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TTX, EOC, ICS & IT; The potpourri of acronyms that kept the government operating during the Suffolk Cyber attack of 2022

Suffolk County officials will provide a brief case study of their September 2022 Ransomware attack and highlight the intersection of emergency management and information technology. County representatives will underscore the importance of cyber preparation, EOC activation, utilization of Incident Command Structure (ICS), and integrated communications to develop a common operating picture and action plans during the event's containment, response, and recovery phases. Officials will also provide a retrospective of lessons learned from their 2019 cyber attack tabletop exercise and compare that with takeaways from their actual 2022 event.

Speaker Biography

Lisa M. Black is the Chief Deputy County Executive in Suffolk County, NY managing the daily operations of a government that serves 1.5 million residents with a \$3+ billion budget and a workforce of 10,000 employees. Appointed by County Executive Steve Bellone in 2017, Ms. Black joined the administration with over two decades of communications, government relations and policy-making experience.

Ms. Black also served two New York City Mayors, Bloomberg and de Blasio, as the Assistant Commissioner of Government and Community Relations for the City's Department of Homeless Services (DHS). Prior to her current employment in Suffolk County, Ms. Black was a member of Governor Andrew M. Cuomo's administration serving as Director of Intergovernmental Affairs

and Senior Advisor for Transportation & Infrastructure at the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES).

As Chief Deputy Suffolk County Executive, Ms. Black led the County's COVID-19 pandemic response and large-scale vaccination efforts, and later its County-wide cyberattack containment and recovery.

Ms. Black was named one of *City Hall News'* Rising Stars: Top 40 under 40, Next Generation of Political Leaders in New York (2007). Lisa has also been recognized by NYC DHS with an Employee Excellence Award (2011) and by the *Herald* Newspapers as a Premier Businesswomen of Long Island Award for Government (2023).