

2.732 INFRASTRUCTURE FAILURES

2.732.02 Assumptions

- A. The university's infrastructure is made up of fundamental facilities and systems that are designed to deliver necessary services. Failures in these various systems can cause disruptions within the community that range from inconveniences to potentially life threatening conditions.
- B. This agency is assigned certain response and recovery responsibilities during incidents involving infrastructure failures consistent with the TU Emergency Operations Plan (**EOP 2.03 Response and Recovery Responsibilities and Matrices**).
- C. This agency responds to many infrastructure failures, not as the primary responsible agency, but as first responders for:
 - 1. Initial incident size-up, assessment and referral to proper authorities;
 - 2. Emergency Medical System (EMS);
 - 3. Site and crowd security;
 - 4. Other efforts to preserve life and protect property.
- D. Infrastructure failures that may require responses by this agency include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. Electrical outages;
 - 2. Telephone outages;
 - 3. Water, sewer, gas, and steam line leaks or ruptures;
 - 4. Construction accidents & collapses; and
 - 5. Elevator entrapments.
- E. Infrastructure failures are usually TU EOP **Type 3, Type 4 or Type 5 Incidents**. **Type 1 or 2 Incidents** may contain components related to infrastructure failures.

2.732.04 Plan

- A. **Electrical outages** may require this agency to:
 - 1. Activate **2.757 TU Alerts** and make other appropriate notifications;
 - 2. Assist with evacuations;
 - 3. Secure powerless buildings and facilities;
 - 4. Cordon off downed power lines or distribution equipment;
 - 5. Direct or control traffic in dark intersections;
 - 6. Post officers and aides in highly visible locations;
 - 7. Monitor calls for service to determine if on-scene responses are necessary; and
 - 8. Facilitate communications between university and electrical utility maintenance personnel.
- B. **Telephone outages** (TU switch) may require this agency to:
 - 1. Activate **2.757 TU Alerts**, inform the community to use 410-830-2134 as the TUPD contact number, use the cell phone assigned to Communications for outgoing phone calls, and make other appropriate notifications;
 - 2. Post officers and aides in highly visible locations;
 - 3. Monitor calls for service to determine if on-scene responses are necessary.
- C. **Water, sewer, gas, and steam line leaks or ruptures** may require this agency to:
 - 1. Activate **2.757 TU Alerts** and make other appropriate notifications;
 - 2. Assist with evacuations;
 - 3. Secure affected buildings and facilities;
 - 4. Cordon off leak or rupture locations; and
 - 5. Facilitate communications between university and utility maintenance personnel.
- D. **Construction accidents & collapses** may require this agency to:
 - 1. Activate **2.757 TU Alerts** and make other appropriate notifications;
 - 2. Assist with evacuations;
 - 3. Secure affected buildings and facilities;

4. Cordon off and protect scenes for investigating authorities; and
 5. Participate in a Unified Command structure.
- E. **Elevator entrapments** may require this agency to:
1. Make appropriate notifications;
 2. Assign officers to ensure entrapped persons do not try to extricate themselves without assistance from maintenance or BCFD personnel;
 3. Ensure entrapments were not the result of criminal activity; and
 4. Facilitate communications between university and utility maintenance personnel.