

ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Thursday, July 12, 2018
9:30 a.m.

Supervisor Richard Valle, Chair,
Supervisor Scott Haggerty

Location: Board of Supervisors' Chambers – Room 512 – 5th Fl
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Summary/Action Minutes

I. Urban Shield – Planned Activities for 2018

[Attachment](#)

Captain Pace Stokes, Alameda County Sheriff's Office, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Urban Shield Planned Activities for 2018.

Planning Meetings

There were five (5) planning meetings conducted, which reinforced the Urban Shield principles and guidelines, with implementation of U/S Task Force recommendations. Planners were reminded that all scenarios must be based on real events. The 2017 After Action Report was used to improve 2018 planning efforts. Implicit bias training was held, in addition to introducing the new motto: Real Time Training for Real World Events.

The Sheriff's Office will be assembling a compliance team to: 1) evaluate Urban Shield Task Force recommendation implementation and 2) evaluate Board approved Urban Shield Principles and Guidelines.

Urban Shield 2018 Planning – September 6th – 10th, 2018

Scenario Summary

- 1 Community Preparedness Fair
- 4 Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Scenarios
- 5 EOD Scenarios
- 12 Emergency Management Scenario
- 16 Fire Scenarios (US&R/HAZMAT/Maritime)
- 30 Tactical Law Enforcement Scenarios
- 2 Physical Challenges
- 4 Medical Checkpoints
- 3 EMS Integrated Scenarios

Community Preparedness training includes:

- Stop the Bleed training
- Run, Hide, Fight training
- Earthquake simulator trailer
- Smoke Trailer
- Exhibitors such as PG&E, Environmental Health, Public Works, American Red Cross, Salvation Army, CA Earthquake Authority

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

- Located at Military Ocean Terminal, Concord
- Hosted by Napa Valley College CERT
- 10 counties involved
- 120+ CERT participants
- 4 exercise scenarios
 - Search and rescue
 - Disaster medical triage
 - Donations management
 - Confidence course

Emergency Ordnance Proposal

- Located at ACSO Regional Training Center
- Hosted by ACSO Bomb Squad
- 5 exercise scenarios

Emergency Management

- Located within all 12 Bay Area UASI counties
- Hosted by Bay Area UASI
- Earthquake Scenario
- 16 EOC activations
- 7 shelter sites stood up
- In Alameda County:
 - 5 EOC activations
 - 4 shelter locations

Fire Scenarios

- Located in Vallejo and San Francisco Bay
- Hosted by Vallejo Fire Department
- 17 total scenarios:
 - 4 Urban Search and Rescue
 - 6 Maritime Rescue
 - 6 HAZMAT
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Law Enforcement Scenarios

- Located throughout the San Francisco Bay Area
- Hosted by ACSO, San Francisco Police, San Mateo County Sheriff, Contra Costa County Sheriff
- 14 LE agencies hosting sites
- 30 tactical scenarios
- 2 physical challenges
- 4 medical checkpoints
- 3 integrated EMS sites

Captain Stokes answered questions submitted by District 2 regarding Urban Shield:

- Q. How will community observers, including those critical of Urban Shield, be accommodated during 2018 Urban Shield exercise?
- A. Scenarios are not open to the public, primarily for safety reason. Observation is open to those in similar fields; media is also invited. All slots are filled for 2018 Urban Shield community observers.
- Q. Will Urban Shield Ad Hoc Committee members be accommodated to observe?
- A. Yes, the Sheriff's Office has not yet received names for the ad hoc committee, however they will be accommodated.
- Q. What nations have representations in this year's Urban Shield?
- A. Participating countries include Hong Kong and the Netherlands.

Q. What review was done on countries' human rights record?

A. Captain Stokes was not involved in the process of the participating countries and does not know the process taken.

Q. What is the status of Strategic Operations' participation in this year's Urban Shield?

A. Strategic Operations is one of the bidders however the contract has not been awarded.

Q. What is ExecuShield's role in this year's Urban Shield?

A. ExecuShield is not participating this year in Urban Shield.

Q. What steps have been taken to implement training and exercise on non-terrorism scenarios? Can justifiably support terrorism preparedness, including prevention and recovery, including being in alignment with FEMA's whole community approach to emergency management?

A. Approximately half of the scenarios are non-terrorism scenarios, for example, accidents, earthquakes and

Q. Provide more information on the Community Preparedness Fair; who is the host;

A. Urban Shield is still looking for a venue; close to public transportation. Many concerns being considered; exercise and class room space. Open to suggestions to locations.

Erin Armstrong, District 4, Supervisor Miley's Office asked Captain Stokes to describe the biggest change to Urban Shield this year; also what is the outreach strategy for the Community Preparedness Fair?

Captain Stokes responded that the expansion of the emergency management component is the biggest change in Urban Shield which was a previous planned expansion. Once a venue is located there is a media plan for outreach, approximately 800 observers attended previous fairs.

Speakers

Corless Smith stated that she was concerned about militarization of Urban Shield. Has the arms expo been eliminated from Urban Shield? Two people died in the jail and no names have been released and the public would like information on those deaths.

Captain Stokes stated that the vendor show will be held on September 7th; Captain Stokes has no information on the jail deaths.

Tracy Rosenberg asked will there be participation by the Department of Homeland Security or Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). She asked how she could obtain the After Event Report of 2017, is it a public document. Is there a report available of the Urban Shield Principles for 208? Why is the Strategic Operations contract different this year from last year? Urban Shield should consider accommodating a small quantity of community observers.

Captain Stokes stated that there will not be participation by the Department of Homeland Security or Immigration and Customs Enforcement; Captain Stokes does not have any information on the Strategic Operations Contract but will report back to the Committee; Urban Shield will accommodate observers from the Urban Shield ad hoc committee. After Action Report is available through public records request. District 2 will request a copy of the report.

John Lindsay-Poland asked the Captain to speak to the recommendation by the Urban Shield Task Force to include how each of the twelve guidelines were implemented; definitions for some terms that are in the guidelines, i.e. racist stereotyping, crowd control, surveillance; also when will a written report be available as recommended by the task force? Are there approximately 50 - to 60 Sheriff's Office personnel working on Urban Shield full time?

Captain Stokes will report back on the progress of the report from the Incident Commander. The Sheriff's Office has not defined the terms yet, however there are no scenarios involving racial stereotypes and crowd control. There are two staff members that work full time on Urban Shield.

Sara Kershner, Legislative Aid for Councilmember Cheryl Davila, City of Berkeley asked how many scenarios involve protests activist, crowd control. What kind of vendor products will be in the scenarios? How many trainings involve de-escalation? Are there any trauma informed trainings in response to disasters? How are racial stereotypes being dealt with? The City of Berkeley strongly supports community observers.

Captain Stokes stated that there are no scenarios involving protests, and Urban Shield would not use vendor products that would not enhance experience. This is an opportunity to test new products in a controlled environment. There are some sites designed for de-escalation training.

Tano Trachtenberg, Office of Mayor Jesse Arreguin, City of Berkeley stated that he was concerned about the design of specific scenarios. Last year there was a scenario regarding a bombing and Hezbollah terrorists in the San Antonio area of Oakland.

Captain Stokes stated that this year's Urban Shield will deal with real world scenarios, something that the region could likely face. There are no vendor hosted sites this year.

Purpose:

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education**
- Request Public Protection Committee Recommendation or Position
- Other:

Recommendation from Public Protection Committee: Supervisor Valle requested a final list of participating agencies and other countries, including anyone outside of Alameda County.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.