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Volunteer amateur radio operators enrolled in the 19 districts and County Emergency Operations Center comprise the largest and most active Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES). This group is mobilized in case of:

- War-caused emergencies;
- Local disasters, e.g., earthquakes, major forest fires, or riots;
- National disasters; and
- Mountain, desert, or water rescues.

Department staff and district communications officers are appointed to supervise and direct the volunteers. Their duties and responsibilities are outlined in detail in established operations manuals.