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Greene County responds to Joplin tornado

Emergency responders from Greene County have deployed to Joplin to assist with tornado response. The Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management, the Greene County Sheriff's Office, the Greene County Highway Department and the Greene County Public Information Office have workers in Joplin today.

Emergency Management arrived in Joplin about 9 p.m. Sunday. They are operating the office's Emergency Communications Mobile Unit and providing incident management team support to the City of Joplin.

More than 40 Greene County sheriff's deputies have also responded, and are providing search and rescue assistance and set up and managed a makeshift morgue.

The Highway Department dispatched four road crews to help clear debris from roadways.

Greene County will continue to provide tornado response support Tuesday.

The City of Joplin is posting local information updates at www.facebook.com/CityOfJoplin.

For more information on Greene County efforts, call or text Jenny Fillmer Edwards, Greene County Public Information Officer, at 417-224-5510.

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