

# Texas Emergency Medical Task Force

Component Overview



## AST & AMST

[Ambulance & Air Medical Strike Teams]

### MISSION

- Primary mission is to provide medical transport & evacuation services during a large-scale disaster.
- Secondary missions include responding to mass casualty incidents, firefighter rehabilitation, incident support for all hazards, & other appropriate, like missions.
- Strike teams are incorporated into regional response plans in addition to being available for a state activation

### CAPABILITIES

- 24/7 response capable, mobile intensive care / advanced / basic life support ambulances [based upon license & crew credentials]
- A Strike Team is comprised of 5 [ground or air] ambulances led by a Strike Team Leader in an EMS Command vehicle
- Over 300 EMS, Fire, & Air Medical Providers are TX EMTF members, deployable on behalf of the State of Texas
- Each of the [8] EMTF Regions recruits strike teams that provide 35+ deployable teams

### TYPING/STAFFING

- Ground Ambulances:  
Basic Life Support [BLS]: minimum [2] emergency care attendants  
Advanced Life Support [ALS]: minimum [1] EMT-Intermediate & [1] EMT-Basic  
Mobile Intensive Care Unit [MICU]: minimum [1] EMT-Paramedic & [1] EMT-Basic
- Air Ambulances [Rotary/Fixed]:  
Mobile Intensive Care Unit [MICU]: minimum [1] EMT-Paramedic/ Registered Nurse/ Physician & [1] EMT-Basic; both solely dedicated to patient care



### Personnel / Asset Counts

#### AST:

- [1] Personnel
  - [2] Medics/Ambulance
  - [1] Strike Team Leader
- [6] Vehicles
  - [5] Ground Ambulances
  - [1] EMS CMD Vehicle

#### AMST:

- [1+] Personnel
    - [2] Medics /Aircraft  
[+Flight Crew\*]
    - [1] Strike Team Leader
  - [6] Vehicles
    - [5] Air Ambulances
    - [1] EMS CMD Vehicle
- \*Flight Crew is aircraft specific

