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To: Justice Committee

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September has been National Preparedness Month and we have sent several packets of individual preparedness information to groups and individuals.

I attended and spoke at the IEMA Conference in Springfield.

A lot of the focus was on business continuity planning and recovering from natural disasters.

I will be taking a FEMA training course on Public Assistance later this month and then deploy with FEMA for a couple of weeks work in the field. Public Assistance is how local units of government deal with FEMA to recover cost incurred during a disaster and apply for mitigation funds to lessen the impact of future disasters. This training and fieldwork will be invaluable to Champaign County to insure we are prepared to produce the necessary documentation to recover the most funds from a disaster expenditures.