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Donna Boston is the Director of the Orange County Sheriff's Department Emergency Management Division. Donna's career in Emergency Management spans 20 years. She has worked with the Cities of Laguna Niguel and Newport Beach and currently works with the Orange County Sheriff's Department, Emergency Management Division. Her career experience includes managing municipal Emergency Management Plans, public relations programs, City and County Emergency Operations Centers, emergency exercises, grants, community training programs. She serves the Orange County community during emergencies and large scale disaster situations, ensuring the County Emergency Operations Center is effectively responding to critical needs. In her current position, Donna is charged with managing Orange County's Emergency Management Program, including County preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery. Donna has responded to numerous emergencies ranging from floods, landslides, communications outages to major wildland fires and earthquakes.

Donna's educational background is built on a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of California, Davis and a Graduate Degree in Public Policy and Administration (MPA) from the California State University, Long Beach. In the past 20 years, she has attended an extensive amount of training on a variety of subjects related to emergency management and crisis leadership. Donna is also a Certified Emergency Manager (CEM) through the International Association of Emergency Management, served as the 2003 President of the Orange County Emergency Management Organization, and is a past Board Member of the Southern California Emergency Services Association. Donna is currently serving as a Member of the Board of Directors for the Orange County Chapter of the American Red Cross.