



Post-Disaster Recovery

Alachua County Emergency Management

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Agenda

- Immediate post-disaster recovery
- FEMA Programs
- Addressing short-term needs
- Housing
- Community engagement



Post-Disaster Needs Assessment

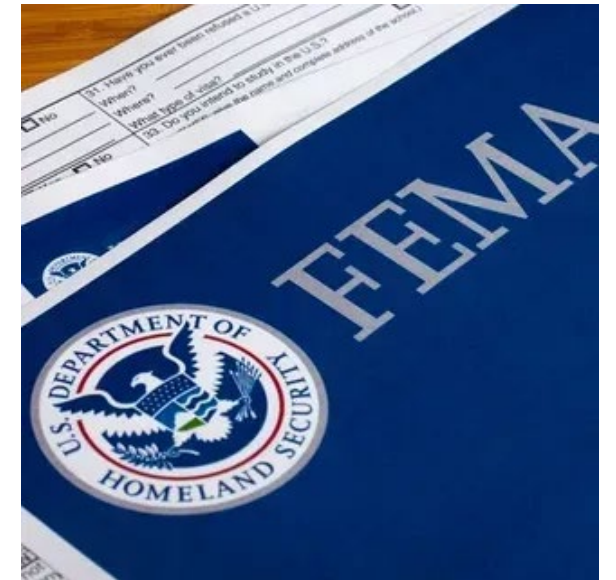
- Data gathering from multiple sources
 - Initial notification to residents to submit unmet needs and damages
 - Intelligence gathering from Combined Communications Center, 311
 - County damage assessment teams
 - Post-disaster needs assessment teams
- Continual assessment of unmet needs as we move through recovery to adjust our operations accordingly

Request for State/Federal Assistance

- Based on information gathered from residents, damage assessments, and estimated expenditures, Alachua County will request:
 - Inclusion in the Presidential Major Disaster Declaration for all relevant categories of Public and Individual Assistance
 - Hurricanes: Typically included in pre-landfall declaration, federal funding limited to emergency protective measures, no funding for individuals
 - Inclusion in declaration will open up funding reimbursement for government/non-profit disaster work (PA) and funding for Alachua County residents (IA)
 - Federal disaster housing programs
 - Establishment of Disaster Recovery Center(s)
 - Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA)

FEMA Individual Assistance

- Assistance available to survivors
- FEMA Individual Assistance (IA) improvements
 - Serious Needs Assistance: Money for essential items (food, formula, medication, etc.)
 - Expanded eligibility
 - Removed SBA application requirement
 - Assistance for underinsured individuals
 - Home repair assistance regardless of pre-disaster condition
 - Simplified assistance for self-employed
 - Simplified application process
 - Removed barriers for late applications
 - Simplified appeals process



Disaster Recovery Centers

- Locations: Alachua County Libraries
- FEMA
 - Assistance with applying for federal disaster assistance
 - Update on application status
- Small Business Administration
 - Low interest loans for individuals and businesses
- Veterans Services
 - Veteran-specific information and resources
- Department of Children and Families (DCF)
 - WIC, SNAP information
 - Disaster behavioral health
- Tax Collector
 - Drivers license replacement
- Community Support Services
 - Counseling
 - Case management resources



Meeting Short-Term Needs

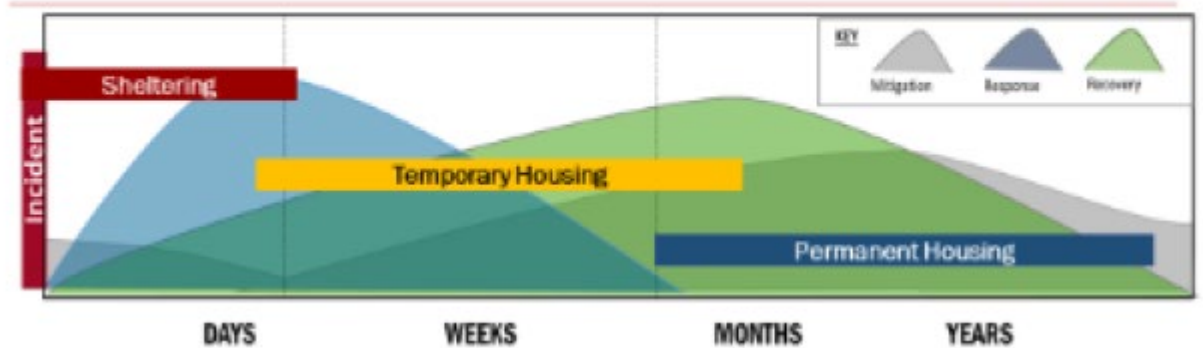
- Alachua County Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD)
 - Faith-based
 - Non-profits
 - Government agencies
 - Private for-profit
- Food & Water
 - Points of Distribution
 - Mobile kitchens/feeding operations
 - Disaster Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (DSNAP)
 - SNAP recipients will receive additional benefits on their card
 - Individuals who don't receive SNAP can apply for DSNAP to receive food assistance



Housing

- Immediate
 - Sheltering
 - Risk shelters (hurricanes)
 - Recovery shelters
- Temporary Housing
 - Transitional Sheltering Assistance (TSA) - up to 180 days in hotel
 - FEMA Rental Assistance (individuals whose primary residence was damaged)
 - FEMA Direct Temporary Housing
- Permanent Housing
 - Insurance
 - FEMA home repair assistance

Evolution of Recovery Issues: Housing



Community Engagement

- As we plan to spend federal recovery dollars, we will seek input from our community
- Recovery activities will occur with a constant focus on meeting community needs through the lens of equity
 - Resources required in one community may not be what is needed in another community
 - Opportunity to address underinvestment in specific communities during recovery
- Address economic recovery when developing infrastructure projects
- Continually evaluate ways to ensure we are making our whole community aware of the resources available to them

Questions?

