

<b>Concept of Operations</b>	<b>Emergency Support Function (ESF) # 16 Law Enforcement</b>
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Lead Agency	Franklin County Sheriff’s Office (FCSO)
Support Agencies	Apalachicola Police Department (APD)
	Carrabelle Police Department (CPD)
	Franklin County Emergency Management Department (FCEMD)

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**1.0 – Introduction**

**1.1 – Purpose**

The purpose of this ESF is to coordinate the efforts of local law enforcement agencies to ensure safety and security through the disaster effected area.

**1.2 – Scope**

This function applies to all disaster situations requiring the involvement of local law enforcement agencies.

Responsibilities may include but are not limited to shelter security, crowd control, traffic control, life and property protection and citizen assistance.



## **1.3 – Assumptions**

In a major disaster, the capabilities of the APD and CPD will be exhausted and require assistance from the FCSO.

In a major disaster, the resources of the FCSO may become overwhelmed and require assistance the SEOC<sup>1</sup>.

## **2.0 – Concept of Operations**

### **2.1 – General**

During a disaster, the primary goal is to protect life and property while maintaining peace and order, as well as to ensure a rapid, safe and complete evacuation, safeguard exposed property and expedite the recovery of the community after the danger has passed.

### **2.2 – Organization**

This ESF is part of the Operations Section of the county's EOC<sup>2</sup>. The county's EOC utilizes the ICS<sup>3</sup> structure during all activations.

### **2.3 – Primary Activities**

#### **2.3.1 – Coordinate Local Law Enforcement Operations**

Coordinate all law enforcement activities on the local level during all phases of a disaster to protect the lives and property of county residents and visitors. This includes coordinating the allocation of missions / assignments between the APD, CPD and FCSO.

#### **2.3.2 – Coordinate 9-1-1 Emergency Communications**

Operate the county's PSAP<sup>4</sup> / 9-1-1 center and serve as the dispatching agency for the APD, CPD, EMS, FCSO and VFDs.

#### **2.3.3 – Coordinate Traffic Control**

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<sup>1</sup> State Emergency Operations Center

<sup>2</sup> Emergency Operations Center

<sup>3</sup> Incident Command System

<sup>4</sup> Public Safety Access Point



Coordinate traffic control for local and regional evacuations.

#### **2.3.4 – Support Post Disaster Re-Entry Process**

Provide support for controlling re-entry into areas affected by a disaster.

#### **2.3.5 – Mass Care Operations Security**

Coordinate security at shelters, fixed feeding and distribution locations as requested FCEMD.

### **3.0 – Responsibilities – Lead and Support Agencies**

#### **3.1 – Lead Agency**

**Franklin County Sheriff's Office** – Serves as the primary law enforcement agency for the county and coordinates with outside law enforcement agencies if deployed to the county.

#### **3.2 – Support Agencies**

**Apalachicola Police Department** – Responsible for assisting in all aspects of law enforcement and security operations within their jurisdiction.

**Carrabelle Police Department** – Responsible for assisting in all aspects of law enforcement and security operations within their jurisdiction.

**Franklin County Emergency Management Department** – Provides assistance in obtaining and sharing overall disaster situational awareness with local law enforcement agencies.

