



Autodesk and Partners Deliver Solutions for Emergency Response to Help Emergency Professionals Plan for and Respond to Disasters

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Interoperable Technology and Services Ensure Quick and Effective Decisions

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., Nov. 17 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk (Nasdaq: ADSK), the world's leading design software and digital content company, today officially launched its Autodesk emergency response solutions program. Using the products that comprise the Autodesk Emergency Response Program, emergency response professionals will benefit from the ability to combine digital maps, building drawings, and emergency response information to quickly obtain and understand critical information in order to make informed decisions with confidence.

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The solution also allows public safety and emergency response professionals to integrate diverse data types from multiple departments. It employs web and mobile technology to deliver the most up-to-date information to the field when responding to a crisis. Autodesk software tools, partner applications, and Autodesk Professional Services are designed to help emergency professionals save lives and property, as well as save money, shorten response time, and effectively manage disasters. A demonstration of the solution can be found on the web at www.autodesk.com/emergencyresponse.

"After the Murrah Building explosion in Oklahoma City, Autodesk products for emergency response were invaluable to us. Using the software for mapping, floor plans, and 3D visualization shaved three to five days off our schedule," said Jon Hansen, retired assistant fire chief, Oklahoma City Fire-Rescue. "When you are dealing with an emergency like this, trying to locate survivors and uncover victims, any extra time is priceless."

"Unlike any other solution on the market, Autodesk has interoperable desktop, web, and mobile technology that allows you to combine different types of data-like floor plans, demographic information, hazardous material location, evacuation routes, and property information-into one format," said Chris Bradshaw, vice president of Autodesk's Infrastructure Solutions Division. "Your existing technology and data can be integrated quickly and with confidence."

Autodesk has teamed up with world-class companies to deliver the Autodesk solution for emergency response, including:

- DESC(R) -- DESC software focuses on transforming available CAD and GIS data, (building floor plans and city maps) into 2D and 3D "responder friendly" disaster planning and operations maps. For more information, go to www.descinc.com.
- Kanotech(R) -- CivicCenter Emergency Support provides you with what you need when planning for, responding to, and recovering from emergencies. This GIS solution gives you a centralized tool to capture and distribute critical information useful during each of these three emergency phases. For more information, go to www.kanotech.com.
- California CAD Solutions, Inc. -- Field Investigator from California CAD enables field crews to automate the collection of information about the condition of critical infrastructure and physical assets, including accurate geographic position data, for use in planning, response, or recovery efforts. For more information, go to www.calcad.com/ccs.
- Focus Geomatics -- WebEnforcer from Focus Geomatics performs web-based crime mapping, COMSTAT analysis, and Megan's Law enforcement for multiple jurisdictions. It supports accelerated data sharing between law enforcement, SWAT teams, firefighters, and other agencies. For more information, go to www.focus.ca/focus_security.
- Broadware Technologies provides web-enabled, enterprise wide, streaming video management, enabling geographically dispersed teams to simultaneously view, assess and act upon real-time video feeds. For more information, go to www.broadware.com.
- Kelar Corporation -- GSP from Kelar records, and reports incidents via interactive displays on web and mobile interfaces for airports, ports, parks, facilities, hazmat, borders, etc. Aerial photos, audio/video feeds, floor plans, form-fills, and GPS are incorporated in GSP. Dissemination is via web to PDAs, desktops, cell phones, etc. For more information, go to www.kelar.com.
- iMove(R) -- Spherical Video from iMove is complete 360x360-degree field-of-view digital imagery. Developed for use in government reconnaissance applications, iMove Spherical Video is the fastest way to capture comprehensive geo-referenced visual documentation. Works with all Autodesk emergency response applications. For more information, go to www.imoveinc.com.

- BIO-key International, Inc., (Nasdaq, OTC Bulletin Board: BKYI) provides biometric identification technologies that control access to sensitive information. Using BIO-key technology, emergency response professionals with multi-jurisdictional credentials can be identified by their finder alone, simplifying credentialing and access control at the scene. Autodesk manages the "what" and "where" of emergencies and BIO-key manages the "who." For more information, go to www.bio-key.com.
- Floorview, LLC, software allows emergency personnel located in the field to quickly access and visualize building floor plans, aerial photographs, exterior and interior photographs, and tactical information. For more information, go to www.floorview.com.
- Asvaco -- Assessment Software from Asvaco standardizes and communicates data collection and reporting procedures and allows for self-assessment and self-monitoring procedures. For more information, go to www.asvaco.com.

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