

Handout 7-3: Recovery Continuum

Prediaster Preparedness Examples:

- Predisaster recovery planning.
- Mitigation planning and implementation.
- Community capacity and resilience building.
- Conducting disaster preparedness exercises.
- Partnership building.
- Articulating protocols in disaster plans for services to meet the emotional and health care needs of adults and children

Short-Term Recovery Examples:

- Mass Care/Sheltering
 - Provide integrated mass care and emergency services.
- Debris
 - Clear primary transportation routes.
- Utility Infrastructure
 - Re-establish electrical distribution system.
 - Re-establish potable water system.
 - Re-establish sanitary waste water system.
- Business
 - Establish temporary or interim infrastructure to support business reopenings.
 - Reestablish cash flow.
- Emotional/Psychological
 - Identify adults and children who would benefit from counseling or behavioral health services and begin treatment.
- Public Health and Health Care
 - Provide emergency and temporary medical care and establish appropriate surveillance protocols.
- Mitigation Activities
 - Assess and understand risks and vulnerabilities.

Intermediate Recovery Examples:

- Housing
 - Provide accessible interim and housing solutions.
- Debris/Infrastructure
 - Initiate debris removal.
 - Plan immediate infrastructure repair and restoration.
- Business
 - Support reestablishment of businesses where appropriate.
 - Support the establishment of business recovery one-stop centers.
- Emotional/Psychological
 - Engage support networks for ongoing care.
- Public Health and Health Care
 - Ensure continuity of care through temporary facilities.
- Mitigation Activities
 - Inform community members of opportunities to build back stronger.

Long-Term Recovery

- Housing
 - Develop permanent housing solutions.
- Infrastructure
 - Rebuild infrastructure to meet future community needs.
- Business
 - Implement economic revitalization strategies.
 - Facilitate funding to business rebuilding.
- Emotional/Psychological
 - Followup for ongoing counseling, behavioral health, and case management services.
- Public Health and Health Care
 - Reestablishment of disrupted health care facilities.
- Mitigation Activities
 - Implement mitigation strategies.