



Recovery Resource Catalog: Training, Toolkits, Technical Assistance for Local Governments

			Housing	Infrastructure	Econ. Dev.	Resiliency	Recovery Planning	Health/Human Svcs	Mitigation	Engagement	Contracting	Finance	Grants	Human Resources	All Topics
Time Sensitive Offerings	Format	Dates													
Regional Financial Assistance Workshop - TX	In Person Training	10/3, 10/10, 11/7, 12/12, 1/9		X			X		X			X	X		
Disaster Resiliency Workshops – Economic Development Focus - TX	In Person Training	10/16, 10/17, 10/18, 10/19			X										
Create Comprehensive Plans that Rock with Resident Input	Webinar	10/19, 2:00pm – 3:00pm EST					X			X					
Lots of Potential: Vacant Land Reuse 101	Webinar	10/26, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EST	X		X		X								
Re-Forming Your Comprehensive Plan	In Person Training	10/31, 9:30am – 1:00pm EST	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						
Managing Your Land Development Regulations - FL	In Person Training	10/31, 1:30am – 4:30pm EST	X		X	X	X		X						
Using Health Impact Assessment to Improve Our Communities	Webinar	11/1, 1:00pm – 2:30pm EST	X		X		X	X		X					
Hurricane Irma: Lessons Learned on Planning, Mitigating and Recovering - FL	In Person Training	11/3, 9:00am – 1:00pm					X		X						
Cultivating Strong Towns – TX	In Person Training	11/ 4, 7:45am – 5:45pm CDT	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X	
Ongoing Resources	Format	Dates													
GSA's Disaster Purchasing Program	In Person Training	By Request									X	X			
Safety Assessment Program (SAP) Training	In Person Training	By Request	X	X	X	X	X								
Public Participation and Community Revitalization	In Person Training	By Request					X			X					
CDBG Basics: Training for Practitioners	In Person Training	By Request	X	X	X		X				X	X	X		
Implementing and Managing Long-Term Recovery: A Training for Local Governments	In Person Training	By Request					X			X	X	X	X	X	
Better Built Communities Start with Code Improvements	In Person Training	By Request	X	X		X	X		X	X		X			
Nonstructural Flood Risk Adaptive Measures Workshop	In Person Training	By Request	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X				
Public Participation or Involvement, Community Visioning, and/or Risk Communications	In Person Training	By Request					X			X					

Ongoing Resources	Format	Date													All Topics		
			Housing	Infrastructure	Econ. Dev.	Resiliency	Recovery Planning	Health/Human Svcs	Mitigation	Engagement	Contracting	Finance	Grants	Human Resources			
Environmental Sustainable Business	In Person Training	By Request			X	X	X										
Environmental Sustainability Planning and Assessment	In Person Training	By Request				X	X	X									
NHMA Workshops on Resilience and Disaster Risk Reduction	In Person Training	By Request	X	X	X	X	X		X								
Implementing and Digital Historic Preservation Survey and Assessment for Disaster Response	In Person Training	By Request	X		X		X										
GIS for Cultural Resources: An Introduction	In Person Training	By Request	X		X		X										
Historic Preservation and Hazard Mitigation Planning	In Person Training	By Request	X				X		X								
Historic Preservation and Certified Local Governments	In Person Training	By Request	X		X												
Rural and Small Systems Sustainable Utility Management	In Person Training	By Request		X		X											
Florida City/County Management Association	Webinars	Anytime					X				X	X	X				
Florida Association of City Clerks	Webinars	Anytime								X	X						
Florida League of Cities	Webinars	Anytime													X		
Texas Rebuilds: Comm Dev & Revitalization, Texas General Land Office	Webinars	Anytime	X								X	X	X				
Texas Comptroller	Webinars	Anytime									X						
Texas Municipal League	Webinars	Anytime								X							
Texas Association of Local Housing Finance Agencies	Webinars	Anytime	X				X				X						
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension	Webinars	Anytime				X	X		X	X							
Texas Commission on the Arts	Webinars	Anytime					X			X							
V.G. Young Institute of County Government	Webinars	Anytime									X		X				

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EDA (Economic Development Administration)	Webinars	Anytime			X					X		X				
HUD (Housing and Urban Development)	Webinars	Anytime	X		X						X	X	X			
FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency)	Webinars	Anytime														X
International City/County Management Association	Webinars	Anytime	X	X			X		X						X	
National Association of Development Organizations	Webinars	Anytime									X					
APA (American Planning Association)	Webinars	Anytime														X
The Foundation Center	Webinars	Anytime														X
National Hazard Mitigation Association	Webinars	Anytime				X	X		X							
National Charrette Institute	Webinars	Anytime					X			X						
SmartGrowth Online	Webinars	Anytime			X		X									
GIS Maps & Data	Toolkit	Anytime	X	X	X	X	X	X	X							
CDBG-DR Toolkit	Toolkit	Anytime	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	
Community Recovery Management Toolkit	Toolkit	Anytime					X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
Community Facilities Infrastructure Toolkit	Toolkit	Anytime		X			X				X	X	X			
APA Post-Disaster Recovery Briefs	Toolkit	Anytime														X
Emergency Management Virtual Toolkit for Education Agencies Serving K-12 Schools	Toolkit	Anytime														
Community Planning Assistance Teams	Other Technical Assistance	By Request	X		X	X	X			X					X	

Ongoing Resources	Format	Date	Recovery Issues						Management Topics					All Topics	
			Housing	Infrastructure	Econ. Dev.	Resiliency	Recovery Planning	Health/Human Svcs	Mitigation	Engagement	Contracting	Finance	Grants		Human Resources
The Safety Assessment Program	Other Technical Assistance	By Request	X	X	X	X	X		X						
State-led Silver Jackets Team	Other Technical Assistance	By Request				X	X		X	X			X		
NMHA Peer Consults	Other Technical Assistance	By Request				X	X		X						
International Economic Development Council	Other Technical Assistance	By Request			X										

TIME SENSITIVE OFFERINGS - MUST REGISTER

Course Title: Regional Financial Assistance Workshop – TEXAS SPECIFIC RESOURCE

Date: November 7, December 12, January 9 [Register Here](#)

Location: Various cities

Description: The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) is pleased to invite you to a new style of workshop that provides valuable information while allowing for more one-on-one opportunities to discuss your project needs. Your Regional Project Team, along with TWDB Program Coordinators, will be at the workshops to discuss specific projects and answer any questions you may have.

- Brief but informative overview of the TWDB and the types of financing available
- Handouts and helpful resources pertaining to TWDB financial programs
- One-on-One meetings with TWDB staff to explore funding options for your projects

Format: In person training

Delivery: Workshop with 1 on 1 assistance

Cost: Free but must register

Audience: Local and regional government staff and officials, urban planners, public works and infrastructure managers, economic development officials, municipal financial managers, local community stakeholders

Group Offering: American Planning Association

Contact: http://www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs/swift/regional_project_teams.asp

Course Title: Texas Disaster Resiliency Workshops – Economic Development Focus – TEXAS SPECIFIC RESOURCE

Dates:

- Oct. 16 – Victoria Chamber of Commerce
- Oct. 17 – Bay City Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture
- Oct. 18 – Houston Northwest Chamber of Commerce
- Oct. 19 – Galveston Regional Chamber of Commerce

[Register Here](#)

Description: No business can tolerate downtime, regardless of the circumstances. IBM understands this, so to help small and medium-sized businesses (SMBs) recover after disaster strikes – and to assist particularly following Hurricanes Harvey and Irma – IBM is offering recovery support to SMBs in affected areas through a partnership with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation. IBM Resiliency Services deliver business continuity and disaster recovery capabilities as well as cloud solutions to support your business across all environments, particularly during this time of recovery. The following two services are available at no charge, through a grant from IBM.

Workshop participants will work with IBM resiliency and business continuity experts to start applying continuity planning concepts that can help develop a recovery and continuity-of-operations plan. This plan will include considerations for future, longer-term preparedness.

Delivery: In person

Format: Workshop

Course Title: Create Comprehensive Plans that Rock with Resident Input

Date: October 19, 2:00pm – 3:00pm EST, [Register Here](#)

Description: For National Community Planning month, we focus on creating successful comprehensive plans that residents feel a sense of ownership about and have a stake in the outcomes. On this call, you'll hear from three planners who got residents involved through the Community Heart & Soul model. Learn how community engagement leads to meaningful comprehensive plans that align vision and actions based on what matters most to residents. Format: Webinar. Live Panel Discussion

Cost: Free but must register

Format: Webinar

Audience: Local Government staff and officials, Urban and Regional Planners, Community Developers, Community Advocates

Group Offering: Orton Family Foundation-Community Development – Heart and Soul program

Contact: programs@orton.org

Course Title: Lots of Potential: Vacant Land Reuse 101

Date: October 26, 12:00pm – 1:00pm EST, [Register Here](#)

Description: Maybe houses were demolished—one, or dozens, or many, many more. Or a factory moved out of town and its buildings were knocked down. Perhaps both! Whatever the reason, your community finds itself with a surplus of vacant land. What does it take to develop an effective plan for

vacant land reuse – and how can you translate that plan into action? This webinar will walk you through the foundations of vacant land reuse planning and implementation. It will explore the roles of data, policy, and processes, community engagement, project design, and maintenance. And because vacant land often exists in the context of historic (and continuing) power imbalances that prevent some groups from accessing, or having a say in, vacant land reuse, the process will focus on equity, and meeting community needs, at all stages. You'll walk away with a clearer sense of next steps to develop a vacant land reuse strategy in your community.

Cost: \$45

Format: Webinar

Audience: Local Government staff and officials, Urban and Regional Planners, Community Developers, Community Advocates

Group Offering: Center for Community Progress

Contact: Justin Godard, jgodard@communityprogress.net

Course Title: Re-Forming Your Comprehensive Plan – FLORIDA SPECIFIC RESOURCE

Date: October 31, 8:30am – Noon EST, [Register Here](#)

Description: Evaluating your Comprehensive Plan. Explore guidelines and techniques for improving the tools for planning and growth management. Organizing and writing your Comprehensive Plan. Learn about guidelines and techniques for improving your comprehensive plan. Each local government in Florida is required to adopt and maintain a comprehensive plan that meets the requirements of Chapter 163 F.S. The effectiveness of these plans is greatly enhanced through a logical and understandable organization and the application of sound drafting techniques and protocols.

Cost: \$75

Format: In-person training

Audience: Local Government staff and officials, Urban and Regional Planners, Community and Economic Development professionals

Group Offering: Florida Association of Counties

Contact: Becky Berentsen, bberentsen@fl-counties.com

Course Title: Managing Your Land Development Regulations - FLORIDA SPECIFIC RESOURCE

Date: October 31, 1:30pm – 4:30pm EST, [Register Here](#)

Description: Explore guidelines and techniques for the writing of land development regulations. “When you are writing laws, you are testing words to find their utmost power (Mantel)”. You are writing for posterity – be clear and concise. Organization and Formatting. Drafting Goals. Drafting Guidelines. Who should draft ordinances?

The development review process is a central and indispensable part of every community’s planning and growth management system. The complexity of land development regulations in Florida place a high premium on efficiency, consistency and predictability. Share your experiences and lessons learned with your peers on the following topics

Cost: \$75

Format: In-person training

Audience: Local Government staff and officials, Building Code and Zoning Review Staff, Urban and Regional Planners, Community Developers

Group Offering: Florida Association of Counties

Contact: Becky Berentsen, bberentsen@fl-counties.com

Course Title: [Using Health Impact Assessment to Improve Our Communities](#)

Date: November 1, 1:00pm – 2:30pm EST, [Register Here](#)

Description: The use of Health Impact Assessment (HIA) has grown substantially over the past decade, with much of the practice taking place in response to proposed policies and projects in the fields of urban planning and transportation. Join us for a comprehensive review of how HIA has been used in planning, and how you could apply principles of the practice in your everyday work. Anna Ricklin, AICP, will share results from a national scan of planning-related HIAs and present a simple toolkit for local planners to use to think more systematically about health. In Kane County, IL, proposed policies on farmland preservation triggered the Growing for Kane HIA, developed in collaboration with community members and partners from across sectors. Jackie Forbes, a planner with the Kane County, will share the experience of the process, the results and the actions that followed.

Cost: free

Format: Webinar

Audience: Local Government staff and officials, Health and Human Services professionals, Urban and Regional Planners, Community Developers

Group Offering: SmartGrowth Online

Contact: Heather Poston, heather.poston@maryland.gov

Course Title: [Hurricane Irma: Lessons Learned on Planning, Mitigating and Recovering](#)

FLORIDA SPECIFIC RESOURCE

Date: November 3, 9:00am-1:00pm EST, [Register Here](#)

Description: Hurricane Irma was the first category 3 or above hurricane to reach the Florida mainland since Wilma in 2005. Like Irma, Wilma also made landfall in the greater Naples area. Unlike Wilma, Irma was a massive storm, referred as one of the biggest and strongest Atlantic Hurricanes ever to hit the United States. How do cities and counties prepare to deal with disasters like this? What efforts are undertaken to mitigate the potential damage created by such a storm, and what and why are certain recovery efforts implemented? A panel of seasoned professional local government managers in Southwest Florida will discuss these issues and more. They will cover lessons learned throughout their careers and offer specific perspectives regarding Irma. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions and to offer their own stories during this extraordinary program.

Cost: \$49-\$74

Format: In-person training

Audience: Local Government staff and officials

Group Offering: Florida City County Management Association, Co-Sponsored by FGCU ICMA Student Chapter

Contact: Carol Russell, crussell@flcities.com

Course Title: Cultivating Strong Towns – TEXAS SPECIFIC RESOURCE

Date: Sat, November 4, 2017, 7:45 AM – 5:45 PM CDT, [Register Here](#)

Location: Frisco, TX

Description: Putting Strong Towns & incremental development principles into practice. Join us for a one-day crash course on practical first steps to overcoming the status quo and growing community capital.

- Building Strong Towns
- ROI-based planning
- Incremental development through small projects
- Neighborhood cultivation and becoming a small developer
- Local workforce development and apprenticeship programs
- Economic gardening
- Tactical activation and citizen engagement
- The new government model: Syncing and simplifying plans, codes, internal development processes/policies

Format: In-person, workshop

Cost: \$150

Audience: Mayors, City Managers, City Department Heads

Group Offering: Cultivate Collaborative

Contact: events@cultivatecollaborative.org

ONGOING RESOURCES

IN PERSON TRAINING

Course Title: GSA's Disaster Purchasing Program

How to Leverage the Federal Government's Buying Power in Preparation, Response, and Recovery to a Natural Disaster

Description: This course provides an overview of the Government Service's Administration (GSA) Disaster Purchasing Program for state and local governments. It outlines the details of the program and provides a tutorial on how to buy supplies and services from all GSA Schedule Contracts to facilitate recovery from a major disaster.

Format: Classroom with lecture and discussion

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: 1.0 Hour to up to 1/2 day, depending on needs and discussion

Audience: State, City, County, and Municipal Governments; State-funded Independent School Districts, Colleges, and Universities.

Cost: Free

Group Offering: GSA - Customer and Stakeholder Engagement Office

Contact: Mark King, mark.king@gsa.gov, 512-364-3298

Course Title: Safety Assessment Program (SAP) Training

Description: The AIA building Safety-Assessment Program (SAP) training provides building officials, architects, and engineers nationwide with the technical knowledge and protocol to assess the safety, habitability and condition of buildings, and infrastructure in the aftermath of a disaster. Instructors of this all-hazards course share experiences from the field and walk attendees through interactive case studies demonstrating common damage and safety precautions. Qualified professionals will receive a Building Evaluator certificate and ID card from the State of California and Applied Technology Council field manual, and will be able to deploy into the field as a volunteer or through mutual aid assistance.

Format: Workshop

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: Full day

Audience: Certified building officials and inspectors; Licensed architects; civil, structural, and geotechnical engineers

Cost: Varies

Group Offering: American Institute of Architects (AIA) Disaster Assistance

Contact: Rachel Minnery, rachelminnery@aia.org, (202) 626 7329

Course Title: Public Participation and Community Revitalization

Description: Course provides overview of public participation demands, P2 frameworks, process design and technique selection, communications, lessons learned from major recent disaster experiences, and best practice case studies on successful community transformations.

Format: Workshop

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: Half-day/Full-day

Audience: Municipal staff and Elected Officials, civic institutions, community stakeholders and non-profit leaders

Cost: Free

Group Offering: Center for Communities by Design, American Institute of Architects

Contact: Joel Mills, Senior Director, Center for Communities by Design, (202) 626-7405, joelmills@aia.org

Course Title: CDBG Basics: Training for Practitioners

Description: The course will provide a basic, but comprehensive overview of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. This course will provide a hands-on approach to learning the program through lecture and in-class exercises. Course participants will learn how to read the

regulations, how to determine timeliness in spending CDBG funds, what activities are eligible under the program, how to document national objectives, and how to calculate Low-Mod Income (LMI) benefit. Participants will also learn important program definitions, the components of the Consolidated Plan and the Annual Action Plan, what's covered under the administration and planning activities, and grantee responsibility for monitoring sub-recipients. Class participants will also learn the difference between a sub-recipient, contractor, and a Community-Based Development Organization (CBDO) and their roles, as outlined in the regulations. Class participants will learn important financial administration information related to program management and other federal cross-cutting regulations related to the program.

Format: Classroom with lecture and discussion

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: 3 Days

Audience: Local Governments receiving or applying for CDBG funding

Cost: \$350 for members/\$450 for non-members

Group Offering: National Community Development Association

Contact: Steve Gartrell, sgartrell@ncdaonline.org

Course Title: [Implementing and Managing Long-Term Recovery: A Training for Local Governments](#)

Description: Provides an introduction to recovery implementation, offering a survey of what's needed to manage and achieve long term recovery from a local government perspective. Ideally, the class is taken after a community has created a Recovery Plan or has determined which recovery projects it would like to implement.

Format: Workshop with lecture and discussion

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: ½ day to full day depending on needs of community and time allotted for discussion

Audience: Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Municipal Finance Officer, Municipal Project Manager, Non-municipal stakeholders active on Recovery Steering Committees

Cost: Free

Group Offering: FEMA – Community Planning and Capacity Building (CPCB) Recovery Support Function (RSF)

Contact: Michael Gumpert, michael.gumpert@fema.dhs.gov 720-415-6499

Course Title: [Better Built Communities Start with Code Improvements](#)

Description: This course is meant to increase the resiliency of a community through the short- and long-term recovery process after a disaster. Ideally, this training is taken when a community is ready to adopt building codes for the local rebuilding process. It promotes the Coastal Construction Code Supplement that was created by community leaders and Building Code Officials in Coastal Alabama to close the gap between existing building codes and the Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety's (IBHS) FORTIFIED Home™ Technical Standards. It is meant to be adopted in addition to local building codes and includes the recommendations of the IBHS construction method, FORTIFIED Home™. This supplemental code is updated regularly by IBHS to keep it current based on the latest science and testing conducted at its research Institute. These additions have been proven to greatly improve the performance of a home during hurricanes and wind-driven rain, by reducing damage, insurance costs and losses during severe weather events.

Format: Training with lecture and discussion; follow-up certifications possible

Delivery: In-person (or webinar)

Class Duration: ½ day to full day depending on needs of community and time allotted for discussion

Audience: Mayor, Deputy Mayor, City Manager, City Council Members, County Commissioners, County Supervisors, Alderpersons, Planning Director, Building Official, Municipal Project Manager, Non-municipal stakeholders active on Recovery Steering Committees

Group Offering: Smart Home America and Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety

Cost: Free

Contact: Henry “Hank” Hodde, hank@smarthomeamerica.org, 251-206-5634

Course Title: Nonstructural Flood Risk Adaptive Measures Workshop

Description: Workshop provides an understanding of physical and nonphysical flood risk adaptive measures such as elevation, flood proofing, acquisition/relocation, public alert warning, evacuation planning, emergency preparedness planning, and other tools for reducing flood risk and life loss, expediting future flood event recovery, and increasing resiliency.

Format: Classroom workshop with PowerPoint presentations, lectures, and open discussion

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: 4-, 6-, or 8- hours depending on educational desires of State and local officials

Audience: State Hazard Mitigation Officials, State floodplain administrators, community officials, interested residents and business owners.

Cost: Free

Group Offering: USACE NFPC (USACE National Nonstructural Flood Proofing Committee)

Contact: Randall Behm, Randall.I.behm@usace.army.mil, 402-995-2322

Course Title: Public Participation or Involvement, Community Visioning and/or Risk Communication

Description: Provides training in use of collaborative tools and processes to use internally or externally, training in or development of public involvement and outreach approaches, working with a community to develop a community vision for recovery, supporting community planning efforts, etc.

Format: Webinar, workshops, public meeting, brownbag, etc.

Delivery: In-person or webinar

Class Duration: 1 hour to one-week, depending on needs of community and time allotted for discussion

Audience: Community staff and elected officials

Cost: Free

Group Offering: USACE Institute for Water Resources, Collaboration and Public Participation Center of Expertise

Contact: Melanie Ellis, Regional Outreach Coordinator for the USACE Southwestern Division at Melanie.J.Ellis@usace.army.mil

Course Title: Environmentally Sustainable Business

Description: Provides an introduction to the concepts of environmental sustainability, sustainable business case studies, and sustainability plan development. Ideally, the class information is incorporated early in business recovery and rebuilding.

Format: Workshop with lecture and discussion

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: ½ day to full day depending on needs of community and time allotted for discussion

Audience: Business owners

Cost: Free

Group Offering: DHS-IP-Infrastructure Development and Recovery

Contact: Cherie Peacock, cherie.peacock@hq.dhs.gov, 703-235-2531

Course Title: Environmental Sustainability Planning and Assessment

Description: Provides an introduction to the concepts of environmental sustainability and how to develop and implement a sustainability plan for municipal government including carbon accounting and greenhouse gas emissions reduction. Ideally, the class information is incorporated early in recovery planning.

Format: Workshop with lecture and discussion

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: ½ day to full day depending on needs of community and time allotted for discussion

Audience: City government including mayors, financial officers, fleet and facilities managers

Cost: Free

Group Offering: DHS-IP-Infrastructure Development and Recovery

Contact: Cherie Peacock, cherie.peacock@hq.dhs.gov, 703-235-2531

Course Title: Natural Hazard Mitigation Association (NHMA) Workshops on Resilience and Disaster Risk Reduction

Description: NHMA (National Hazard Mitigation Association) workshops include expert presentations, tools and resources, and team-building exercises. Presentations are custom-tailored to help you improve your community's safety and resilience and to identify issues for resolution and implementation in mitigation plans and projects.

We focus on "Tools You Can Use;" and is based on the NHMA Disaster Risk Reduction Curriculum.

Workshops topics are selected to enable your organization to learn about and apply the latest mitigation practices best suited to your particular community.

Workshops may be short, one-day presentations, or two- to three-days. A Workshop may focus on only one topic (e.g., legal aspects), or may include a broader spectrum, e.g., multi-hazards, sustainable and resilient development.

Format: In person workshop

Delivery: In person

Audience: Whole Community: officials, floodplain managers, planners, developers and all others involved in community development and redevelopment decision-making

Cost: Varies depending on length, travel costs and number of instructors

Group Offering: Natural Hazard Mitigation Association and the Resilient Neighbors Network
Contact: Kim Thiele, nathazma@gmail.com. Website: www.nhma.info

Course Title: Implementing and Digital Historic Preservation Survey and Assessment for Disaster Response

Description: Provides an introduction to response and recovery implementation of a digital historic preservation survey and assessment strategy following a disaster. Using GIS and GPS tools, the strategy, based on one implemented following Hurricane Katrina, focuses on developing a fast and efficient data collection/exchange to help document and assess the condition of historic resources, facilitating the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 obligations of jurisdictions. In addition the fully developed methodology addresses the documentation of resources through accurate GPS data collection for mitigation purposes.

Format: Workshop with lecture and discussion

Delivery: In-person or webinar

Class Duration: ½ day to full day depending on needs of the audience and time allotted for discussion

Audience: Incident command team members, cultural resource specialists, recovery/response team members (federal, state and local)

Cost: Free

Group Offering: NPS - Cultural Resource GIS Facility, https://www.nps.gov/crgis/crgis_guidelines.htm

Contact: Deidre McCarthy, deidre_mccarthy@nps.gov, 202-354-2141

Course Title: GIS for Cultural Resources: An Introduction

Description: These two training courses complement each other, but can be taken independently from each other. The Introduction course provides a basic understanding of GIS functionality as applied to cultural resource management in general. The Advanced course provides a discussion of emerging concepts and approaches to applying GIS/GPS/Mobile Mapping to cultural resources. Both courses use ESRI ArcGIS technology and software.

Format: Workshop with lecture and discussion

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: 2 full days for the Introduction course; 1 full day for the Advanced course depending on needs of the audience and time allotted for discussion

Audience: Incident command team members, cultural resource specialists, recovery/response team members (federal, state and local)

Cost: Free

Group Offering: NPS - Cultural Resource GIS Facility, <https://www.nps.gov/crgis/training.htm>

Contact: Deidre McCarthy, deidre_mccarthy@nps.gov, 202-354-2141

Course Title: Historic Preservation and Hazard Mitigation Planning

Description: An introduction to historic preservation concerns and hazard mitigation planning. Explains how a community can focus on their National Register of Historic Places listed, or eligible properties to

prioritize risk due to various natural events. Discussion of how Hazard Mitigation plans function and efforts to integrate cultural resources concerns into such a plan, to help prepare for the next event.

Format: Lecture, 45 minutes

Delivery: In-person, possibly web-based

Audience: Local governments, commission staff, residents

Cost: Free

Group Offering: NPS- State, Tribal, Local Plans and Grants Division

Contact: Megan Brown, megan_brown@nps.gov (202) 354-2062

Course Title: Historic Preservation and Certified Local Governments

Description: An introduction to the Certified Local Government program. Jointly administered by the National Park Service (NPS) and the State Historic Preservation Offices (SHPOs), each local community works through a certification process to become recognized as a Certified Local Government (CLG). Once certified CLGs become an active partner in the Federal Historic Preservation Program. Local, State, and Federal governments work together to help communities save the irreplaceable historic character of places. Participants will learn about the certification process and understand the fiscal and technical support assistance available.

Format: Lecture, 45 minutes

Delivery: In-person, possibly web-based

Audience: Local governments, commission staff

Cost: Free

Group Offering: NPS- State, Tribal, Local Plans and Grants Division

Contact: Megan Brown, megan_brown@nps.gov (202) 354-2062

Course Title: Rural and Small Systems Sustainable Utility Management

Description: This workshop will help utilities address a full range of challenges and move toward sustainable management of their operations and infrastructure, including how to deliver increasingly efficient, and higher quality services; how to improve long-term sustainability and increase resiliency; and how to use the Small Systems Guidebook to Sustainable Utility Management to make improvements at your system. Utilities will learn how to make improvements in ten key management areas, at a pace consistent with their most pressing challenges.

Format: Workshop with lecture, discussion and group exercises

Delivery: In-person

Class Duration: full day (@7 hours)

Audience: Utility Managers, Town Managers, Elected Officials and other Community Leaders

Cost: Free

Group Offering: USDA RD – Community Planning and Capacity Building (CPCB) Recovery Support Function (RSF)

Contact: You may contact a Technical Assistance Provider in your state or region:

National Rural Water Association: <https://nrwa.org/state-associations/>

Rural Community Assistance Partnership: <https://rcap.org/getting-assistance/>

SELF GUIDED TRAINING

Course Title: [Community Facilities Infrastructure Toolkit: USDA Rural Development's Community Facilities Programs' guide to infrastructure development](#)

Description: Provides guidance through the Concept Development, Planning, Design, Environmental Compliance, Finance and Construction phase of essential community facility infrastructure developments located in communities with a population not in excess of 20,000

Format: Electronic Tool Kit

Delivery: Self-Guided

Class Duration: This Self-Guided document provides flexibility which builds on the targeted individual needs of the reader. For expedited knowledge and education, the Tool Kit's sections can be easily selected based on the organization's need and stage of the proposed infrastructure development.

Audience: Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Municipal Finance Officer, Municipal Project Manager, Fiscal Advisors, Development Districts and Non-municipal stakeholders active on Recovery Steering Committees

Cost: Free

Group Offering: Local USDA Rural Development State Offices and Field teams are available to assist in person with the Tool Kit's Content and agency Community Facility Program

Contact: Terence McGhee, Terence.mcghee@wdc.usda.gov, 615-783-1349

Course Title: [Introduction to Finding Grants](#)

Description: Are you new to the field of grant seeking? Discover what funders are looking for in nonprofits seeking grants and how to find potential funders in this introductory course.

You will learn the 10 most important things you need to know about finding grants, including: Who funds nonprofits and what are their motivations.

What do funders really want to know about the organizations they are interested in funding.

How do you identify potential funders and make the first approach.

Format: Self-paced, E-learning

Delivery: Self-Guided

Cost: Free

Group Offering: The Foundation Center

Contact: fctraining@foundationcenter.org

Course Title: [Introduction to Proposal Writing](#)

Description: Are you new to proposal writing, or do you need a refresher on the basics? Get a thorough overview of how to prepare a standard project proposal for a foundation grant. After completing this course, you will:

Know what to include in your proposal

Be equipped with a few best practices in proposal writing

Have a basic understanding of the proposal process and gain confidence to get started

Format: Self-paced, E-learning

Delivery: Self-Guided

Cost: Free

Group Offering: The Foundation Center

Contact: fctraining@foundationcenter.org

Course Title: Introduction to Project Budgets

Description: Are you ready to start fundraising for your project or idea, but don't know what and how much to ask for? If preparing a budget for your foundation grant is holding you back, come learn the basic elements of how to draft a project budget with confidence. This class will provide you with step-by-step instructions on how to generate a standard project budget for a foundation proposal. We will discuss:

The basic components of a project budget including income and expenses

How to estimate the realistic cost of a project

What other financial documents you may also need to submit with your proposal

Format: Self-paced, E-learning

Delivery: Self-Guided

Cost: Free

Group Offering: The Foundation Center

Contact: fctraining@foundationcenter.org

WEBINARS

Florida City/County Management Association

- Planning 101, Part I
- Planning 101, Part II
- Understanding Your Financial Reports
- The Consultants Competitive Negotiations Act: Requirements when hiring Planning, Architectural and Building Code Consultants
- Introduction to Issuing Municipal Bonds
- Grant Writing: Tips and Strategies

Florida Association of City Clerks

- Council Orientation
- Crisis Media Management
- Successful Citizen Advisory Boards & Committees
- Business Tax Receipts

Florida League of Cities

- Enhancing Municipal Service Delivery with AmeriCorps Funding
- Emergency Management 101
- The Arts, Cultural Tourism & Economic Development
- Leadership - Leading People, Managing Work
- Public Opinion: Taking Control of Your City's Messaging
- Leadership: Against All Odds
- Responding in a Public Safety Crisis: what public opinion tells us

Texas Rebuilds: Community Development & Revitalization

Texas General Land Office

- GLO-CDR Procurement Guidance
- T-Recs Training - Single Audit
- TRecS Training - Grantee Draw Request
- TRecS Training - Engineering Draw Request
- Setup Training
- Draw Submittal Training
- Change Order Training
- Section 3 Training
- Foundations in Environmental Review, June 2013
- TRecS Training - Certificate of Construction Completion (COCC)

Texas Comptroller

- Guide to Understanding Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports
- Local Government Debt Reporting

Texas Municipal League

- From Chaos to Collaboration: A New Paradigm for Public Engagement
- Town Halls: Building Dialogue and More with Citizens

Texas Association of Local Housing Finance Agencies

- How Affordable Housing Is More Than Shelter
- Developer's View: Diana McIver Makes the Case for Mixed-Income Housing

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

- Planning 101 for Local Government Officials
- Planning 201 for Local Government Officials
- Parks and Recreation: Nature Grounds

- Parks and Recreation: Land Management
- Acquisition of Private Property for Publicly Funded Local Projects
- Emergency Management: What everyone needs to know
- Introduction to Facebook
- Introduction to Twitter
- Power Point for More Effective Presentations

Texas Commission on the Arts

- Starting a Cultural District

Texas State Library and Archives Commission

- Local Government Records Management Training

V.G. Young Institute of County Government

- Budget Planning
- Personnel Management in the Public Sector
- Accounting in the Tax Office

EDA (Economic Development Administration)

- Securing Capital for Recovery and Redevelopment
- Guiding Your Community Image and Brand Through A Disaster
- Asset Mapping for Economic Resilience
- Building Resilience in Rural and Small Communities

HUD (Housing and Urban Development)

CDBG (Community Development Block Grant)

- CDBG 101: An Overview of National Objectives and Eligible Activities
- Using CDBG for Disaster Response and Recovery
- How to Use CDBG for Housing Activities

CDBG-DR (Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery)

- CDBG-DR Program Overview
- 2016 CDBG-DR Webinar Series

FEMA Independent Study

Audience: Infrastructure, Public Works/

- Introduction to FEMA's Public Assistance Program
- Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience: Achieving Results through Partnership and Collaboration
- Public Works and Disaster Recovery
- Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience: Achieving Results through Partnership and Collaboration

Audience: Floodplain Managers

- Local Damage Assessment
- Increased Cost of Compliance
- FEMA Mapping Changes

Audience: Planning, Mitigation

- Introduction to Hazard Mitigation
- Introduction to Unified Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA)
- Mitigation Planning for Local and Tribal Communities
- Integrating the Local Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan into a Community's Comprehensive Plan: A Guidebook for Local Governments

Audience: Mayor, Managers, Economic Development, HR,

- Introduction to Public-Private Partnerships
- Developing and Managing Volunteers
- Leadership and Influence
- Decision Making and Problem Solving

Audience: Communications

- Public Information Officer Awareness
- Effective Communication

Audience: Individual Needs

- Introduction to Individual Assistance (IA) (DF-103)
- The Role of Voluntary Organizations in Emergency Management

Department of Education

- Developing High-Quality School Emergency Operations Plans: An Overview (August 2013)
- How Schools and Higher Ed Institutions Can Access FEMA's Public Assistance Program (September 2017)
- Implementing Psychological First Aid in School and Postsecondary Settings (August 2013)
- Incorporating Sextortion Prevention, Response, and Recovery into School EOP Planning (September 2016)

- Planning to Recover From Emergencies at Districts and Schools (August 2017)
- Using the Five Preparedness Missions to Help Ready Your District and School for Emergencies (February 2017)

International City/County Management Association

- How to plan for long-term disaster recovery before a catastrophe
- Long-Term Disaster Recovery: Getting the Team You Need to Succeed
- Overview on how federal programs can help local governments post-disaster

National Association of Development Organizations

- Financial Planning for Disasters
- USDA's Strategic Economic and Community Development Program and How Rural Communities Can Apply
- An Overview of Planning for a More Resilient Future: A Guide to Regional Approaches
- Building Economic Resilience in Your Community: Linking Economic Development and Hazard Mitigation Planning
- The National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System: An Introduction and Discussion of the RDO Role
- The Regional Development Organization's Role in Disaster Recovery

American Planning Association (APA)

Audiences: Flood Plain Managers and Planners

- Planning for Post Disaster Recovery I & II
- Post-Disaster Temporary Housing: Urban Planning Considerations
- Subdivision Design and Flood Hazard Areas
- State Resiliency Initiatives: From Issue to Action!
- Know Your Dam Risk!
- Adapting Urban Vacant Land to Mitigate Hazards
- Hazard Mitigation Implementation
- Hazards Planning and Resilience: The Elected Official's Perspective
- Climate Change Adaptation & Resilience
- The Role of Hazard Mitigation in Post-Disaster Recovery

The Foundation Center (Grant advice for non-profit organizations which is also useful to local governments)

- Introduction to Finding Grants
- Introduction to Proposal Writing
- Introduction to Project Budgets

National Hazard Mitigation Association

- The Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) Ambassador Curriculum
- Specially Developed and Scheduled Webinars. Based on NHMA Disaster Risk Reduction Curriculum Tailored to Local Needs. Free when resources permit. Contact Kim Thiele, NHMA at: nathazma@gmail.com

National Charrette Institute

- Just what is a Charrette?
- Stories of Community Transformation

SmartGrowth Online

- Smart Growth in the Midwest: An Overview of Policies and Practice
- Using Form-Based Codes to Create Vibrant, Walkable Communities
- Planning for Profitable Agriculture and Sustainable Food Systems
- Fostering Smart Growth in Rural Communities
- Placemaking is Economic Development
- Smart Strategies to Transform Commercial Districts
- The Economic and Fiscal Benefits of Walkable, Bikeable City and Town Centers

TOOLKITS

CDBG-DR Toolkit

Produced by: HUD

Description: This toolkit is for grantees who are receiving a CDBG-DR allocation from HUD. Whether you are a new CDBG-DR grantee or an experienced one, this toolkit has something for you.

The CDBG-DR Toolkit provides the information you need to set up and run an effective, compliant CDBG-DR Program. It incorporates guidance on program rules, lessons learned from previous CDBG-DR grantees, and sample tools to give you a head start on your program design and implementation. (If you want to know more about CDBG-DR and how it differs from CDBG, see the [CDBG-DR Program page](#).)

Program Launch walks through the key things you need to know when you receive a CDBG-DR allocation. It provides critical information on program rules and offers tips and tools for establishing the systems, procedures, and capacity you need to implement compliant and effective CDBG-DR-funded programs.

Program Implementation describes important design considerations and provides implementation tools for common CDBG-DR activities including Homebuyer, Homeowner Rehabilitation, Rental Rehabilitation, Buyouts, Small Business Loans, and more.

This guidance was developed by ICF and HUD based on engagements with CDBG-DR grantees. Because no two grantees are identical and every disaster presents new challenges, the tools should be adapted to meet your local circumstances and recovery needs.

[Community Recovery Management Toolkit](#)

Produced by: FEMA Community Planning and Capacity Building

Description: The Community Recovery Management Toolkit is a compilation of guidance, case studies, tools, and training to assist local communities in managing long-term recovery following a disaster. The materials provided in this toolkit are aimed at providing guidance and resources to help local officials and community leaders to lead, organize, plan for, and manage the complex issues of post-disaster recovery.

[Community Facilities Infrastructure Toolkit](#)

Produced by: USDA Rural Development’s Community Facilities Programs’ guide to infrastructure development

Description: Provides guidance through the Concept Development, Planning, Design, Environmental Compliance, Finance and Construction phase of essential community facility infrastructure development

[APA Post Disaster Recovery Briefs](#)

Produced by: American Planning Association

Description: Succinct 3 to 4 page how-to guides on Affordable Housing, Economic Recovery, Recovery Planning, Financial Recovery, Planning Resilient Infrastructure, Hazard Mitigation

[Emergency Management Virtual Toolkit for Education Agencies Serving K-12 Schools](#)

Produced by: Readiness in Emergency Management in Schools

Description: This toolkit, which is divided into three sections—develop high-quality emergency operations plans (EOPs), engage youth and the community and connect with other emergency management practitioners—provides users with an opportunity to populate their own education agency’s Website or emergency management Webpage with the latest Federal school emergency management training and technical assistance resources and information for schools in their state or district.

OTHER TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

[Community Planning Assistance Teams](#)

Offered by: American Planning Association

Description: Volunteer planning teams tailored specifically to a community's needs. Members offer their time and expertise to people and places where additional resources are needed. This program is supported by volunteer professionals, community contributions, and grant funding.

Contact: Shannon Burke, sburke@planning.org

The Safety Assessment Program

Offered by: American Institute of Architects

Description: A disaster strikes, and one of the first tasks for a community is to determine whether the buildings are safe for habitation. Trouble is, the structures that must be examined typically outnumber the quantity of trained city inspectors by far.

The AIA Safety Assessment Program (SAP) Training has an answer: It provides architects, engineers, building officials and inspectors with the knowledge and protocol to evaluate homes, buildings, and infrastructure in the aftermath of a disaster. This professional expertise is provided as a volunteer service and is based on the State of California's training program. It has benefited numerous communities, resulting in thousands of safety evaluations and saving municipalities millions of dollars. The Safety Assessment Program Training is a technical training program that includes Applied Technology Council (ATC) 20 Post-earthquake Safety Evaluation of Buildings and ATC-45 Safety Evaluation of Buildings after Wind Storms and Floods. The SAP reference sheet provides information on how to organize and host an AIA SAP training.

Contact: Rachel Minnery, rachelminnery@aia.org

State-led Silver Jackets Team

Offered by: USACE Institute for Water Resources, National Silver Jackets Program

Description: Interagency Silver Jackets teams can provide assistance with recovery, mitigation and future preparedness. Teams have conducted a diverse array of activities including planning and analysis projects, community outreach, training for flood risk awareness and nonstructural flood risk mitigation, preparing emergency response plans, etc., reviewed grant applications and assisted with updates to HMPs - to name a few activities. They could assist a community in areas where a collaborative, coordinated effort is needed or work on an effort that might not be fulfilled elsewhere.

Contact:

TX contacts are Marcia Hackett, marcia.r.hackett@usace.army.mil OR Marie Vanderpool, marie.j.vanderpool@usace.army.mil

FL, PR and VI contact is David Apple, david.p.apple@usace.army.mil

GA contact is Jeffrey Morris, jeffrey.s.morris@usace.army.mil

NMHA Peer Consults

Offered by: National Hazard Mitigation Association

Description: A NMHA Peer Consult is an intensive visit by a small, select group of mitigation experts. Each team is selected to address the unique and specific challenges that your organization or community defines. An NMHA team may include peer Resilient Neighbors Network Community Officials, legal, financial, planning, engineering, architecture and building experts, as well as experts on

community organization, social and public health, targeted to a specific set of issues or local project area.

Preparation for a NHMA Peer Consult includes documentation of present conditions, reports, and related information to serve as advanced briefing for the team. A preliminary visit by an NMHA team member may assist in such preparation. Once preparation is in order, the NHMA Peer Consult will include a schedule of on-site meetings, from three- to four-days with you and your local team, working intensively in addressing the brief. Such visits typically include field inspection of areas of concern, one-on-one or team intensives (peer to peer), and presentations to larger groups, possibly public meetings as appropriate. Deliverables are defined in advance and delivered (in DRAFT form) before team departure.

Contact: Kim Thiele, nathazma@gmail.com

Immediate Economic Development Support

Offered by: International Economic Development Council

Description: Community organizations may request a qualified economic development professional to provide services locally for economic recovery tasks such as business outreach and counseling, setting up or staffing a business recovery center, developing public outreach processes, training, or doing business case management, among other tasks. Each volunteer will be deployed for one week. Volunteers will be experienced economic developers with relevant experience. We ask the local host organization to arrange for hotel and local transportation, but all travel costs will be covered by IEDC, thanks to support from the US EDA Austin regional office.

Contact: Complete this form to apply: [Access Texas Assistance](#).

Long-term Technical Assistance

Offered by: International Economic Development Council

Description: IEDC Technical Assistance Teams provide focused resources for community economic development recovery needs. TA teams have been used to create new private-public partnerships for regional growth, for downtown and business community recovery and revitalization, and for economic scans and strategic plan adjustments.

Contact: For more information, contact Lynn Knight, lknight@iedconline.org

WORKSHOP SCHOLARSHIPS

Texas Municipal League

- [TML Small Cities Workshop Scholarship](#)