

# International Recovery Forum

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## Agenda

- Introduction
- National Disaster Recovery Framework
- Whole of Community Approach to Catastrophic Planning
- National Level Exercise 2011:  
New Madrid Seismic Zone Earthquake



## National Disaster Recovery Framework

- Expands Emergency Support Function #14,  
Long-Term Community Recovery
  - which coordinates resources of Federal agencies to support the long-term recovery of States and communities



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- Describes key recovery principles
  - Individual and Family Empowerment
  - Leadership and Local Primacy
  - Pre-Disaster Planning
  - Partnerships and Inclusiveness
  - Public Information
  - Unity of Effort
  - Timeliness and flexibility
  - Resilience and Sustainability
  - Psychological and Emotional Recovery



## National Disaster Recovery Framework

- Defines recovery roles and responsibilities for individuals and households, local, State, and Federal governments, non-profit organization, and the private sector.



## National Disaster Recovery Framework

- Establishes a Federal Disaster Recovery Coordinator
  - Facilitates disaster recovery coordination and collaboration between the Federal interagency and local, State, and Tribal governments, the private sector, and voluntary, faith-based, and community organizations
  
- Recommends the appointment of State Disaster Recovery Coordinators and Local Recovery Managers



## Whole of Community Approach to Catastrophic Planning



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- This initiative is focused on improving our nation's resilience to catastrophic disasters by increasing partnerships with the "Whole of Community"
  - Includes national emergency management, public health, security, law enforcement, critical infrastructure, medical communities, Federal, State, Tribal and local officials, private sector, non-governmental organizations, voluntary agencies, social and fraternal groups and individuals



## Whole of Community Approach to Catastrophic Planning

- "Maximum of Maximums" catastrophic disaster scenario
  - No-notice event
  - Impact area
    - Approximately 7 million population
    - 25,000 square miles
    - Several states
  - 190,000 fatalities in initial hours
  - 265,000 citizens require emergency medical attention
  - Severe damage to critical infrastructure and key resources
  - Severe damage to essential transportation infrastructure
  - Ingress/egress options limited



## Whole of Community Approach to Catastrophic Planning

- The Whole of Community Approach to Catastrophic Planning will evaluate ways
  - To stabilize an affected community within 72 hours
  - To restore basic services within 60 days.



## Whole of Community Framework for Catastrophic Planning

These centers of gravity represent the highest priority essential functions necessary for both saving and sustaining lives, and stabilizing the site and the situation within 72 hours.

- ENABLES RESPONSE*
- I. Situational Assessment
  - II. Public Messaging
  - III. Command, Control, & Coordination
  - IV. Critical Communications
  - V. Environmental Health & Safety
  - VI. Critical Transportation



- SURVIVORS NEEDS*
- I. On-Scene Security and Protection
  - II. Mass Search and Rescue Operations
  - III. Health and Medical Treatment
  - IV. Mass Care Services
  - V. Public & Private Services & Resources
  - VI. Stabilize and Repair Essential Infrastructure
  - VII. Fatality Management Services

## National Level Exercise 2011

- Used to test plans and frameworks in a catastrophic scenario
- Will test the Whole of Community initiative
- Test core elements of the National Disaster Recovery Framework



**Thank you**

