Mission Statement

Helping people before, during, and after disasters.
History of FEMA

- April 1, 1979, President Jimmy Carter signed the executive order that created FEMA, absorbing:
  - Federal Insurance Administration
  - National Fire Prevention and Control Administration
  - National Weather Service Community Preparedness Program
  - Federal Preparedness Agency of the General Services Administration
  - Federal Disaster Assistance Administration activities from Housing and Urban Development
  - Civil defense responsibilities transferred from Defense Civil Preparedness Agency


- Homeland Security Act of 2002
FEMA Region II

One World Trade Center
52nd and 53rd Floor
New York, NY 10007
FEMA Region II

- Regional Response Coordination Centers (RRCC)
  - Eastern District of New York Courthouse in Brooklyn, NY
  - Naval Weapons Station Earle in Colts Neck, NJ

- Caribbean Area Division in Guaynabo, PR
  - DR-4339-PR Joint Recovery Office in Guaynabo, PR
  - DR-4340-VI Joint Recovery Office in Saint Croix, USVI

- New York Disaster Closeout Office
  - Leo O’Brien Federal Office Building in Albany, NY
FEMA Region II

- Office of the Regional Administrator
- Response Division
- Mitigation Division
- Preparedness Division
- Recovery Division
- Grants Division
- Caribbean Area Division
- Mission Support Division
Region II Response Division

- Incident Management Assistance Team
- Regional Watch Center
- Operations Integration
- Operational Planning
- Logistics
Response Concept of Operations

FEMA’s mission is squarely focused on protecting the nation as a whole, with primary responsibility rest with State and local authorities.
Response Concept of Operations

- FEMA does not respond to all disasters that occur in the United States.
- When State and local capacity to respond is threatened or overwhelmed, a Governor may ask the President for Federal assistance.
Response Concept of Operations

- FEMA is first and foremost a coordinating agency
- FEMA therefore relies on strong whole community partnerships to successfully carry out its mission
- FEMA works with a variety of partners including:
  - Federal Agencies, States, Territories, Tribal Nations, local governments, first responders, the Department of Defense, voluntary organizations, business, industry and individuals
Response Concept of Operations

Emergency Support Functions

- Federal support coordinated through Emergency Support Functions (ESF) which group agency capabilities into functions most likely to be needed during an incident.
- Deliver core capabilities to stabilize community lifelines.
- ESF coordinators oversee the preparedness activities for a particular ESF and coordinate with its primary and support agencies.
Emergency Support Functions

- ESF 1 – Transportation
- ESF 2 – Communication
- ESF 3 – Public Works & Engineering
- ESF 4 – Firefighting
- ESF 5 – Information & Planning
- ESF 6 – Mass Care, Emergency Assistance, Temporary Housing & Human Assistance
- ESF 7 – Logistics
- ESF 8 – Public Health & Medical Services
- ESF 9 – Search & Rescue
- ESF 10 – Oil & Hazardous Materials Response
- ESF 11 – Agricultural & Natural Resources
- ESF 12 – Energy
- ESF 13 – Public Safety & Security
- ESF 14 – Cross-sector Business & Infrastructure
- ESF 15 – External Affairs
## PR EPA Mission Assignments

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Prioritized Stabilization of Community Lifelines
Definition
A lifeline enables the continuous operation of government functions and critical business and is essential to human health and safety or economic security.

Purpose
- Root Cause Analysis
- Interdependencies
- Prioritization
- Ease of Communication

Assessing
- Status → What?
- Impact → So What?
- Actions → Now What?
- Limiting Factors → What's the Gap?
Lifelines Drive Response

Incident responders iteratively assess lifeline status, establish priorities, organize lines of effort, and respond until the incident is stabilized.
Questions?