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Program/Project Name:	Indiana Building Emergency Assessment and Monitoring Team (I-BEAM)
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Program Summary:

The Indiana Building Emergency Assessment & Monitoring Team (I-BEAM) project provides a deployable, self-sustaining team of properly trained personnel to assist the staff of the division of Fire and Building Code Enforcement in the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) in performing structural assessments of buildings in the event of man-made or natural disasters.

The teams consist of trained volunteers, which include design professionals (architects, engineers, etc.) and other construction professionals with forensic analysis backgrounds. I-BEAM provides for new and continued training, including safety training, and maintains and provides equipment to the volunteers to assist them in their determination of building structural stability.