

# 2009 Presidential Inauguration Briefing

## **Planning Assumptions**

- Opening Ceremony January 18, 2009
  Lincoln Memorial concert and speeches
  12 noon until 4:00 P.M.
  Attendees: 15,000 ticketed, 300,000 in security zone and up to 1,000,000 allowed in mall area served by Jumbo Trons
  Some inaugural balls in the region
  Swearing in and parade events are January 20, 2009
  Swearing-in ceremony at 10 A.M. until 12 noon.
  Parade (2:30-5:30 PM)
  The number of attendees is evolving (estimates up to 2.5 million)
  Many inaugural balls throughout the region.
- $\Box$  Events in the City
  - Jumbo Tron at Market Square
  - ♦ Ball at Torpedo Factory



## **Key Issues**

- □ Transportation
  - Current bridge and road restrictions being updated daily on the City's website
  - City Marina closed to all but Coast Guard approved commercial vessels
- □ Communications
  - Regional PIOs coordinating messages
- □ Mass Care
  - Shelters and supplies ready if needed
- □ Health
  - Regional hospitals and Health Departments working closely together
- □ Continued Provision of City Services
  - EOC will ensure City services are maintained
- □ Funding for Inaugural Activities
  - Regional congressional delegation is working to secure funding
  - Maryland and Virginia have made Emergency Declarations
  - The President has declared that a state of emergency exists in the District of Columbia for the Inaugural event from January 17<sup>th</sup> to the 21st



#### □ Emergency Management

- EOC set up on Friday 1/16/2009 ready to occupy
- EOC activated 1/20/2009
- Call Center activated on 1/20/2009 for people in Alexandria; linked to ACVA and DASH

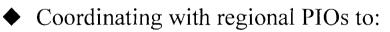
#### □ Law Enforcement

- Providing staff to support DC PD
- Providing staff to support Park Police
- Providing Security for the hospital, water taxi, Market Square Jumbo Tron, metro stations, Amtrak
- Traffic control on roads and at street closures
- Police staff in the Multi-Agency Coordination Center in DC
- Additional staffing to handle increased call processing in Police communications



#### □ Fire and Rescue

- Staffing additional units including extra medic units to meet call demand
- ◆ Additional staffing to handle increased call processing in Fire communications.
- Staffing specialty units, marine operations, hazardous materials, and technical rescue
- Fire staff in the Multi-Agency Coordination Center in DC
- D PIO



- $\rightarrow$  provide common messages
- $\rightarrow$  refer requests for information to the appropriate agency to avoid conflicts
- → communicate information to people outside the area who may be planning to come to DC
- Preparing general messages



### □ **Transportation**

- ◆ DASH operating an enhanced Saturday Schedule
- DASH supplementing Metro with buses from King Street and Braddock Road Metro Stations
- 20 School buses available for emergencies and to shuttle hospital employees to Alexandria Hospital
- ♦ North Bound G.W. Parkway detoured to Route 1 at Montgomery Street

### □ Mass Care

- ◆ Identified two facilities that can be used for public sheltering
- Pre-positioning Red Cross shelter trailers with equipment at both facilities
- Identified Recreation and Red Cross staff for both facilities
- City staff sleeping facilities have also been identified



### □ Health

- Public Health and hospitals preparing for additional patient transports and potential Emergency Department impacts.
- Increased disease surveillance and food inspections at inaugural events
- Hospitals increasing supplies of food, fuel and equipment
- Regional patient tracking and distribution system put into place
- ◆ Family reunification system has been established



## **Next Steps**

- □ Continue regional meetings for status updates
- □ Complete City Incident Action Plans
- Continue working with regional partners to maintain situational awareness especially changes in road closures
- Continued messaging to the Public on street closures, transportation options and events
- □ Monitor weather

