

National Disaster Recovery Framework



LEADERSHIP

The *National Disaster Recovery Framework* defines strong, focused recovery leadership at the local, state and tribal level- supported by strong federal recovery leadership. The NDRF recommends a new leadership structure:

- Local Disaster Recovery Manager
- State and Tribal and/or Territorial Disaster Recovery Coordinator
- Federal Disaster Recovery Coordinator

COORDINATING STRUCTURE

The NDRF establishes six federal Recovery Support Functions (RSF) that provide a structure to facilitate problem solving, improve access to resources and foster coordination. Each RSF has coordinating and primary Federal agencies and supporting organizations that operate together with State, Local, Tribal and Territorial government officials, nongovernmental organizations and private sector partners.



OVERVIEW

The *National Disaster Recovery Framework* (NDRF) provides guidance that enables effective recovery by defining recommended roles, responsibility, coordination and planning among Federal, States, Local, Tribal and Territorial jurisdictions. It also focuses on how best to restore, redevelop and revitalize the health, social, physical, economic, natural and environmental fabric of the community and build a more resilient Nation.

The NDRF is a scalable, flexible guide that defines:

- Recovery guiding principles and core capabilities;
- Roles and responsibilities of recovery coordinators and other stakeholders;
- The federal support structure
- A coordinating structure that facilitates communication and collaboration;
- Guidance for pre- and post-disaster recovery planning;
- And the overall process by which communities can capitalize on opportunities to rebuild stronger, smarter and safer.

RECOVERY SUPPORT FUNCTIONS

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

Coordinating Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency

ECONOMIC

Coordinating Agency: Department of Commerce

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Coordinating Agency: Department of Health and Human Services

HOUSING

Coordinating Agency: Department of Housing and Urban Development

INFRASTRUCTURE SYSTEMS

Coordinating Agency: United States Army Corps of Engineers

NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

Coordinating Agency: Department of Interior

PLANNING

The NDRF emphasizes planning at all levels for recovery before and after a disaster happens.

PRE-DISASTER RECOVERY PLANNING

Pre-disaster plans provide a common platform to guide recovery decisions and activities and to expedite a unified recovery effort. Pre-disaster recovery planning:

- Establishes roles, responsibilities, and partnership opportunities;
- Lays out recovery priorities and policies;
- Incorporates how hazard mitigation strategies will be addressed;
- And identifies post-disaster planning, processes, and coordination.

POST-DISASTER RECOVERY PLANNING

Post-disaster recovery planning is a post event decision-making process that results in establishment of community vision, goals, initiatives, programs, strategies, and/or projects specific to the incident.

COMMUNITY-FOCUSED RECOVERY

The responsibility of preparing for disaster recovery begins with the individual and builds to the larger responsibility of the community and local government. The local government has the primary role of planning and managing all aspects of the community's recovery. Community planning efforts are supported by voluntary, faith-based and community organizations; private sector; and State, Local, Tribal, Territorial and Federal Governments.



ENSURING SUCCESS AND ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Each community defines successful recovery outcomes differently based on its circumstances, challenges, recovery vision and priorities. The below resources will provide guidance and best practices for your community.

For guidance and resources to help local officials and community leaders to lead, organize, plan for, and manage the complex issues of post-disaster recovery:

<https://www.fema.gov/national-disaster-recovery-framework/community-recovery-management-toolkit>

For best practices and approaches for States, Local, Tribal, and Territorial jurisdictions to help enable a more effective recovery for local communities after an incident of any size or scale: <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/101940>

For more information and to download a copy of the Recovery Framework, go to the National Disaster Recovery Framework (NDRF) Web Portal: <https://www.fema.gov/national-disaster-recovery-framework>



IMPLEMENT THE NATIONAL DISASTER RECOVERY FRAMEWORK IN YOUR COMMUNITY

- ☑ Identify candidates for State/Local/Tribal/Territorial Disaster Recovery Coordinator(s)
- ☑ Reach out to recovery partners and stakeholders
- ☑ Start developing a pre-disaster recovery plan
 - Ensure that your plan includes the “successful recovery factors”
 - Include an assessment of your strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats
- ☑ Organize State/Local/Tribal/Territorial agencies, local private and nonprofit sectors into Recovery Support Functions
- ☑ Develop ways to measure recovery progress



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