

## 2.722 AIRCRAFT CRASH

### 2.722.02 Assumptions

- A. The agency's basic response and recovery responsibilities in aircraft crash incidents are established in the TU Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) **2.03 Response and Recovery Responsibilities and Matrices**.
- B. The university lies outside any heavily used takeoff and landing approaches for the two local airports, Baltimore / Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport and Martin State Airport, but may experience occasional fly over's by commercial, private, and military fixed-wing aircraft associated with those airports.
- C. Public and private sector helicopters may regularly fly over and land near or on campus. St. Joseph's Hospital has an active helipad.
- D. Aviation crashes may cause many deaths, severe injuries, and major damage based on the size of the involved aircraft.
- E. A Unified Command may reasonably be anticipated consisting of university, county, state, and possibly federal representatives.
- F. Aircraft crashes are TU EOP **Type 1 or 2 Incidents** .

### 2.772.04 Plan

- A. Police, fire, and EMS personnel will initially respond.
- B. A Unified Command will be established. Assist the lead agency as required.
- C. Hazardous conditions should be expected.
  - 1. Aviation fuel is highly flammable and explosive.
  - 2. Avoid smoke and fumes if possible.
  - 3. It may be necessary to wear issued protective equipment.
  - 4. Military aircraft may be carrying ordnances.
- D. Inner and outer perimeters will be established. Uninvolved parties should be quickly evacuated to assembly points or evacuation centers.
- E. Treat the site as a crime scene until otherwise determined.
  - 1. Safeguard actual and potential evidence.
  - 2. Treat and remove the injured.
  - 3. Ensure wreckage is not moved unless it is an immediate hazard or must be immediately processed for perishable evidence.
- F. For military aircraft:
  - 1. Ensure 911 is notified of the aircraft's military origin;
  - 2. Cover and protect any scattered documents; and
  - 3. Protect all debris and wreckage from being removed by unauthorized persons.

**Intentionally Blank**