

Emergency Management

Mission: Build, sustain, and improve Sedgwick County’s capabilities in disaster preparation, mitigation, response, and recovery through whole community collaboration, innovative planning, training, and exercise activities.

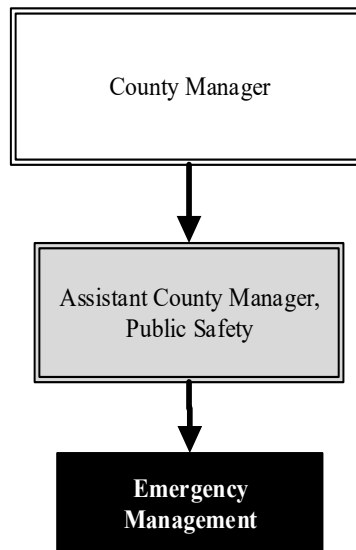
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Overview

Emergency Management (EM) is an essential managerial role of government and specified by Kansas Statutes. The Sedgwick County Emergency Management Department works closely with community leaders and citizens to reduce hazard vulnerability and to coordinate activities that build, sustain, and improve capabilities to mitigate against, prepare for, respond to, and recover from threatened or actual natural disasters, acts of terrorism, or other man-made disasters.



Strategic Goals:

- Serve as Sedgwick County’s leading expert in contemporary emergency management strategies and practices
- Inspire whole-community, all-hazard disaster preparedness and resilience through active volunteer programs, community outreach, and education efforts
- Ensure optimal disaster prevention, preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery through active stakeholder participation in emergency plan development, training, and exercising, as well as multi-agency coordination of response and recovery efforts

Highlights

- On April 29, 2022, the Emergency Operations Center was fully activated in response to a tornado that touched down in southeast Sedgwick County and moved through the City of Andover. EM continues to support recovery needs, and expects full recovery after 18 months
- The Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP) is a comprehensive “playbook” on how Sedgwick County operates and responds to disasters. A five-year review is required by the Kansas Department of Emergency Management, which evaluated and approved the plan using the Kansas Planning Standards



Accomplishments and Strategic Results

Accomplishments

In November, Julie Stimson attended the International Association of Emergency Management (IAEM) Conference in Savannah, Georgia. While there, she was awarded the Certified Emergency Manager (CEM) designation. It is an internationally recognized program that certifies achievements within emergency management using professional standards.

Deputy Director Jonathan Marr was awarded the 2022 Sedgwick County Excellence in Public Service award by the Devore Foundation and the 2022 Kansas Emergency Management Association Colonel Mahlon G. Weed New Emergency Management Professional of the Year.

Operations Manager Cody Charvat was awarded the 2022 Kansas Emergency Management Association Instructor of the Year Award.

Strategic Results

EM volunteer teams provide invaluable services to the surrounding communities. The Sedgwick County K9 Search Team (SCK9) has a goal to meet 95.0 percent of requests for service. In 2022, requests for service were met at 100.0 percent with over 2,000 hours logged for both training and deployments.

A second strategic goal is to create at least two public outreach events and promote emergency preparedness through multiple platforms. EM met this goal by conducting several outreach activities and trainings in 2022 that included media interviews, social media postings, and in-person classes and demonstrations. The Local Emergency Planning Committee also coordinated several classes totaling nearly 5,000 hours of continuing education for first responders.

The Sedgwick County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services team (R.A.C.E.S.) volunteers logged over 1,200 volunteer hours in 2022. Through the 20 members of the R.A.C.E.S. Team, Sedgwick County EM maintains a backup radio communication system consisting of four repeaters and many radio operators. R.A.C.E.S. members are also trained storm spotters and are key to reporting field observations to aid early warnings.

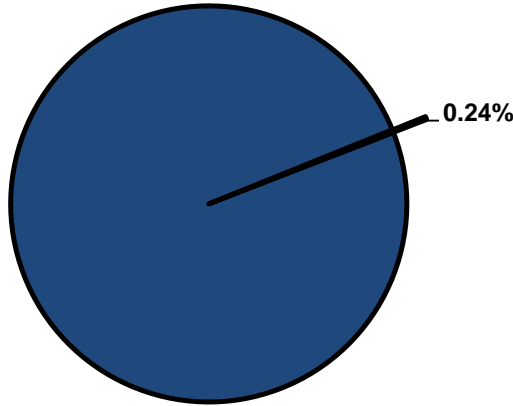


Significant Budget Adjustments

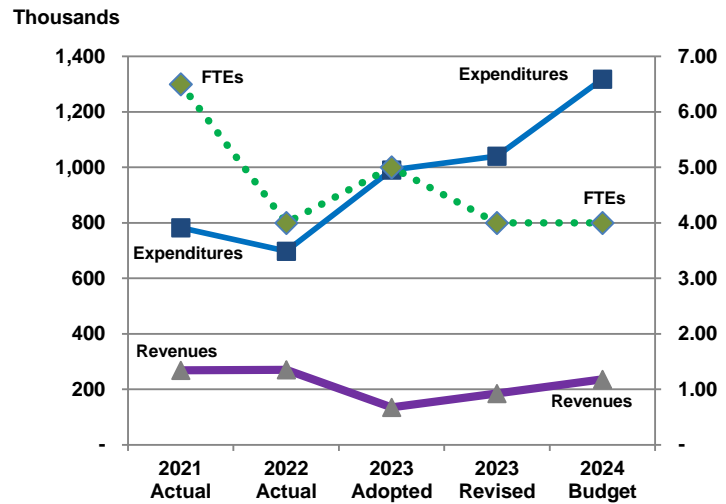
Significant adjustments to Emergency Management's 2024 budget include an increase in capital improvements (\$656,833) due to a 2024 capital improvement project (CIP) to replace outdoor warning devices, a decrease in interfund transfers (\$328,417) due to a 2023 CIP project to replace outdoor warning devices, an increase in intergovernmental revenue (\$51,012) to bring in-line with actuals, and a decrease in equipment (\$19,098) due to a one-time purchase of an all-terrain vehicle in 2023.

Departmental Graphical Summary

Emergency Management
Percent of Total County Operating Budget



Expenditures, Program Revenue & FTEs
All Operating Funds



Budget Summary by Category

	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Adopted	2023 Revised	2024 Budget	Amount Chg '23 Rev.-'24	% Chg '23 Rev.-'24
Expenditures							
Personnel	408,195	347,074	447,088	447,088	431,538	(15,550)	-3.48%
Contractual Services	188,814	182,751	154,514	179,514	179,868	354	0.20%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Commodities	43,640	34,731	60,146	66,048	50,000	(16,048)	-24.30%
Capital Improvements	-	-	328,417	-	656,833	656,833	
Capital Equipment	-	-	-	19,098	-	(19,098)	-100.00%
Interfund Transfers	142,251	133,750	-	328,417	-	(328,417)	-100.00%
Total Expenditures	782,900	698,306	990,165	1,040,165	1,318,239	278,074	26.73%
Revenues							
Tax Revenues	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Licenses and Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	268,499	226,316	134,910	184,910	235,921	51,012	27.6%
Charges for Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other Revenue	310	44,155	323	323	93	(229)	-71.14%
Total Revenues	268,809	270,471	135,232	185,232	236,014	50,782	27.42%
Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)							
Property Tax Funded	3.00	3.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	-	0.00%
Non-Property Tax Funded	3.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	0.00%
Total FTEs	6.50	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	-	0.00%

Budget Summary by Fund

Fund	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Adopted	2023 Revised	2024 Budget	Amount Chg '23 Rev.-'24	% Chg '23 Rev.-'24
General Fund	543,253	579,710	886,954	886,954	1,184,334	297,380	33.53%
Emergency Mgmt. Grants	239,647	118,596	103,211	153,211	133,905	(19,306)	-12.60%
Total Expenditures	782,900	698,306	990,165	1,040,165	1,318,239	278,074	26.73%

Significant Budget Adjustments from Prior Year Revised Budget

	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Revenues</u>	<u>FTEs</u>
Increase in capital improvements due to 2024 CIP project to replace outdoor warning devices	656,833		
Decrease in interfund transfers due to 2023 CIP project to replace outdoor warning devices	(328,417)		
Increase in intergovernmental revenue to bring in-line with actuals		51,012	
Decrease in equipment due to a one-time purchase of an all-terrain vehicle in 2023	(19,098)		
Total	309,318	51,012	-

Budget Summary by Program

Program	Fund	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Adopted	2023 Revised	2024 Budget	% Chg '23 Rev.-'24	2024 FTEs
Emergency Management	110	543,253	579,710	886,954	886,954	1,184,334	33.53%	3.00
Em. Management Grants	257	239,647	118,596	103,211	153,211	133,905	-12.60%	1.00
Total		782,900	698,306	990,165	1,040,165	1,318,239	26.73%	4.00

Personnel Summary By Fund

Position Titles	Fund	Grade	Budgeted Compensation Comparison			FTE Comparison		
			2023 Adopted	2023 Revised	2024 Budget	2023 Adopted	2023 Revised	2024 Budget
Emergency Management Director	110	GRADE70	-	-	100,303	-	-	1.00
Deputy Emergency Management Director	110	GRADE65	-	-	68,717	-	-	1.00
Senior Administrative Officer	110	GRADE59	-	-	67,790	-	-	1.00
Emergency Management Director	110	GRADE138	88,400	100,303	-	1.00	1.00	-
Deputy Emergency Management Director	110	GRADE130	50,653	55,799	-	1.00	1.00	-
Senior Administrative Officer	110	GRADE127	61,574	67,790	-	1.00	1.00	-
ARPA Management Analyst I	110	GRADE126	41,669	-	-	1.00	-	-
Emergency Management Planner	257	GRADE60	-	-	50,822	-	-	1.00
Emergency Management Planner	257	GRADE127	42,910	45,905	-	1.00	1.00	-
Subtotal					287,631			
Add:								
Budgeted Personnel Savings					-			
Compensation Adjustments					11,359			
Overtime/On Call/Holiday Pay					-			
Benefits					132,548			
Total Personnel Budget					431,538	5.00	4.00	4.00

• Emergency Management

Emergency Management Administration provides general management and support to the Emergency Management Department. Major programs operated under this fund center include the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the Outdoor Warning Device (Siren) program. The volunteer programs, which include the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES), Community Emergency Response Team, and the County Canine Search and Rescue Team, are also funded in this program.

Fund(s): County General Fund 110

Expenditures	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Adopted	2023 Revised	2024 Budget	Amnt. Chg. '23 - '24	% Chg. '23 - '24
Personnel	261,484	286,317	383,877	383,877	347,633	(36,244)	-9.4%
Contractual Services	107,832	124,912	114,514	114,514	134,868	20,354	17.8%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Commodities	31,686	34,731	60,146	41,048	45,000	3,952	9.6%
Capital Improvements	-	-	328,417	-	656,833	656,833	0.0%
Capital Equipment	-	-	-	19,098	-	(19,098)	-100.0%
Interfund Transfers	142,251	133,750	-	328,417	-	(328,417)	-100.0%
Total Expenditures	543,253	579,710	886,954	886,954	1,184,334	297,380	33.5%
Revenues							
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Intergovernmental	27,448	87,746	28,613	28,613	91,471	62,858	219.7%
Charges For Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
All Other Revenue	310	89	323	323	93	(229)	-71.1%
Total Revenues	27,758	87,836	28,935	28,935	91,564	62,628	216.4%
Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)	3.00	3.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	-	-

• Emergency Management Grants

Emergency Management grants have typically been provided by Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, through the Kansas Division of Emergency Management (KDEM) to enhance preparedness in Sedgwick County. Grants awarded include the Emergency Management Performance Grant and the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant. Major programs supported through these grants include emergency planning, training, and exercise activities. In late 2022, KDEM announced a significant increase in funding through the Emergency Management Performance Grant due to the 2020 census data indicating Sedgwick County population exceeding 500,000 residents. The additional funding will be used to expand and strengthen volunteer and community outreach activities as well as continue to fund the Emergency Management Planner’s salary.

Fund(s): Emergency Management - Grants 257

Expenditures	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Adopted	2023 Revised	2024 Budget	Amnt. Chg. '23 - '24	% Chg. '23 - '24
Personnel	146,711	60,756	63,211	63,211	83,905	20,694	32.7%
Contractual Services	80,983	57,840	40,000	65,000	45,000	(20,000)	-30.8%
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Commodities	11,954	-	-	25,000	5,000	(20,000)	-80.0%
Capital Improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Capital Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Interfund Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Total Expenditures	239,647	118,596	103,211	153,211	133,905	(19,306)	-12.6%
Revenues							
Taxes	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Intergovernmental	241,051	138,570	106,297	156,297	144,451	(11,846)	-7.6%
Charges For Service	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
All Other Revenue	-	44,065	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Total Revenues	241,051	182,635	106,297	156,297	144,451	(11,846)	-7.6%
Full-Time Equivalents (FTEs)	3.50	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	-	-