

# Funder Preparedness Actions and Discussion Worksheet: March 6, 2025

## Section 1: Funder Preparedness Actions



### Key Actions

- Have a Continuity plan, Emergency Response Plan and IT recovery plan
- Have a disaster/emergency fund
- Know your emergency manager and your State VOAD
- Have a personal preparedness plan
- Support community disaster preparedness

### Key Actions

- Follow your plans and check in on staff and constituents
- Open and/or communicate funds
- Share verified information
- Fill need gaps – appropriately supporting the flow of donations, volunteers, mutual aid and response activities



During



### Key Actions

- Provide communications and relational bridge between different sectors of the community
- Advocate and raise awareness
- Support nonprofit network
- Fund, coordinate and/or deliver services
- Build a vision with community of new future

### Key Actions

- Know your risks
- Update and practice/communicate your plans at a regular cadence
- Support mitigation and adaptation efforts
- Work to reduce vulnerability
- Build disaster ready relationships



Ongoing

Notes and other ideas:



Flooding



Wildfire



High-wind event  
(tornado, derecho)



Winter-storm



Acute pollution



Excessive heat with  
power-outage

## Section 2: Scenario Discussions

### Choose a hazard.

**Flooding** – may be from excessive rainfall, watermain break, or snowmelt. Mold, home loss/damage, infrastructure losses.

**Wildfire** – often sudden onset, heavy loss of life or threat of loss. Housing and infrastructure losses. Air quality concerns. Potential to consider other types of fires – apartment fires, mainstreet/business fires, etc.

**High-wind events** – heavy tree and structure damage, utility/power loss, communications challenges. Can be wide-spread. Often compounded by heavy rain or fire events.

**Winter storm** – consider ice and snow, power loss, frozen/burst pipes. Often compounded by space heater fires.

**Acute pollution** – train derailments, chemical spills, etc. Hazmat and cleanup. Can cause displacement, housing damage, health risk, etc.

**Excessive heat with power-outage** – heat is #1 disaster related killer. Concerns include health, food insecurity, seniors.

### Discuss/Think through these questions.

- What scale/considerations of impact and disruption would this type of hazard need to reach for your organization to respond? At what level do you think you could respond if it happened today?
- Imagine that you know a this will occur one year from now and significantly affect 50% of the households in your service area. You have \$25,000 to help you prepare but you can only tell one other person about it. What will you do? How will you prepare your organization? Your community? What are the immediate needs? What long-term needs might you anticipate?

Notes:



My one action: