

Blue Earth County

Emergency Response Procedures Plan for Blue Earth County, Minnesota

This plan provides a framework for responding to emergencies within Blue Earth County, Minnesota, including key contacts, local authorities, evacuation procedures, first aid and medical assistance, and how to report an incident.

1. Emergency Contacts

Key Emergency Numbers:

- Emergency Services (Fire, Medical, Police): 911
 - Highmark Companies:
 - HR Manager: (763) 270-7623
 - Risk & Compliance Manager: (763) 270-7619
 - Nurse Hotline: (844) 412-7951
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 - Blue Earth County Sheriff's Office (Non-Emergency): (507) 304-4800
 - Poison Control: 1-800-222-1222
 - Blue Earth County Public Health: (507) 304-4319
 - American Red Cross (Southern Minnesota Chapter): (507) 387-6664
 - National Weather Service (Weather Alerts): 1-800-889-6889
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2. Local Authorities

- Blue Earth County Sheriff's Office
 - Phone: (507) 304-4800
 - Address: 401 Carver Rd, Mankato, MN 56001
 - Services: Law enforcement, search and rescue, emergency response coordination.
 - Mankato Department of Public Safety (Fire and Police)
 - Phone: (507) 387-8700 (Non-emergency)
 - Address: 710 S Front St, Mankato, MN 56001
 - Services: Fire suppression, police services, emergency response.
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3. Evacuation Procedures

Evacuation Routes and Shelters:

- Designated Evacuation Routes: U.S. Highway 14, U.S. Highway 169, and MN-22.
- Evacuation Shelters:
 - Mankato East High School - 2600 Hoffman Rd, Mankato, MN 56001
 - Mankato West High School - 1351 S Riverfront Dr, Mankato, MN 56001
 - Blue Earth County Library (as temporary shelter) - 100 E Main St, Mankato, MN 56001

Evacuation Procedure:

1. Stay Informed: Monitor local authorities and news.
 2. Follow Instructions: Comply with evacuation orders.
 3. Prepare to Leave: Secure property and leave promptly.
 4. Assistance: Contact Blue Earth County Emergency Management at (507) 304-4800.
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4. First Aid and Medical Assistance and Mental Health Crisis Support

First Aid Procedures:

- Basic First Aid Kit: Keep a well-stocked first aid kit at home, work, and in your vehicle. Include supplies like bandages, antiseptics, gloves, scissors, burn cream, pain relievers, etc.

Local Medical Assistance:

- Mayo Clinic Health System – Mankato
 - Phone: (507) 625-4031
 - Address: 1025 Marsh St, Mankato, MN 56001
 - Services: Emergency care, general medical services, specialty care.

In Case of Injury or Medical Emergency:

1. Call 911 for immediate medical emergencies.
2. Provide First Aid if you are trained, including CPR, wound care, or stabilizing injuries until medical help arrives.
3. Transport to Hospital: If safe to do so, transport injured individuals to the nearest medical facility. Otherwise, wait for emergency responders.

Mental Health Crisis Services:

- Blue Earth County Mental Health Center: (507) 304-4319
- Crisis Response for Southeast Minnesota: 1-844-274-7472 (24/7)
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: Dial 988
- Crisis Text Line: Text HOME to 741741

5. How to Report an Incident

General Reporting Procedures:

1. Immediate Emergency Situations: Dial 911 for life-threatening emergencies, such as fire, medical emergencies, criminal activity, or accidents.
 - Provide clear details including your location, nature of the emergency, and any potential hazards.
2. Report Non-Emergency Incidents:
 - Notify your Project Manager or Supervisor at the office first. They will provide directions on any further reporting measures. As best as you are able stick to the facts with what you relay to them.
 - If Health or Safety related Notify Amy Robertson (HR) or if you are unable to reach them your Compliance Coordinator.
3. Non-Emergency Contacts:
 - Blue Earth County Sheriff's Office: (507) 304-4800
 - Mankato Police Department (Non-Emergency): (507) 387-8700
4. Health and Environmental Hazards:

- Blue Earth County Public Health: (507) 304-4319
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources: (651) 296-6157

5. Utility Emergencies:

- Xcel Energy (Electric/Gas): 1-800-895-1999
- Mankato Public Utilities (Water/Sewer): (507) 387-8600