

**EMERGENCY**

**MANAGEMENT**

**Town of Derry, NH**  
**Department Mission & Objectives**  
**Fiscal Year 2010**

DEPARTMENT: Emergency Management

**NARRATIVE**

The Derry Bureau of Emergency Management (EM) leads the community effort to prepare the Town of Derry to effectively respond and manage any natural or human-made disaster. Emergency Management assists other town departments in developing contingency emergency plans and maintains a comprehensive all hazards Emergency Operations Plan. EM serves as the coordinating agency among town departments and the conduit for communication with the NH Department of Homeland Security/ Emergency Management during times of emergency/ disaster. For additional information about emergency management refer to the following web pages <http://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/bem/index.html> and <http://www.fema.gov>.

EM maintains an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) which can be opened any day of the week, at any given time. The EOC is equipped with back-up power, computers, state of the art communication equipment and meeting space for emergency management personnel. The EOC has the ability to monitor weather conditions, communicate with the State of NH EOC, all town departments and area amateur radio operators. The EOC is also capable of broadcasting emergency information to the public through the internet, local cable television and an interactive automated telephone communication system (Reverse 911). The EOC coordinates resources, monitors conditions, and coordinates emergency shelter openings as required as well as coordinated emergency response between fire, police and public works.

Emergency Management was truly tested during the past fiscal year when the Town was struck with an unprecedented ice storm, at the height of the storm it is estimated 98% of the community was without power. Some residents experienced prolonged power loss for up to twelve days. The Bureau used all of its skills, training and resources to coordinate the Towns emergency activities for nearly two weeks. The Bureau coordinated with FEMA to assist the Town private residents and businesses to seek federal and state reimbursement.

**PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES**

**Emergency Planning:** This is an on-going activity which involves bolstering of the Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and developing policies and procedures to support it. In 2006 EM received Emergency Management Performance Grant through the New Hampshire Bureau of Emergency Management/ Department of Homeland Security and used the grant to redraft the Town of Derry Emergency Operations Plan in Emergency Support Function Format (ESF). Emergency management staff in collaboration with all other town departments is updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan as a part of the Towns long range planning efforts.

**Community Emergency Response Team (CERT):** In 2008 the Bureau sponsored a CERT and had 14 volunteers join the group. The CERT meets monthly or more and has had a number of training exercises that will allow them to participate in emergency as well as community events. During the December Ice Storm the CERT was active throughout providing assistance to emergency responders.

**Community Notification Systems:** The Bureau has used Reverse 911 which is an interactive geo-based communication system. With this year's budget, the Bureau is requesting a change to a web based system that will replace our current system.

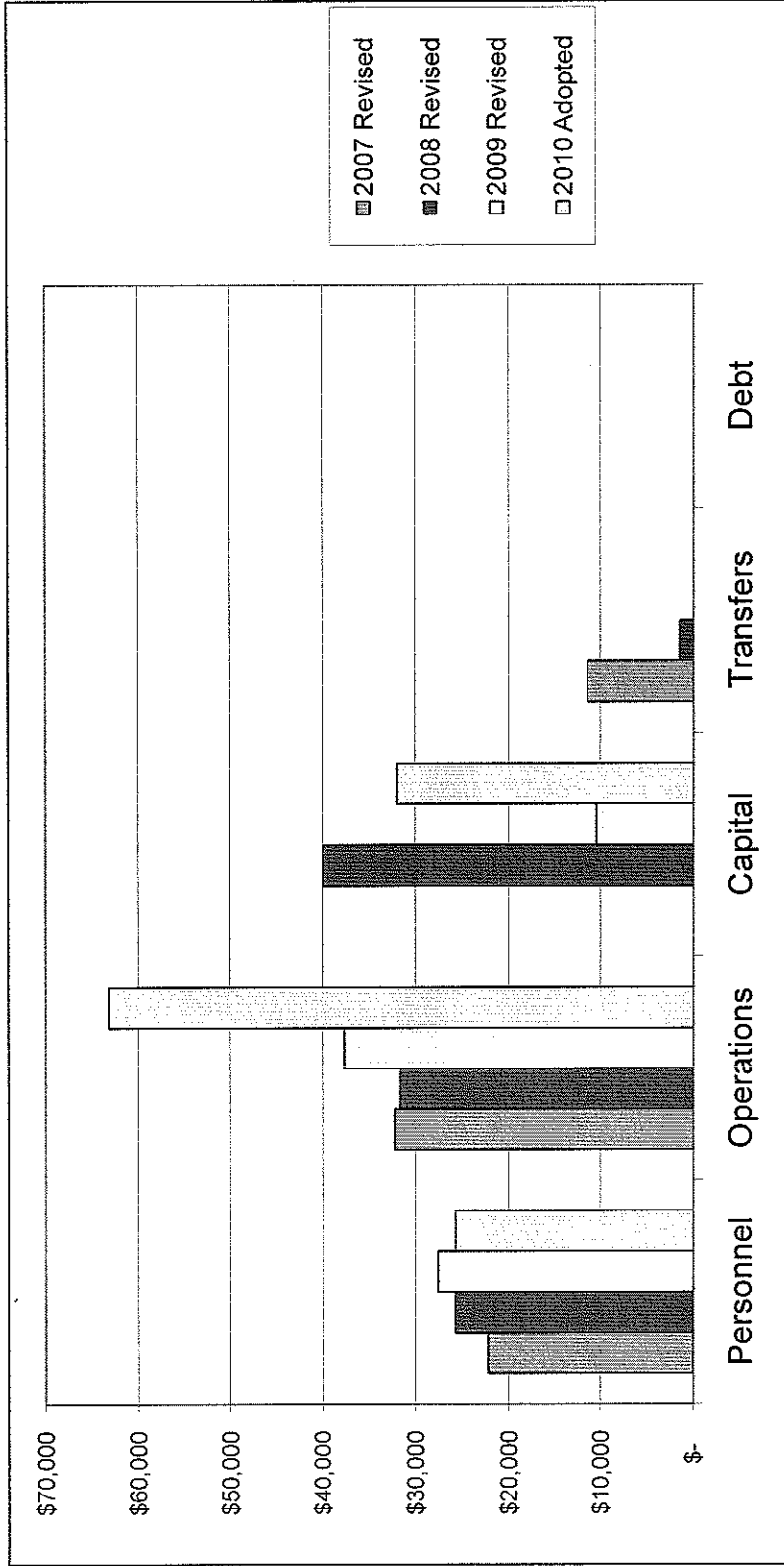
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Further, the Bureau purchased a low band AM radio station 1610 AM in 2008 for information and community notification. With this years budget the Bureau is requesting an upgrade to the system by placing a repeater in Town in order to increase the clarity and effectiveness of the range of the radio station.

In 2009 the Bureau purchased a portable reader board that is used for a number of public notifications as well as emergency notifications. This sign enhances the availability of the DPW reader board.

The Bureau will continue to enhance and update emergency notification systems as well as continue to provide public safety training in order to keep our community.

**Town of Derry, NH  
Emergency Management Budget Comparison  
FY2007 - FY2010**



	2007 Revised	2008 Revised	2009 Revised	2010 Adopted	% of Change FY09-FY10
Personnel	\$ 22,166	\$ 25,763	\$ 27,590	\$ 25,749	-6.7%
Operations	32,226	31,625	37,621	63,149	67.9%
Capital	0	40,000	10,500	32,000	204.8%
Transfers	11,500	1,500	0	1	N/A
Debt	0	0	0	0	N/A
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 65,892</b>	<b>\$ 98,888</b>	<b>\$ 75,711</b>	<b>\$ 120,899</b>	<b>59.7%</b>



Town of Derry, NH  
 FY 2010 Budget  
 Activity Center Summary By Category

12 Department: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPT		Activity Center : EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT						
Acct #	Account Description	FY 2007 Revised Budget	FY 2008 Revised Budget	FY 2009 Revised Budget	2009 Projected Actual	2010 Department Recommended	2010 Town Admin Recommended	2010 Town Council Adopted
690	FIRE OTHER NON CAPITAL	2,700	2,000	9,915	9,915	37,500	37,500	23,000
	<b>TOTAL Operations &amp; Maintenance</b>	<b>32,226</b>	<b>31,125</b>	<b>37,621</b>	<b>38,356</b>	<b>77,649</b>	<b>77,649</b>	<b>63,149</b>
	<b>Capital Outlay</b>							
740	EM MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT	0	40,500	10,500	32,000	32,000	32,000	32,000
	<b>TOTAL Capital Outlay</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40,500</b>	<b>10,500</b>	<b>32,000</b>	<b>32,000</b>	<b>32,000</b>	<b>32,000</b>
	<b>Transfers</b>							
910	EM TFR TO SPECIAL REVENUE	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	0
960	EM TFR TO TRUST/AGENCY FUND	1,500	1,500	0	0	1	1	1
	<b>TOTAL Transfers</b>	<b>11,500</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>Debt Service</b>							
	<b>TOTAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>65,892</b>	<b>98,888</b>	<b>75,711</b>	<b>93,481</b>	<b>138,988</b>	<b>139,106</b>	<b>120,899</b>