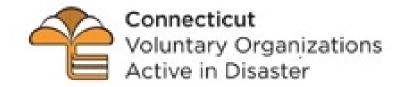
Update on COVID Recovery Planning

October 30, 2020









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Response and Recovery are Team Efforts

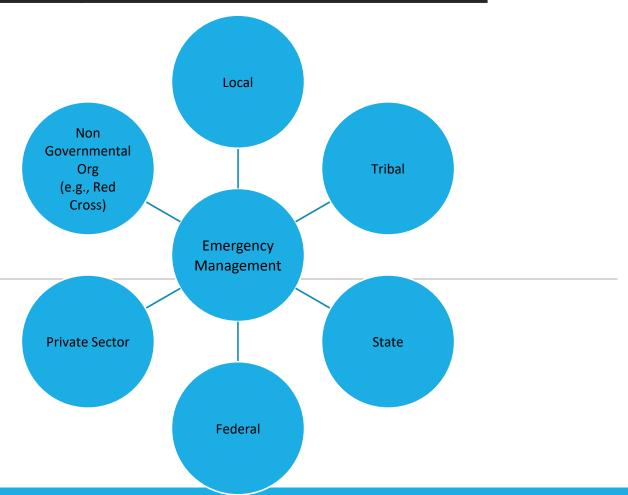
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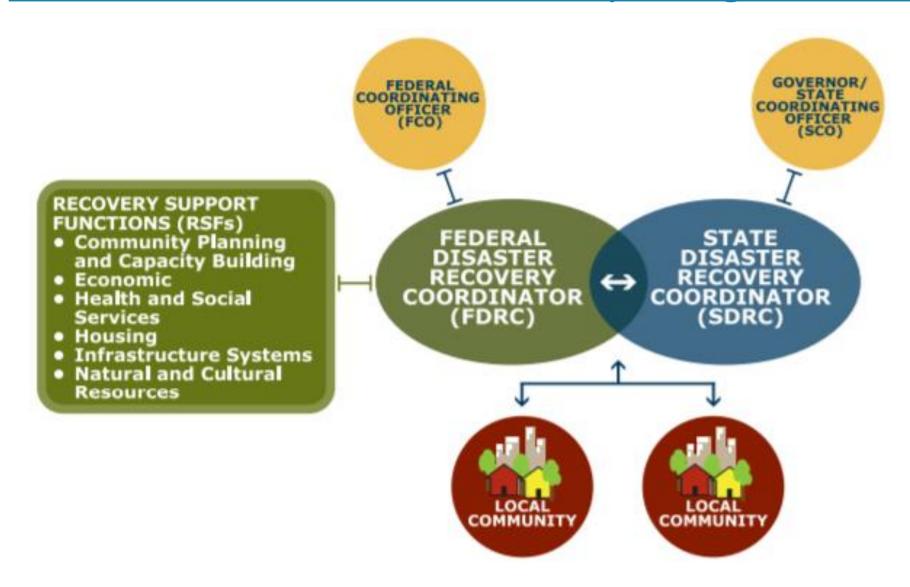
•STATE DISASTER RECOVERY FRAMEWORK

•REGIONAL EMERGENCY SUPPORT PLAN

•LOCAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN



FEMA/State Coordination Map: Large-Scale Events



Who are in these roles?

FEMA Federal Coordinating Officer(FCO) for CT COVID Disaster: ** FEMA Regional Administrator Russ Webster

FEMA Federal Disaster Recovery Coordinator (FDRC) for COVID Disaster: Jim McPherson with Cassandra Thomas as Federal Disaster Recovery Officer (FDRO)

State Coordinating Officer of CT COVID Disaster: State Emergency Management Director Bill Hackett—Alternate SCO Brenda Bergeron

State Disaster Recovery Coordination Team includes...

- Governor's Senior Policy Advisor Mary Glassman
- DECD Commissioner David Lehman and Deputy Commissioner Glendowlyn Thames

**Note: Bob Fogel is FCO for TS Isaias Disaster and also Deputy FDRC for COVID Long Term Recovery

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CT Statewide Recovery Steering Committee

State Coordinating Officer of CT COVID Disaster (SCO): State Emergency Management Director: Bill Hackett

Alternate State Coordinating Officer: Brenda Bergeron

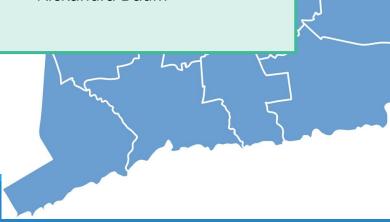
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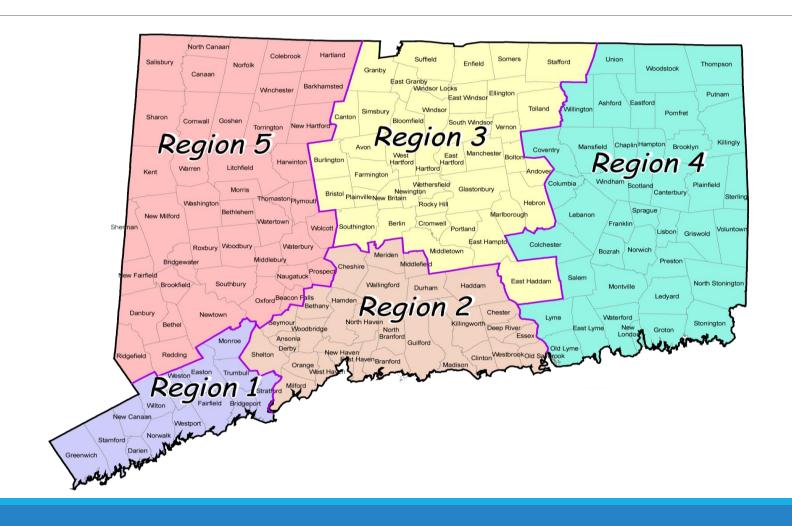
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DEMHS Regions and Regional Emergency Planning Teams (REPTs)



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CT State Disaster Recovery Framework: ESF-14

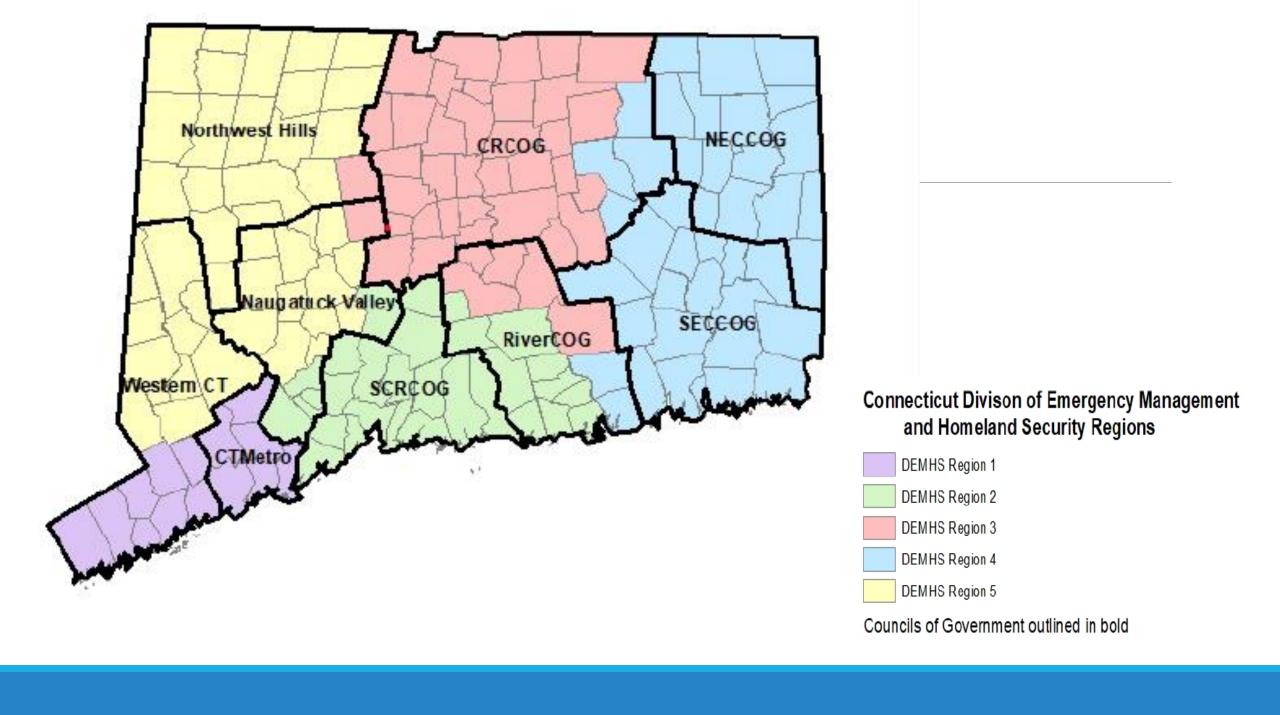
The state has operated its disaster recovery under the State Disaster Recovery Framework (SDRF). The Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS), working with numerous partners, has convened a Statewide Recovery Steering Committee (ESF-14) to build a framework for recovery of communities through:

- --Coordination of federal, state, local, and non-governmental resources
- --Involvement of Connecticut non governmental organizations including "Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster" (VOAD), and other non-governmental organizations including business and nonprofit sectors
- --Education & outreach
- --Mitigation and risk reduction programs & policies
- --The committees and structure described in this power point, which are based on the SDRF.

5 DEMHS Regions—Each Region has a Regional Emergency Planning Teams (REPT)

Steering Committee (ESF-14)* Regional Emergency Planning Team (CEOs, COGs, and reps from all disciplines related *May request assistance from to public health and safety and emergency management and response) FEMA Region 1 LTR Committee/Alternate Resource REPT Steering Committee (smaller group that steers the REPT) Management **DEMHS Regional Coordinator** *Example RSF Working Group Combinations – Not Exhaustive* **Regional Recovery Steering** Committee (RESF-14) **RESF-5 Emergency RESF-8 Public Health & Medical RESF-6 Mass Care Working Regional Recovery Coordinator Management Working Group** Group **Working Group** Supported by COGs and GRI/McChrystal Group Local ESF 14 Working Groups **Local Recovery Coordinator** (include ESF 6 for immediate needs)

Statewide Recovery



CT COVID Recovery Structure—Overview

Overall Structure of CT COVID Recovery

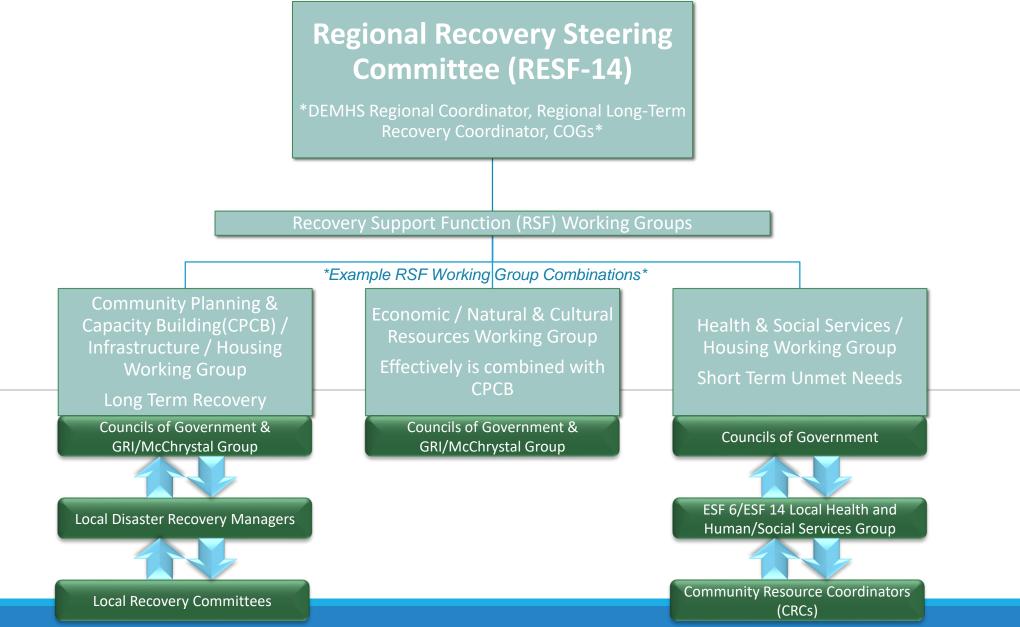
- Statewide Recovery Steering Committee
 - ESF 6/ESF 14 Statewide Task Force/Working Group
 - Charitable and Governmental Funding Sub-Committee
 - Higher Education Working Group
- 5 Regional Recovery Steering Committees (RRSCs)/5 DEMHS Regions
- 9 Councils of Government (COGs)
- Local ESF 6 Mass Care/ESF 14 Recovery Committees
 - Local Recovery Coordinator
 - Municipal Social Services
 - Local Providers, including faith-based organizations
 - Local Emergency Management
 - Local Public Health
 - Community Resource Coordinators (short-term case workers whose mission is defined by CT DSS Scope of Work)

The Mission:

Working together, the Statewide Recovery Steering Committee, Regional Recovery Steering Committees, and local Recovery Committees, will...

coordinate efforts at the state, regional, and local levels and provide support to efforts to develop a comprehensive and effective path to recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency for all Connecticut residents and all communities. This mission is further divided into two categories: (1) short term, immediate unmet needs and (2) long term recovery.

Regional Recovery Organization in each DEMHS Region



CT COVID Recovery Structure—Short Term Individual Unmet Needs

Response/ Short Term Recovery Workflow Local Level:

Municipal agencies, non-governmental organizations communicate with affected constituencies to identify immediate unmet needs/gaps in resources, assign priorities and attempt to resolve issues at the local level. This process has been used in previous disasters, including Super Storm Sandy, Hurricane Maria. Partners include:

- Local Recovery Committee (ESF 6 Mass Care /ESF 14 Recovery)—The Local Recovery
 Committee maintains communications link with local organizations that can provide
 Disaster Case Management. If the local group cannot resolve, LRC will input
 individual situation into a statewide data base. FUNDING/OPERATIONAL NEED
 IDENTIFIED United Way 211 has assisted with this database function in the past.
 Issue will be reviewed by Health and Human/Social Services Working Group of the
 Regional Recovery Steering Committee.
- <u>Community Resource Coordinators</u> provided by the state/Department of Social Services (DSS) to monitor needs of those in isolation for 14 days as the result of COVID. CRC identifies any needs beyond the 14 days and inputs individual situation into statewide data base, with notification to Local Recovery Committee.



Municipal Long Term Recovery Coordinator / Committee

*** In all instances all local resources must be exhausted prior to forwarding a short term immediate unmet need and/or long term recovery need up the communications chain. ***

Assistance Needed:

Disaster Case Management
Healthcare
Housing
Food
Connectivity
Mental Behavioral Health Assistance
Diaper Assistance

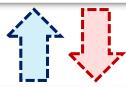
Regional Action Brief (Outline of Issue and Potential Solutions)

- Originating Municipality
- Unmet Need
- Background / Details
- Urgency / Timeline
- Proposed Solution
 - Funding
 - Programmatic
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 - Manpower

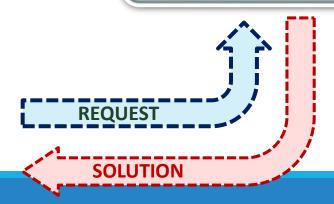
Statewide Recovery
Steering Committee
(ESF # 14)



Regional Recovery
Steering Committee
(RRSC) / COGs



Health & Human
Services RSF – Working
Group



Response/ Short Term Recovery Workflow

Regional Level:

Regional Recovery Steering Committees will coordinate efforts at a regional level to address immediate unmet needs arising from the Local Recovery Committees, which are the local ESF 6/ESF 14 groups. COGs will actively participate in the RRSC, including providing administrative and organizational assistance. GRI/McChrystal may also provide assistance.

- The Regional Health and Human/Social Services Sub-Committee is the ESF 6/ESF 14 working group at the regional level. This group will review the statewide database for unmet needs within its region.
- If the Regional Health and Human/Social Services Sub-Committee (1) identifies a global, systemic issue or (2) identifies an individual need that cannot be resolved at the regional level, the sub-committee will inform the chair of the Regional Recovery Steering Committee.



Response/ Short Term Recovery Workflow

Statewide Level: Statewide ESF 6/ESF 14 Task Force/Working Group

Each week, or sooner if needed, representatives from the 5 Regional Recovery Steering Committees will report out unmet needs to the **Statewide ESF 6/ESF 14 Task Force/Working Group** for review and resolution. This ESF 6/ESF 14 Task Force/Working Group was established as part of the Governor's Unified Command in response to the COVID pandemic:

- Led by Commissioner Amy Porter of the Department of Aging and Disability Services and Commissioner Bryan Hurlburt of the Department of Agriculture;
- Focus includes food, housing, child care and other human needs.
- Membership of the statewide ESF 6/ESF 14 Task Force will be adjusted to reflect the operational, issue-solving nature of its work.

For funding or systemic issues (e.g., legislative or Executive Order), State ESF 6/ESF 14 working group brings need to **Statewide Recovery Steering Committee and its Charitable and Government Funding Sub-Committee.**

Response/ Short Term Recovery Workflow

Statewide Level: Charitable and Governmental Funding Subcommittee

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<u>Mission:</u> The Statewide Recovery Steering Committee or the Statewide ESF 6/ESF 14 Task Force may refer an issue to the Charitable and Governmental Funding Subcommittee for consideration.



How Global/Systemic Issues Move from Regional to State

Statewide Recovery Steering Committee (ESF-14)
Charitable and Governmental Funding Subcommittee of the SRSC
State ESF-6/ESF- 14 Task Force reviews regional recovery action brief



Regional Recovery Action Brief

Outline of issue and potential solutions
Urgency/Timeline

- Originating ESF/RSF
- Constituencies
- Resource Gap vs Unmet
 Need
- Background/Details

- Proposed Solution
 - Funding
 - Programmatic
 - Legislative/Executive
 Order/Policy
 - Manpower



Regional Recovery Steering Committee & Working Groups (RESF-14), after review of local unmet needs from local ESF 6/ESF 14 Group

Municipal Long Term Recovery Coordinator / Committee

IMPORTANT NOTE

In all instances all local resources must be exhausted prior to forwarding a short term immediate unmet need and/or long term recovery need up the communications chain. ***

Assistance Needed:

Disaster Case Management
Healthcare, including Medications
Housing
Food, including Formula and Diaper Assistance
Connectivity
Mental Behavioral Health Assistance
Other Assistance

Recovery Action Brief (Outline of Issue and Potential Solutions)

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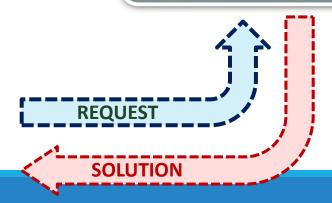
Statewide Recovery
Steering Committee
(ESF # 14)



Regional Recovery
Steering Committee
(RRSC) / COGs



Health/Human Services
Regional Working
Group





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Education & Technology Working Group

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Arts, Culture & Tourism Working Group

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Municipal Long Term Recovery Coordinator / Committee

In Coordination with:

Municipal Social Services – Local Non-Profits – Faith Based Community – Municipal Local Health Community Resource Coordinators



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Community Planning & Capacity Building / Infrastructure Working Group

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In Coordination with:

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Region 3 Coordinator Bill Turley

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Municipal Long Term Recovery Coordinator / Committee

In Coordination with:

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Health & Human Services – Working Group

Chair – Jess Stelmaszek jstelmaszek@nvhd.org

Jobs & Business – Working Group

Chair – Lynn Ward lward@waterburychamber.com

Arts, Culture, Tourism & Recreation – Working Group

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Municipal Long Term Recovery Coordinator / Committee

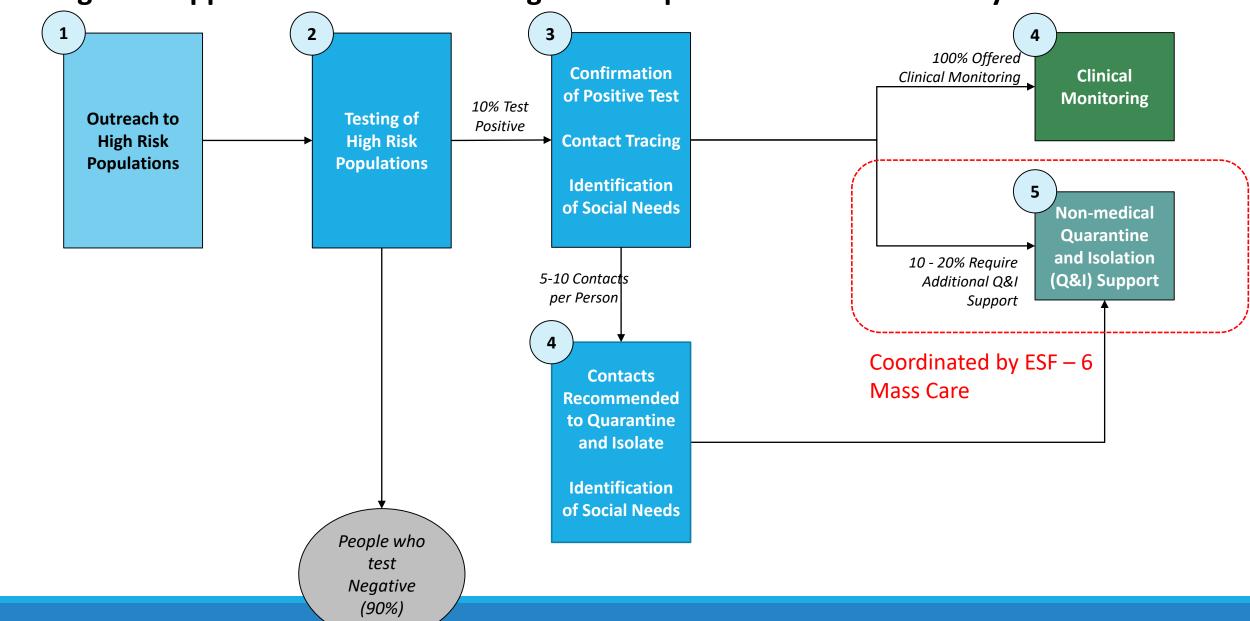
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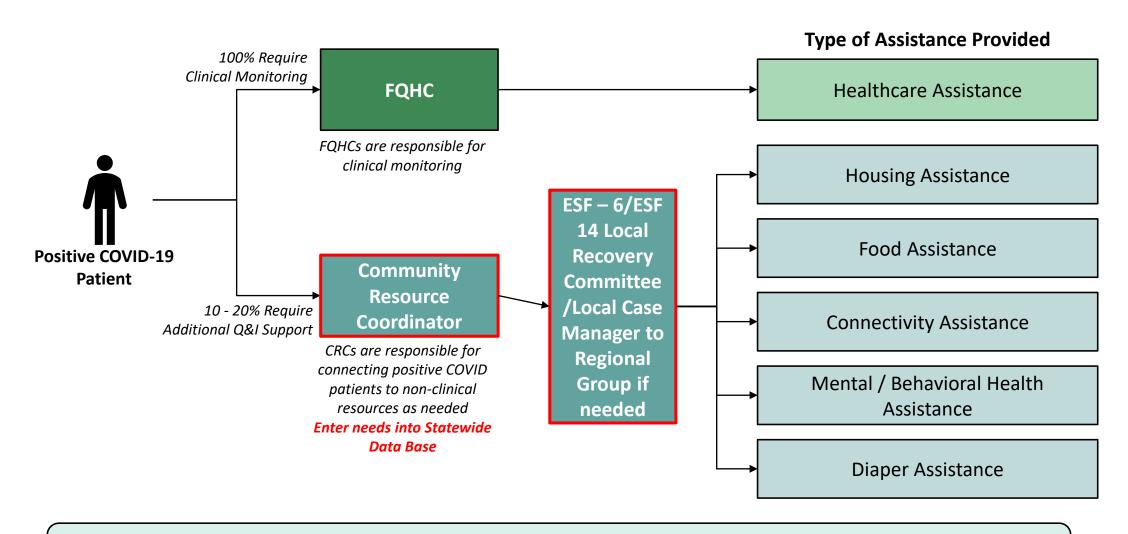
UNMET NEED

Example of Regional Coordination of Unmet Individual (Human) Needs Assistance Including Temporary COVID-Related Support: When Local Resources Are Not Enough

Testing and Support Process Flow For High-Risk Populations in a Community



Provision of Support During Quarantine & Isolation Period



Local resources will be leveraged as much as possible--

Identified gaps brought to regional and then statewide recovery steering committees

Unmet Human/Individual Needs Support Structure

Regional Recovery Steering Committee
RRSC Health and Human/Social Services Working Group

Local Team shares unmet need with regional group/DEMHS Regional Coordinator/COG—
ENTERS INTO STATEWIDE DATA BASE

ESF-6/ESF 14 Local Recovery Committee

Longer Term Case Management

Local Social Services

Local Nonprofits

Churches / Other Religious Groups/
Food Pantries

Community Resource Coordinator—14

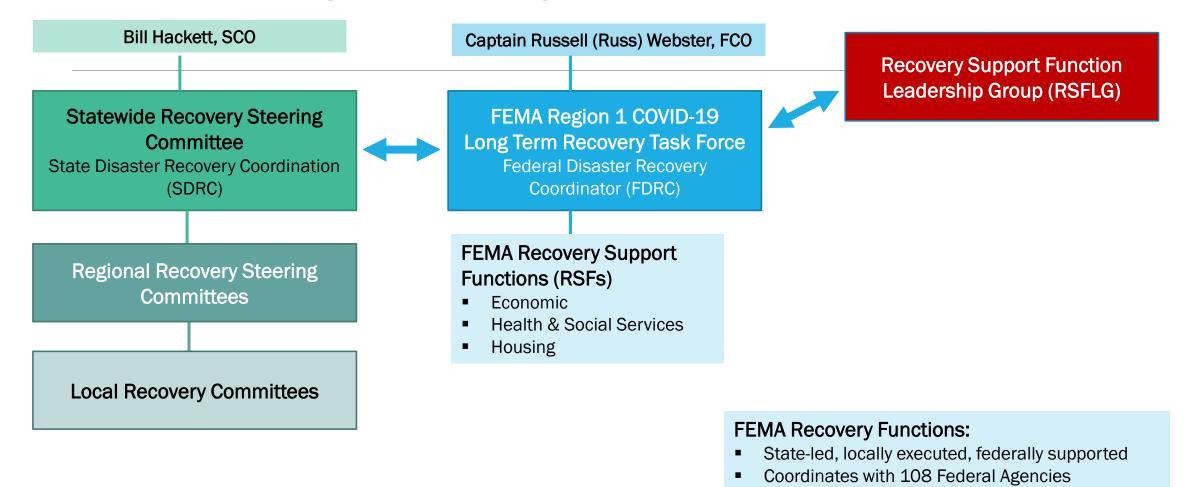
Day case work

ESF-6/ESF-14 Local Recovery Committee Detail

- Each town will leverage its local ESF-6/ESF-14
 Recovery Committee to coordinate local resources for unmet human needs, including to support Q&I individuals
- For Q&I individuals, this team will also include a short term (14-day) Community Resource Coordinator (CRC). This person is responsible for:
 - Liaising with contact tracers to identify those who need social services
 - Coordinating with the other stakeholders in the ESF-6/ESF-14 Recovery Committee to provide said support
 - The CRCs will report directly to the State Department of Social Services
- Additionally, each ESF-6/ESF 14 Recovery Committee
 will share any unmet human needs through a
 statewide data base, and with the RRSC Health and
 Human/Social Services Working Group, with a copy to
 the DEMHS regional coordinator and/or appropriate
 COG in order to identify gaps in support that the local
 Recovery Committee may not be able to provide.

CT COVID Recovery Structure—Long Term Economic Recovery/Community Planning and Capacity Building

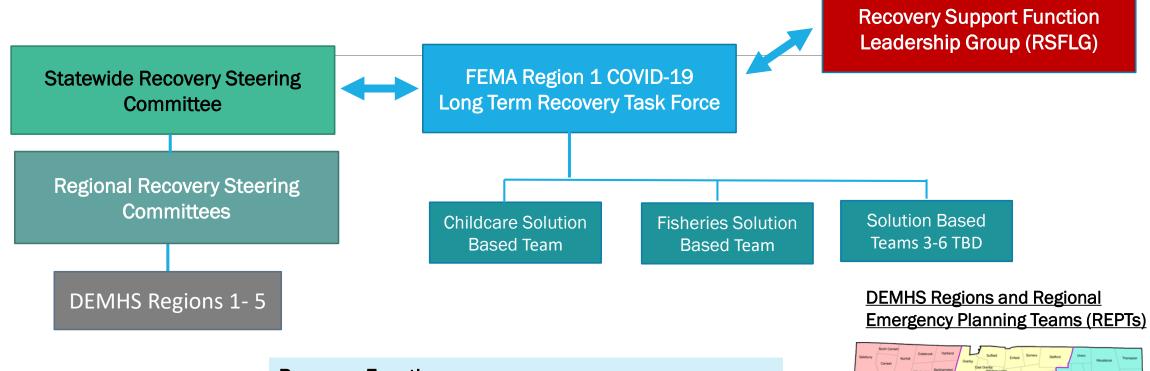
FEMA/Connecticut Long-Term Recovery Coordination Structure for COVID-19



Sector-Based Recovery with Solution Based Teams

Long-Term Resilience Building

FEMA/Connecticut Long-Term Recovery Structure (cont'd)



Recovery Functions:

- Coordinates with 108 Federal Agencies
- Sector-Based Recovery with Solution Based Teams
- Long-Term Resilience Building
- RSF's can operate in an undefined period of time





Long Term Recovery Workflow

Mission: Working with the State Recovery Steering Committee, Councils of Government (COGs) and local Recovery Committees, Regional Recovery Steering Committees will coordinate efforts at a regional level and provide support to local efforts to develop a comprehensive and effective path to recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency for all Connecticut residents and all communities.

With assistance from the COGs and the GRI and McChrystal Groups, Regional Recovery Steering Committees will work with municipalities to:

- Receive input from affected constituencies to identify long-term unmet needs/gaps in resources to the Statewide Recovery Steering Committee (ESF-14), assigning priorities and offering feasible ideas for potential solutions as possible;
- Coordinate efforts to assess local and regional recovery needs and to develop responsive recovery plans with an emphasis on forward-leaning vision and resiliency as key goals;
- Ensure communication regarding plans, resources, and guidance with Local Recovery Committees;
- Develop Recovery Support Function Working Groups appropriate to the Region to build and implement an
 accessible and effective recovery planning process; support regional and local response efforts by helping
 identifying key leaders and organizations who can contribute;
- In coordination with the Statewide Recovery Steering Committee (ESF-14), develop and implement recovery progress measures to support and influence course-changes as recovery progresses;
- Develop a long-term strategy to ensure that regions can mitigate risk over time and create resilient recovery systems so that communities can recover more quickly after future disasters.



How Economic Recovery Issues Move from Regional to State Review

Statewide Recovery Steering Committee (ESF-14)
Charitable and Governmental Funding Subcommittee of the SRSC
State ESF-6/ESF- 14 Task Force may regional recovery action brief

Regional Recovery Action Brief

Outline of issue and potential solutions
Urgency/Timeline

- Originating ESF/RSF
- Constituencies
- Resource Gap vs Unmet
 Need vs. Future Goal
- Background/Details

- Proposed Solution
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-Regional Recovery Steering Committee & Working Groups (RESF-14), working with COGs and GRI/McChrystal solicits ideas and issues -Local Recovery Committee may send issue to RRSC

Overview of Economic Recovery, Community Planning and Capacity Building

- DECD leads the Economic Recovery effort for CT, in consultation with OTG.
- The Regional Emergency Planning Teams, including the RRSCs, made up of local officials, and the Councils of Government (COGs), are key players in the recovery initiative. Every disaster begins and ends locally.
- For the purpose of COVID economic recovery planning, municipalities may choose to work with their primary COG, regardless of the DEMHS Region in which the COG is located. For all other purposes, municipalities remain in their designated DEMHS Regions.
- Jim McPherson is the FEMA Federal Disaster Recovery Coordinator, assisted by Cassandra Thomas, Federal Disaster Recovery Officer, Dr. Chris Zevitas and others.
- GRI/McChrystal have been hired through December 31 by the state to assist with the initial resilience baseline assessments.
- The goal is to maximize the use of available funding on key projects.

Role of GRI, McChrystal, COGs, and RRSCs: Phase I

• Per GRI:

- Phase 1, September to December 2020: the consultants will provide capacity building support to the RRSCs, and produce regional resilience baseline assessments.
- Phase 1: RRSCs will integrate current activities; increase inclusion of communities hardest hit by crisis; focus stakeholders on mutually beneficial projects that are best positioned to receive funding.
- Phase 1: COGs are critical to data and information collection.
- Phase 1 activities include (1) initial data and information collection; (2) stakeholder engagement to inform analysis; (3) resilience analysis and economic development recovery strategy, and; (4) completion of baseline analysis

Economic Recovery Phase 2: 2021-2022/EDA Application

- CT's COGs, through the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG), submitted a consolidated grant application for CARES Act funding through the EDA to support a 24-month grant beginning in December. The implementing partners are all 9 regional COGS and GRI; DECD and AdvanceCT; universities and industry associations.
- GRI/McChrystal will support capacity-building and planning efforts supported by US Economic Development Administration (EDA) and led by COGs.
- Recovery Coordinators for each of the 9 COGs (will collaborate and coordinate with Regional Emergency Planning Teams and their long term recovery coordinators)
- Regional Business Resource Centers
- Statewide Business Retention and Expansion
- Reimagining CT's Innovation Corridor
- Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) repositioning

FEMA Role:

Region 1 COVID-19 Long-Term Recovery Task Force: Deliverables

Mission Scoping Assessment (MSA):

A summary of findings and issues related to the three Federal Recovery Support Functions (RSFs)

- Economic (EDA)
- Health and Social Services (HSS)
- Housing (HUD)



Solution Based Teams:

Work Groups comprised of Subject Matter Experts and stakeholders from:

- Federal Agency Partners
- State and local governments
- Academia, Private and Non-Profit Organizations



Recovery Support Strategies (RSS):

Recovery Support Strategies outline priorities for support and funding across states and tribes in the region.



FEMA Solution Based Teams

Solution Based Teams:

Sector-based Work Groups comprised of Subject Matter Experts and Stakeholders including: Federal Agency Partners, State and Local governments; and Academia, Private and Non-Profit Organizations.

Childcare (*existing)

Fisheries/
Aquaculture
(*existing)

Higher Education (pending) Solution Based Team #4 (TBD) Solution Based Team #5 (TBD) Solution Based Team #6 (TBD)



FEMA Region 1 COVID-19 Long-Term Recovery Task Force:

Outcome-Based Recovery Approach

- Identify the needs for impacted sectors to include cross-sector interdependencies
- Identify federal, state, private sector and private non-profit funding opportunities
- Tie the needs and funding opportunities together
- Create a model for replication

Outcome-Based Results:

CT Fisheries:

- A Fisheries and Aquaculture Roundtable call was conducted in early June and a Solution Based Team (SBT) formed.
- At behest of the State, FEMA identified local sector projects that need assistance as well as overall coastal resilience strategies to be brought back to the wider SBT for technical assistance and funding identification.
- Projects include: Port redevelopment with cold storage, placemaking redevelopment, wind farm support by the industry, new revenue streams, food processing reshoringstrategies. The Task Force is working with EDA, SBA and other federal partners for funding.
- Task Force coordinated with NOAA to proved \$1,835,424 in support of the sector.

Higher Education/K-12 Education:

- The Task Force has identified higher education as a critical infrastructure sector
- Through coordination with the Assistant Secretary of the Department of Education, the Task Force was able to inform the state recovery coordinators that DOE had allocated funds for PPE, cleaning supplies and 'disruption to services' support directly to the state departments of education, enabling the recovery stakeholders to redirect funds that were reserved for this purpose to other needs.

