

## Emergency Management

- Hired a City Emergency Management Coordinator.<sup>1</sup>
- Developed a Local Hazard Mitigation Strategy.<sup>2</sup>
- Created Metropolitan Medical Response System and Metropolitan Medical Strike Team to deal with mass casualty events.<sup>3</sup>
- Established a Readiness Team in response to the events of September 11, 2001.<sup>4</sup>

### Emergency Management Notes:

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- <sup>1</sup> Emergency Management Coordinator works with the public, business groups and communities to facilitate disaster recovery planning and response.
- <sup>2</sup> Worked with the Planning & Management Department to develop a Local Hazard Mitigation Strategy, a countywide plan to minimize the impact of disaster to the City.
- <sup>3</sup> Received grant from Department of Defense of \$400,000 for training and equipping first responders. Received \$100,000 from Department of Justice. Received \$600,000 from Department of Health and Human Services for providing medical response to mass casualty events. The Metropolitan Medical Strike Team responds to City of Tampa, Hillsborough County, and regional and surrounding counties within the Tampa Bay Area.
- <sup>4</sup> The Readiness Team ensures the needs and welfare of the City and its citizens are being addressed. Meetings were held to reduce public concern and assure public confidence in government. Established memorandum of agreement and mutual aid agreements with MacDill Air Force Base. These agreements provide mutual support in event of a disaster. They have improved coordination and cooperation for response operations through emergency response planning and exercises.