

LEPC Whole Community Representatives

EPCRA expressly intends that the LEPCs and TEPC serve as a focal point in the community for information and discussion about hazardous chemical emergency planning and health and environmental risks. They also play a key role in effective all-hazard planning.

Section 301(c) specifies that each LEPC and TEPC organization should include, at a minimum, representatives from each of the following groups:

State/Local Officials	Commissioner, sheriff, county clerk, attorney, mayor, state representative, state emergency management, or environmental official
Law Enforcement	Police officers, police chief, sheriff, or deputies
First Responders	Fire chief, firefighters
Emergency Management	Emergency preparedness coordinator, emergency coordinators for businesses
Health	County health department, doctors, mental health hospital, hospital administrator/director, or poison control center
Broadcast/Communications Media	Newspapers, website developers, public information, RACES, ham radio clubs, or local weather reporters.
Print Media	Daily or weekly newspaper editors, reporters, trade journal editors/reporters
Emergency Medical Services	Director or county ambulance, EMS technicians
Transportation	Highway department, school bus director, airport authority, trucking company, or transit
Local Environmental Groups	County extension office, Environmental Groups (ex: Sierra Club, conservation groups, Audubon Society), school environmental program director
Community Groups	Red Cross, Salvation Army, special needs groups, Animal Shelters, Ministerial Alliance, Chamber of Commerce, Garden Club, Rotary Club, Kiwanis, Lion's Club; groups focused on environmental justice issues
Facility Owners/Operators	Any representative from a facility using/storing hazardous materials within your county
Other	Resident, homeowners' associations, minister, school administration, science teachers.

While EPCRA Section 301(c) specifies that each LEPC and TEPC organization should include representatives from each of these groups, EPA recognizes that this is not possible in all communities. As a part of the annual LEPC survey, the Montana SERC requests information on how many of the groups are represented.