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Mayor Brodell

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS  
FUNDING

As you know city employees, Chamber of Commerce, Schools, and especially the Medical Community have developed a good Emergency Response Procedures and generated a high level of awareness.

The Response Procedures have three basic elements.

1. Twelve Emergency Resource Centers staffed by Medical personnel, Rescue personnel and some temporary housing personnel.

Funding for these twelve locations has been provided by Leadership Jonesboro (6,000) and the Medical Society (Exact amount is unknown but I believe it exceeds 6,000.)

2. Immediate Response  
City employees and volunteers have been divided into twelve teams which will immediately respond to the twelve locations. No funding is required.
3. Centralized Control  
The key elements for this is
  - a. a control center where the Mayor, Emergency Coordinator and team leaders will be located. The permanent facility will be the 9-1-1 dispatch center. Since this is several months away we plan to use a borrowed 18 wheeler trailer parked in the Safeway parking lot. We will need money for steps, tables, chairs, etc.
  - b. Communications  
The key element in an organized response plan is good communication. City vehicles have radios but new radios are required for the control center. For now we will buy the minimum essential radios. Eventually, Police department id on the 800 system. A major earthquake a tornado could disable this sensitive system. Money is required to renovate low frequency radios.

We have a good plan and people are committed to making it work. However, a Control Center is essential to its success. A draft of the first three sections of this procedure is attached.

A summary of the initial money required for equipment as follows. The money is needed immediately because we are scheduled to conduct an exercises with the National Guard on December 1 and 2.

1- scanner	500
4 - Multi channel radios \$600.00 -	\$2,400
- Repair old radios	2,000
- 5 KW generator	1,000
- Emergency lighting	
- Space heater	560
- Plastic tent	
- tables and chairs	
- steps, shelves, etc.	500
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	\$7,500

In addition we need authorization to train the leaders of our rescue teams

1. Training session on Dec. 1, 1990 at the Forum. To be conducted by J.T. Cantrell, Little Rock Fire Department.

Fire - 2 Captains  
8 Lieutenant

Streets & Sanitation - 20 people  
Hour 11:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.

2. Emergency Resource Centers  
The physicians plan to hold a one or two hour drill at each of the twelve locations and some 30 people will be involved.

  
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