

FEMA Response & Recovery

This page is for anyone interested in FEMA agency policies covering response and recovery topics, specifically individual assistance, long-term community recovery, and public assistance.



Response

Response coordinates federal operational and logistical disaster response capability needed to save and sustain lives, minimize suffering, and protect property in a timely and effective manner in communities that become overwhelmed by disasters. Information regarding FEMA's response policies and doctrine are highlighted below.

- Implementation of NIMS and ICS during Response and Recovery Operations
- Establishing FEMA Operational Centers of Excellence
- Emergency Notification System (ENS) Directive

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Recovery

Recovery supports individuals and communities affected by disasters in their efforts to recover. Individual and Public Assistance programs as well as Long Term Community Recovery efforts assist individuals and communities in FEMA's collective effort to prepare for, respond to, and recover from all hazards.

Individual Assistance

Individual Assistance (IA) programs help individuals and households recover from all hazards. These programs provide and/or coordinate emergency housing, financial and direct assistance, assistance to address other needs, disaster unemployment assistance, disaster legal services, crisis counseling, and disaster case management for disaster survivors. Information regarding FEMA's individual assistance policies and doctrine are highlighted below.

- [Disaster Recovery Centers-Services and Providers](#)

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Long-Term Community Recovery

The Long Term Community Recovery (LTCR) program helps disaster-impacted communities in their recovery efforts by assisting communities in (1) collectively identifying their long-term recovery vision; and (2) identifying and coordinating resources and funding sources to support the long-term recovery vision. LTCR also builds federal, state, and local capacity for sustaining recovery efforts by facilitating partnerships for implementation of recovery activities and for use in future disasters. Information regarding FEMA's long-term community recovery policies and doctrine are highlighted below.

- [National Disaster Recovery Framework](#)

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Public Assistance

The Public Assistance program provides assistance to state, tribal, and local governments, as well as certain private nonprofit organizations, to help repair and rebuild public infrastructure, and to help pay for the cost of debris removal and emergency protective measures. Information regarding FEMA's public assistance policies are found in the [Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide](#).

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