

## Working with First Responders: How/Where Cultural Institutions Fit in the Big Picture

- I. National level: National Response Plan/ NIMS
  - A. Homeland Security/FEMA
    - Stafford Act of 1990s
    - Federal mandates
  - B. American Red Cross
    - Food service for workers
    - Basic First Aid
    - AED and CPR training
  - C. National Membership Organizations
    - AIC, AAM, SAA, NPS, AASLH
    - Response to Hurricane Katrina
    - Immediate funding possibilities
- II. Regional Level: Membership Organizations
  - A. LYRASIS: disaster assistance
  - B. SEMC: Regional response Plan
  - C. SERCA: AIC training in the southeast/response teams
- III. State Level: Governors' Office
  - A. Access/funding in the event of emergency
  - B. State Associations: NCMC plan
- III County Level: Municipal Services
  - A. Police Department
    - Security survey: ingress and egress
    - Recommendations for staff and patron safety
    - Interior and exterior evaluation
    - Disgruntled patrons/staff; employee theft
  - B. Fire Department
    - Pre-plan your building for a response
    - Fire safety review of structures (closing procedures, etc.)
    - Review your fire response plan
    - Fire training for the staff
    - Bomb threats/ingress and egress routes
  - C. Emergency Management
    - Assessment of local threats/Alerting source
    - Educational resource for community-wide response
    - CERT training