

**Memorandum of Understanding  
Between Greenwood County and Lander University**

Greenwood County and Lander University do hereby enter into this Memorandum of Understanding for the purpose of defining activities that mutually benefit both parties through collaboration on Emergency Management issues that promote the safety and welfare of our citizens and the resilience of the community.

The Greenwood Emergency Management program includes all citizens, governments, businesses, and non-profit organizations collaborating to prepare for, mitigate against, respond to, and to recover from man-made and natural events.

Whereby Greenwood County operates a Department for Emergency Management, and that Lander University operates in Greenwood County, both parties agree to collaborate in activities that will leverage our assets.

Lander University proposes to establish procedures to document "like in kind" contributions to support Greenwood County's effort to improve our emergency management program funded in part by grants from public and private sources.

This collaboration with the County also includes other government organizations in the county as well as private businesses and non-government organizations.

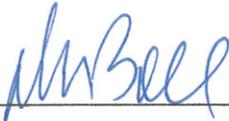
Specially, Lander agrees that it will:

1. Work with the Greenwood Emergency Management Team by being part of the integrated Emergency Management Program. This would include being a member of the Emergency Operations Planning Committee as well as being part of the response, recovery and mitigation phases of our program.
2. Offer its Media area, specific classrooms and lecture halls as an alternative Media Center for the County. This will include the use of parking spaces and dining hall facilities and available student housing (depending on availability).
3. Offer specific classrooms and support rooms as an alternate Event Operations Center (EOC) for use by the county. This will include the use of parking spaces and dining hall facilities and available student housing (depending on availability).
4. Offer designated student housing as a certified Red Cross Shelter when constructed. This will include the use of parking spaces, dining hall facilities, and available student housing.
5. Offer to conduct classes and exercise co-sponsored with the County and State Emergency Management Division for appropriate Lander, county, and state personnel.

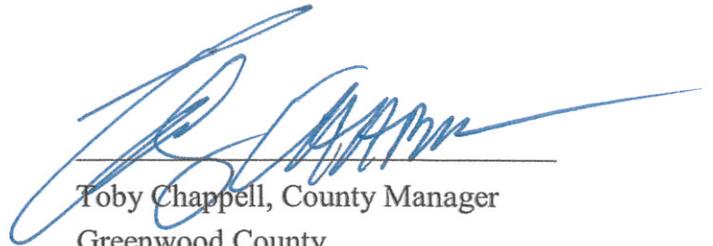
6. All of the above activities (1-5) are subject the following:
  - a. Both parties understand that they will not have the authority to obligate funds or facilities belonging to the other agency.
  - b. That meals will be made available at the then prevailing rate.
  - c. That Lander extends its facilities and personnel in hosting joint training exercises.
  - d. That the County Emergency Management program will advise Lander University in enhancing their emergency management assets and recommend grant sources to fund those improvements.
  - e. That the intent of this agreement is to facilitate collaboration and utilization of Lander University's facilities with the understanding that Lander University must be able to serve its primary mission as an institution of higher education and that scheduling must accommodate and not interfere with normal student-oriented operations. Both parties anticipate that regular educational operations may well be disrupted by a hurricane, earthquake, or other type of emergency such that Lander's facilities would be available for use for emergency management purposes. Even during normal university operations, there is the capacity for Lander to host conferences, training, and exercises during evenings and weekends and during the summer months when classes are at a reduced level.
7. To contribute to the educational mission of Lander University, Greenwood County and its Emergency Management Department intends to offer the following at minimum cost to Lander University:
  - a. Internships (both compensated and uncompensated) for Lander University students seeking to gain professional training through experiential learning opportunities. These internship opportunities would be open for students seeking to gain experience in communications by working with various departments of the County, especially the Emergency Management Department in generating educational materials and implementing communications campaigns to better educate and inform citizens.
  - b. Training at no or little cost to the University as it relates to preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation. The Greenwood County Emergency Management Department is familiar with the federal regulations requiring Institutions of Higher Learning and Schools K-12 have emergency operations plans and has the expertise to assist Lander to develop the plans and train for them. In the event of an emergency on campus, Lander University will send appropriate personnel and resources to Greenwood County as provided for in the University's emergency management plan.

- c. Greenwood County can provide instruction on how to prepare emergency kits, how to mitigate damages, and where the citizen, business, or other entity fits into the overall Emergency Management Program for the county.
- d. Any other Collaboration that shall be mutually agreeable to both parties.

Greenwood County and Lander University hereby agree to collaborate in the preparation of grant proposals to fund collaborate efforts as described herein to include but not be limited to: upgrading of Lander's facilities for use related to emergency management operations (or training, or evacuation either in preparation for, during or post-response/recovery phases.) In addition, working together, parties may find other grant opportunities such as funding research, instruction, public service/education, additional equipment facilities, or other activities that advance the county and state's emergency management programs.



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