongoing, continuous program
- The plan is not an 'end' but a piece to the process
- Components include
 - Risk Assessment
 - Plan development
 - Response
 - Exercising
 - Review and modify



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Pillars of Emergency Management

- Prevention
- Mitigation
- Preparedness
- Response
- Recovery



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Public Safety Canada

- Federal Government
- National response systems & policy
- *Emergencies Act*
 - Public welfare, Public order, International, War
- *Emergency Management Act*
 - Ministry responsibilities, Provincial responsibilities



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Emergency Management Ontario



- 'promoting, developing & maintaining emergency programs throughout the Province'
- *Emergency Management & Civil Protection Act, 2004*
- Provincial Emergency Response Plan
- Provincial Nuclear Emergency Response Plan



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City of Hamilton

- Hamilton is legally mandated to develop, enhance and maintain an emergency management program
- Legislated through the Emergency Management & Civil Protection Act
- Supported and guided by top level municipal leaders, planners and community partners
- Run by EMC or CEMC



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Hamilton EM Program

- Maintain City's emergency plan
- Develop new response plans/procedures
- Maintain two Emergency Operation Centers
- Training for EOC responders



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Hamilton EM Program

- Public awareness & education
- Emergency exercises
- Respond to emergencies



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In the community:

- Liaise and work with community partner agencies to promote disaster resilience and coordinate emergency response planning
 - Community Awareness Emergency Response (CAER)
 - Emergency Preparedness Advisory Committee (EPAC)



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Looking ahead...

- Enhanced evacuation planning
- Recovery planning
- Critical Infrastructure Assurance
- Emergency fuel
- Business Continuity/pandemic
- New public education program



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Risks & Emergency Response



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Risks in Hamilton

- Chemical spills – fixed site
- Chemical spills – en route
- Water (health) emergencies
- Health emergencies
- Terrorism
- Civil disorder
- Violent wind event



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Risks in Hamilton

- Explosion/fire
- Transportation accidents
- Special events

Future risks & emerging risks?



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Emergency Response

- Response in Ontario & Canada starts at the ground level
- No automatic call for the cavalry
- That is known, that is what we prepare for



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Levels of Involvement

Emergency Management

Federal Response

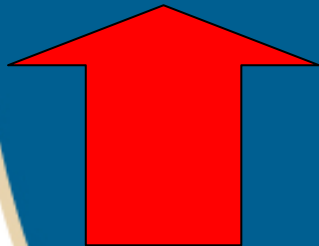
Provincial Emergency Response

Mutual Aid / Assistance

Municipal Emergency Response

1st Response / Unified Command

Ground Level



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Hamilton's Emergency Response



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Hamilton Response Structure

- Emergency Operations Centre (EOC)
- Emergency Control Group (ECG)
- Emergency Support Group (ESG)
- EOC Operations Staff
- Departmental Response



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ECG Composition

- Mayor
- City Manager
- Department Heads
- Chiefs of Police
- Medical Officer of Health
- Human Resources
- Communications
- CEMC
- Horizon Utilities



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ECG Responsibilities

- Overall strategic response to the emergency
- Procurement of resources for response
- Emergency communications/emergency information
- Emergency Social Services
- Ensure provision of essential municipal services
- 'everything outside the site'



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Emergency Communications

- Site and EOC
- Intra and inter-departmental
- Mutual aid
- Other levels of government & municipalities
- Council
- Employees
- Media
- Public
- Victims, relatives
- Community Partners



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ESG Composition

- All departmental divisions
- Amateur Radio
- Telecommunications
- CAER (industry)
- Ad-hoc agencies
- Departmental EOCs (offsite)
 - Public Health, Community Services, Horizon Utilities



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ESG Responsibilities

- Gather information from the site and send to ECG, as required
- Carry out actions of the ECG, as required
- Act as a resource for the ECG
- Disseminate information to the site



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EOC Operations Staff

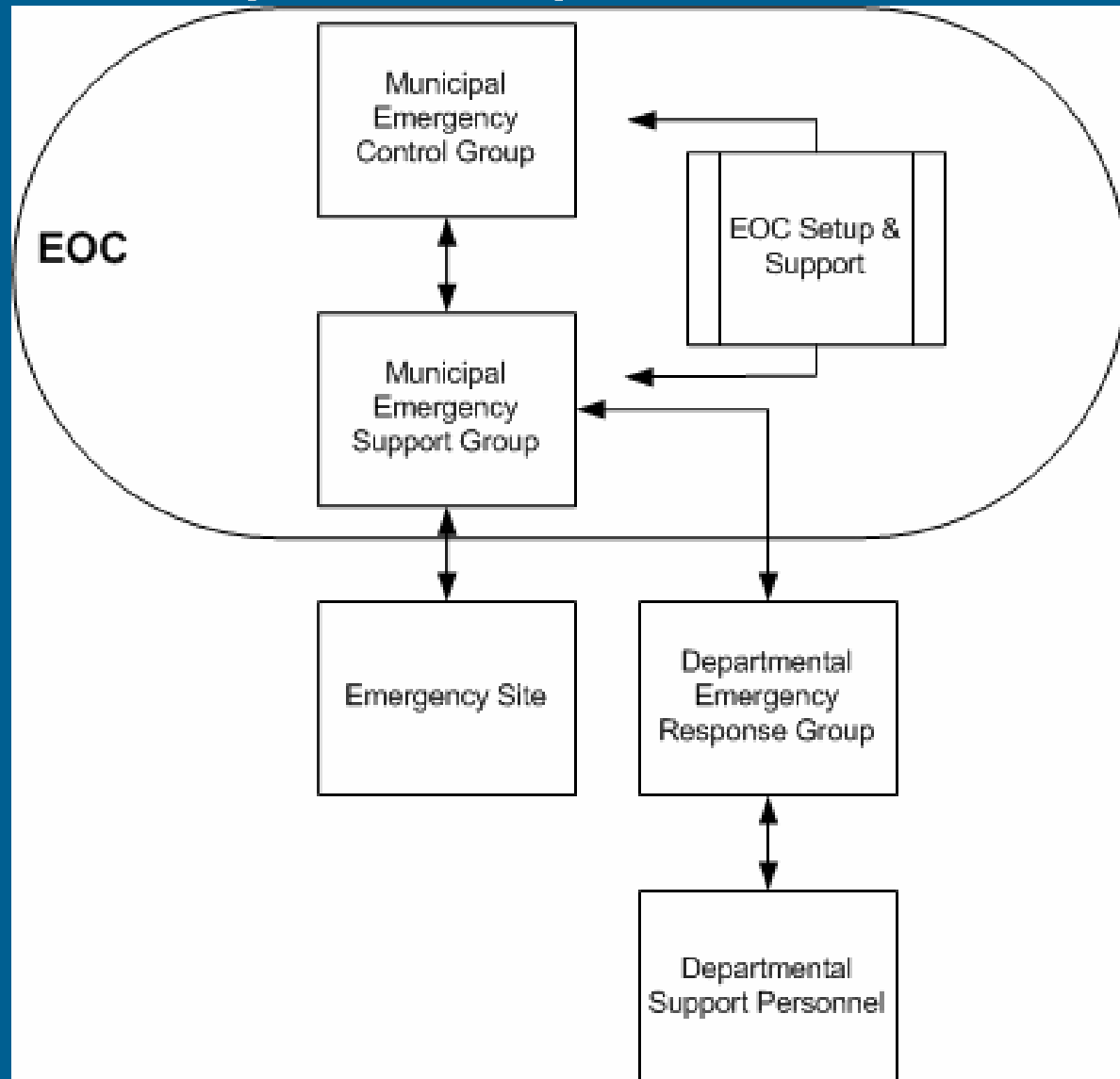
- Ensure the EOC is running
 - Information Technology
 - GIS
 - Clerks
 - CEMC
 - Facilities
 - Security



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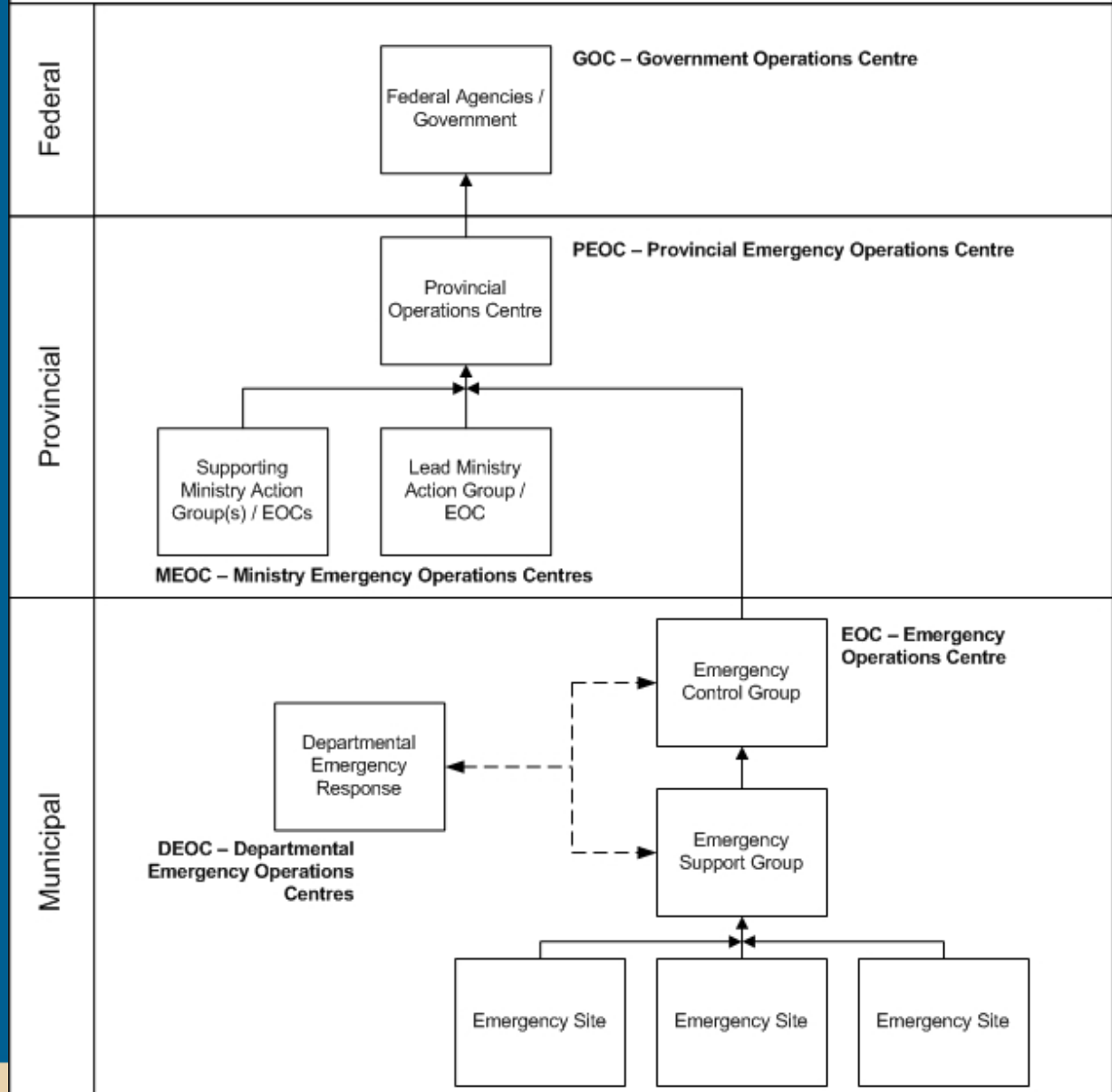
Municipal Response Structure



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Organized Response to Emergencies



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