

REPORT OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

We continued to collaborate with local schools, colleges and other institutions in developing safety plans to better respond to critical incidents.

The fire and police departments participated in two training exercises with Fairview Hospital and the Southern Berkshire Volunteer Ambulance Squad.

With a \$2,500 grant from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency we purchased protective shields for each cruiser trunk for officers responding to high risk incidents.

All applicable new town employees were trained in the Incident Command System 100 and the National Incident Management System 700 classes.

We participate in monthly meetings with the Southern Berkshire Regional Emergency Planning Committee to coordinate critical incident response with ten other towns.

Respectfully submitted,

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