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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE

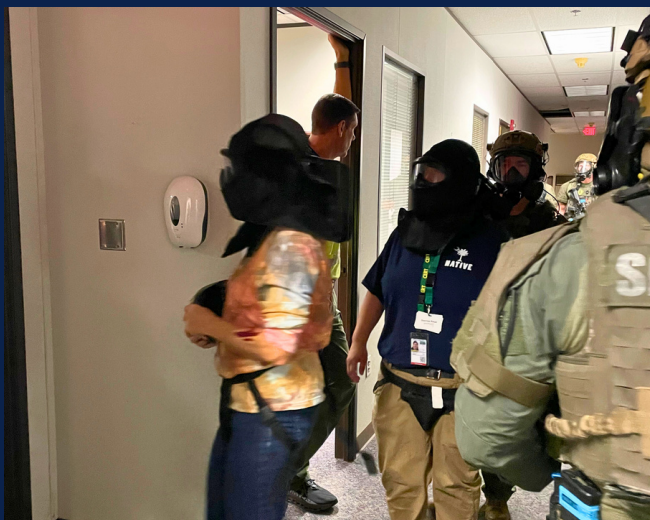
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On September 13, 2023, an emergency preparedness exercise for hazardous materials was conducted by Greenville County at the former County Square building before its demolition. This exercise was funded by the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant, provided by the US Department of Transportation, which was approved by Greenville County Council.

During the exercise scenario, a caller reported a disturbance in an office down the hall, possibly involving an armed assailant. As the situation developed, it became clear that the Greenville County Sheriff's Office would need additional support from the county due to hazardous materials.

The Greenville County Sheriff's Office SWAT team was able to rescue any victims located inside the building during the initial sweep. Once the victims were brought outside, they were triaged and treated by Greenville County Emergency Medical Services.

Inside the building, a member of the SWAT Team from the Greenville County Sheriff's Office was instructed to pretend to be unconscious after encountering dangerous materials. To locate the deputy and the hazardous materials, the Greenville County Sheriff's Office Drone Team used drones to search the area.



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Once the Greenville County Sheriff's Office Drone Team located the chemicals, the HAZMAT team was able to enter the building to sample, test, and identify the chemicals. After the HAZMAT team identified the chemicals, Emergency Medical Services were able to treat the victims for chemical inhalation.

For this exercise to be successful, the Greenville County Sheriff's Office SWAT and Drone Team, Emergency Medical Services, Special Operations, Community Emergency Response Team, and Greenville City Fire Department were all involved.



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GET READY GREENVILLE COUNTY

A Preparedness Event!

September is National Preparedness Month and on September 3rd Emergency Management hosted its annual Get Ready Greenville County event. This year Emergency Management teamed up with the Greenville Drive and held the event on Field Street before their last home game of the season. The event showcased various agencies such as Emergency Management, Emergency Response Team, Animal Care, Sheriff's Office K9 Unit, Community Emergency Response Team, Emergency Medical Services, Red Cross, Amateur Radio Emergency Service, DHEC, State Farm, Greenville City Police, and Greenville City Fire Department. Get Ready Greenville County began in 2018. The goal of this annual event is to raise awareness and educate the community on emergency preparedness.



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HIGH DIRECTIONAL TRAINING

On September 14, 2023, the Greenville County Emergency Response Team and SC Task Force 6 trained on high-directional anchors using the Arizona Vortex and the TerrAdaptor.

The Arizona Vortex can be used in a variety of situations including mountain and confined space rescue as well as rope and work access. The TerrAdaptor is the most versatile portable anchor system available for use in rescue, industrial and wilderness environments.



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EVENTS

GREENVILLE
FIRE
DEPARTMENT

OCT
13-15

FALL FOR GREENVILLE

GREENVILLE, SC

THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS
CENTER WILL BE USED AS THE
COMMAND POST DURING FALL
FOR GREENVILLE.

OCT
14

10 AM -2 PM

PIEDMONT PARK FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

2119 STATE PARK RD,
GREENVILLE SC 29609

BRING THE FAMILY FOR A FUN
DAY TO LEARN ABOUT FIRE
SAFETY EDUCATION.

OCT
21

11 AM -4 PM

SLATER-MARIETTA FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE FESTIVAL

3001 GEER HWY, MARIETTA,
SC 29661

BRING THE FAMILY FOR A FUN
DAY TO SEE CRAFTERS, FIRE
TRUCKS, SPRINKLER
DEMONSTRATIONS, AND LIVE
MUSIC.

OCT
27

4:30 PM -7 PM

SOUTH GREENVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE

8305 AUGUSTA RD, PELZER,
SC 29969

BRING THE FAMILY FOR A FUN
NIGHT TO LEARN ABOUT FIRE
SAFETY.



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UPCOMING UPSTATE TRAINING SPOTLIGHT

Sign up to get the
training newsletter!



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Course Name: Basic Severe SkyWarn Training offered by the National Weather Service

When: October 8, 2023, October 23, 2023, and October 29, 2023 at various times.

Time: Refer to the link for the training times and registration.

Location: The trainings are offered virtually.

[Register Here](#)

Course Name: ICS 300 Introduction to ICS

When: October 10 – 12, 2023

Time: 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Location: City of Greenville Public Works Conference Facility
475 Fairforest Way, Greenville SC 29607

[Register Here](#)

Course Name: Advanced ICS - ICS 400

When: November 14 – 15, 2023

Time: 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

Location: City of Greenville Public Works Conference Facility
475 Fairforest Way, Greenville SC 29607

[Register Here](#)

Need to register for a training?

Greenville County Emergency Management Training: [Training & Exercises Calendar](#)
South Carolina Emergency Management Division Training: [Training Registration System](#).



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