

## **Public Service Events**

Someday you may be approached to provide amateur radio support for an event. Generally the support we provide in the Kalamazoo area is sanctioned by either the Kalamazoo Amateur Radio Club or RACES.

On initial contact you should acquire the following information:

1. Who is in charge? (Contact information including an email address.)
2. What are we expected to do? (This helps us decide whether we are qualified to provide support.)
3. Where will we be needed? (Could this event be handled by hams in another County?)
4. When is the event and for how long? (Helps to determine manpower required. Don't forget that many events require us to be there early.)
5. Why us? (Do they just need bodies, or do they actually need us for what we can do?)
6. How did you do it previously? (Is it a new event? Did the event get too large?)

This information should help with preliminary planning. If the event is a "go", additional organization tools can be downloaded at <http://nk8x.net/library.htm>

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