Recovery from Disaster: The Local Government Role

Course Goals

* Increase local government awareness of issues involved in disaster recovery.
* Provide a forum for discussion of “lessons learned” in disaster recovery at the local level.
* Promote the development of a pre-disaster recovery plan.

Course Objectives

* Describe the purpose and scope of the course and how it can be applied to their disaster recovery role and responsibilities.
* Describe the local government’s role and responsibilities in disaster recovery.
* Identify leadership qualities and actions that contribute to disaster recovery at the local government level.
* Explain how a Recovery Task Force can be used to organize local government recovery operations.
* Identify needed improvements to their pre-disaster recovery plan.
* Identify methods and techniques for providing public information during disaster recovery.
* Describe options for providing shelter, temporary housing, and replacement housing for disaster survivors
* Define the role of an unmet needs committee in serving the community during emergencies and major disasters.
* Identify the components of the health care system and the role of each component in disasters.
* Describe the role and responsibilities of the local government public works department in disaster recovery.
* Describe the role and responsibilities of the local government building inspection department in disaster recovery.
* Describe the role and responsibilities of the business sector in disaster recovery.
* Describe the role and responsibilities of the local government planning and community development department in disaster recovery.
* Describe the role and responsibilities of local government administration in disaster recovery.
* Evaluate how the materials and resources from this course will assist them in their disaster recovery program.