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