

Avon & Somerset Faith Communities'

Major Emergency Plan

A Multi-Faith Response to a Major Emergency or Disaster

A volunteer project in conjunction with the Avon & Somerset Constabulary

If you were a victim in a major emergency, who would help you?

When a major incident occurs, the statutory services respond swiftly. However, the victims of major emergencies often need the sort of pastoral support these services are not equipped to provide. Faith communities can play an important part - but only if we are ready to respond in an effective, coordinated and appropriate way. To this end a Faith Communities' Major Emergency Plan was set up in the 1980s and now provides support for the entire Avon and Somerset Constabulary area.

Although we regularly recruit new volunteers, each year some of our team members retire or move away. Right now, more volunteers are needed if we are to provide adequate cover on a rota basis, bearing in mind that in the event of a major emergency a proportion of our team may not be available for a variety of reasons.

Find out more at Familiarisation Days:

Wednesday 20th November 2024: 09:30 – 15:30 at Avon & Somerset Constabulary HQ, Portishead

Wednesday 27th November 2024: 09:30 – 15:30 at Flourish House, Wells

Enrichment Day for current volunteers:

Wednesday 4th December 2024: 09:30 – 15:30 at Flourish House, Wells

- Please publicise this opportunity among members of your congregation who would be willing to provide help and support to all victims of major emergencies -- those of any faith or none.
- If you or any of your colleagues or members of your congregation are interested in attending, please contact Allie White, Mission Support and Ministry Development Team Coordinator, Diocese of Bath and Wells, at allie.white@bathwells.anglican.org, [click here](#), or scan the QR code for a registration form.



We look forward to hearing from you.



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