OBJECTIVE OF THE SYSTEM

To provide all Ohio jurisdictions with a method to quickly summon additional resources to handle major emergencies when local mutual aid capabilities have been exhausted.



RESOURCES

•	ENGINES	888
•	LADDERS	310
•	WATER TENDERS	466
•	RESCUES	291
•	BRUSH	465
٠	ALS UNITS	490
•	BLS UNITS	157
٠	AIR SUPPLY	127
•	CHIEFS	603
٠	CREWS	474

• SPECIALIZED TEAMS:

- o Haz Mat
- $\circ \quad Water\,S\,\&\,R$
- \circ Collapse S & R
- o Trench Rescue
- o Confined Space

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THE HISTORY OF THE OHIO FIRE SERVICE ERS

The Ohio Fire Chiefs' Association Emergency Response System partners with state agencies to meet our life saving objective. It is a partnership with the State Fire Marshal's Office, a division of The Ohio Department of Commerce as well as Ohio Emergency Management Agency, Ohio Emergency Medical Services and Ohio Homeland Security Divisions of The Ohio Department of Public Safety.

The 1990 Shadyside disaster in which 26 people lost their lives was the driving force behind the development of the ERS. The OFCA created a committee to develop the plan and on August 1, 2002 the ERS became operational.

The ERS has been activated multiple times within the state of Ohio since its inception and although it was primarily designed for in-state response, the plan has successfully provided resources for out-of-state emergencies as well. Some of the more notable deployments have been to Southern States for Hurricane Katrina in 2005, Hurricane Harvey in 2017 and Hurricane Florence in 2018.

As a testimony to the hard work and leadership provided by the OFCA and its partners, the ERS has proven to be so successful that several other states have adopted the blueprint of our system.

TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE 888.822.4900

You will be asked the following:

- Name of affected jurisdiction and the name of the Fire Department responsible for providing service to that community
- 2. Name of the calling agency; name and rank of the caller; call back phone and fax numbers
- 3. Incident Commander
- 4. Type of emergency
- 5. Type and number of needed apparatus (i.e. 20 engines, 30 medics and 4 structural collapse teams)
- 6. Location of Staging Area (use major highways that can be located on highway road maps)
- 7. Type of response needed:
 "SCRAMBLE" (enroute within 30 minutes and be able to be on site for up to 24 hours) or
 "STANDARD" (enroute within 3 hours and be able to be on site for up to 72 hours)



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