

So, You Think You're Alone in a Disaster?

A Relationship Tabletop Experience

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Opening

- Welcome
- Explanations and Assumptions
- Questions before we begin

EMP Video

CNN: What's an
Electromagnetic Pulse Attack?

Scenario

Today, you woke up without any electricity in your home. As many others, you went to your phone to call the electric company and the phones were dead. After checking around your home you find out all electrical devices are dead, so you go to your car and realize it won't start either. You do notice several of your neighbors outside their home trying to figure out what is happening. As time goes, on more and more people are coming out of their homes looking for answers. You hear from one of your neighbors, who is a HAM operator, he heard reports on the HAM network a missile was detonated in the atmosphere above Chicago.

Scenario

We, the participants in this scenario, now need to decide what steps need to be done.

Scenario Questions

1. What initial steps as an individual, family, and neighbor should you take in this situation? Why?
2. A person around you is pale and frightened and breathing fast. They do have asthma. What do you do?
3. How do you communicate with friends, with family, for help?
4. Who else do you need to notify?
5. What special concerns are you going to have?

Update # 1

As a county, the emergency manager activates the emergency operation center (EOC). In your representative role, you are trying to find out what has happened. Somehow, it is verified a nuclear missile was detonated approximately 110 miles in the atmosphere above Chicago. The detonation has caused an electro-magnetic pulse (EMP) that caused a blackout situation for several hundreds of miles in all directions. Anything that contains a microprocessor is now dead, all electrical transmission lines have overloaded causing electrical substations to blow and start on fire.

Questions Update # 1

1. How have your concerns changed?
2. How do you communicate within your organization?
3. How many staff/volunteers/helpers do you expect to have available? How long before they arrive?
4. As an organization, who do you go to for help, or, to help? Who's your backup and how deep?
5. What contingencies do you need to plan for?

Update # 2

4- 5 Days Later....

The blackout continues. Multiple states have been impacted. Relief stations have been or are being set up. A long term recovery group is being formed.

Questions Update # 2

1. How has your situation changed?
2. What is your role?
3. Who are you trying to contact from inside or outside of your organizational network? Why?
4. Who from inside or outside of your organizational network is trying to contact you? Why?
5. Who is going to help with the Long Term Recovery group? Who should be called?

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1. Cities are in mass hysteria.
2. Generator's from all over are running out of fuel.
3. How does all look in 48 hours? 4-10 days?
4. What other organizations can you think of that may be of help? (Local, State, Federal/National)

Hotwash

- Major issues that need to be handled first?
- Who needs to be at the table?
- What other relationships or partnerships do you have currently?
- What other relationships or partnerships do you intend to make after this?

Questions?