Channel Industries Mutual Aid

Providing Emergency Response Services to the Houston Ship Channel area since 1955

What is CIMA??

100+ Industries, Municipalities, and Governmental Agencies coming together to form the World's Largest Industrial Emergency Mutual Aid Organization serving the Houston Ship Channel Area!

History of CIMA

CIMA's current membership consists of approximately 100 members from Industry, Municipalities, Government, and Law enforcement agencies covering Harris and Chambers Counties. The organization has established many programs in its emergency response plan to provide an organized response in times of disaster. Such programs include; a centralized dispatch system for the radio network, pre arranged alarm list database for it's members, a multi casualty incident plan, road block committees, and technical advice groups to name a few.

Organization

2021 Executive Officers:

Chairman: Tod Jenkins, Enterprise Products

       * Chief Executive Officer of the CIMA Organization

1st Vice Chairman: Richard Lawhorn, Harris County Fire Marshal's Office

       * Treasurer & Budget

2nd Vice Chairman: Ron Nowetner, Celanese Clear Lake

       * Records

       * Communications

       * Training

Office Manager: Susan Barnes

Organization

Emergency Response Specialists (33)

* Manage requests for CIMA Aid
* Offer advise, counsel and special assignments
* Manage fire or emergency activities under authority and direction of plant officials
* Subject matter experts in areas such as Marine FF, HazMat, Law Enforcement, Command, etc.

Available CIMA Resources

❖ **Ambulance (ALS, BLS, and Multi-Casualty Units)**

❖ **HazMat Equipment**

❖ **Spill Boom**

❖ **Fire Engines, Ladder Trucks and Quick Attacks**

❖ **Rescue Boat**

❖ **Breathing Air Support**

❖ **Command Units**

❖ **Rehab Trailers**

❖ **Manpower Crews**

Calling for CIMA Assistance

East Harris County Emergency Communications

CIMA dispatch is designed to dispatch a special call, standby, or alarm list activation, and provide any other support as needed. After an assignment has been dispatched, CIMA dispatch will monitor the CIMA radio and transfer the dispatch function to CIMA personnel supporting Command.