PREPARING FOR LARGE EVENTS
Planning ...
...and Partnerships are critical
Permit Applications / Meetings

- NSSE – USSS Lead Agency
  - Inaugurals/State of the Union/State Funerals/G-20 Summit
- Special Events
- First Amendment Activities
- Affected Agencies Contacted and Involved in the Planning
Comprehensive Meeting

- Attendance
- Duration
- Stage Positioning
- March
- Lighting
- Sound System
- Fencing
Comprehensive Meeting

- Transportation/Parking
- Portable Toilets
- First Aid
- Lost Persons/Family Reunification
- Water
- Civil Disobedience
  - Coordinated vs. Impromptu
Die-In at the White House Sidewalk
Overcrowding Mitigation Plan

- Staff Movable Fencing to limit crowd size but allow for safe egress
- FEMA guideline of 1 person per 5 square feet
- Access points/Screening sites/Metal detector sites
Million Man March
Stage / Fencing

- Placement
- Size
- March
- Two Stages
- Sound System

- Jumbo-Tron Screens
- Security
- Fencing
  - Snow Fence
  - Chain Link
  - Screening
Portable Toilets

- Ratios
  - 1~2 Hour Event = 1 per 500
  - 3 Hours Plus = 1 per 300
  - Handicap = 10 ~ 20 %
- Placement
First Aid

- Size / Scope of Activity
- Placement / Identification
- Tents
- Ambulance

- Medevac Site
- Hospitals
- Grid Maps
- Variables - Heat / Alcohol
Lost Persons/Family Reunification

- Centralized
- Placement / Identification
- Announcements / Information
  - Event stage
  - Jumbo Trons
Water

- Promote participants to bring water

- Vending ...
Transportation

- Involve All Affected Agencies
- Predetermined Parking
  - Buses
  - Media
  - Cars
- Mass Transit
Intelligence

- Agency Intelligence Unit and/or local FBI
  - Prior dealings with group
  - History of problems
  - Ability to draw large crowds
  - Specific agencies, areas, or buildings that could be trouble spots
Counter Protest – Anti War Demo 2007

Anarchist Group
Controversial Groups Require Close Coordination and Contingency Plans

Westboro Baptist Church

KKK and NSM
Mutual Aid
Disasters

- Man Made
- Natural
- Safe Haven
- Safe Exit Plans
- Mass Notification Systems
- Message Boards/Jumbo-trons
- Text Messaging/Media Announcements
TO RECEIVE EMERGENCY INFORMATION

- On your cell phone, text the message “DC” to 411811.
- You will be signed up for Alert DC, which provides real-time text alerts containing important information.
- On Twitter, follow Inauguration_DC to receive updates.

TEXT HISTORY TO 563233 FOR INAUGURAL UPDATES
Safe Haven Locations
Safe Exit
Officer Considerations

- Union Contracts
  - Extended Hours
- Lunch Breaks or Food Provision
- Liquids Available
- Appropriate Weather and Riot Gear
Recent Events

- 56th Presidential Inauguration 2009
  - Opening and Swearing In Ceremonies
- Independence Day Celebration 2010
- Restoring Honor Rally 2010
56th Presidential Inauguration – January 20, 2009
Independence Day Celebration – July 4, 2010