

Fact Sheet Emergency Communications Service



GENERAL OVERVIEW

Emergency Communications Service (ECS) is one of four volunteer groups under the Fire Corps Program administered by the San Bernardino County Fire, Office of Emergency Services. The ECS Chief Radio Officer will administer the operational responsibilities for ECS assignments providing communications, technical and logistical support throughout the County.

ECS volunteers are FCC Licensed Operators, and are expected to properly train, exercise and conduct tasks that will support Fire, Sheriff and the Operational Area on a day-to-day basis and during small or large incidents/events. This allows first responders to focus on operations and training while at the same time increasing the department's capacity and services. ECS volunteers also support all County Departments.

TASKS/ACTIVITIES

- Emergency Communications and EOC Support
- Satellite communications
- Voice/data systems
- Command Post support
- Interoperability Comms
- Comm system design
- Equipment deployment
- Communications training
- License classes

- Comm Program Development
- Public Outreach
- Technical Support
- Logistical Support
- Transport Assignments

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Must be 18 years of age or older
Must possess a CA Class C Driver's License
Completion of OES Volunteer Application
Registered as a State of CA Disaster Service Worker (DSW)
Successful completion of a Department of Justice/
Federal Bureau of Investigation (DOJ/FBI) Background Check



Required Training Courses:
ICS 100, IS-700, IS-800 and SEMS Introduction
OR
Introduction to Incident Management
PLUS
AHA CPR/First Aid, IS-802, IS-804 & IS-808



Optional Training:
County Fire Driver Training,
Hazmat First Responder Awareness,





