# When Disaster Strikes: Actions to Take Within 1-6 Months & Beyond



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## **Help Businesses with Financial Recovery**

- Assist with financial planning
- Provide guidance to long-term recovery grants and loans
- Provide application support and guidance



#### **Help Businesses Regain Customers**

- Provide strategic guidance on rebuilding a customer base
- Offer marketing support to promote re-opened businesses
- Create and/or cross-promote "Buy Local" "Our Community is Open for business" campaigns



### **Support Efforts to Restore Infrastructure**

- Advocate to restore essential infrastructure, e.g. utilities, transportation
- Coordinate with your emergency management team and local authorities to prioritize recovery of business/commercial districts

### **Communicate Updates to Businesses**

- Provide continuous updates on recovery progress and new resources
- Address emerging needs and challenges

### **Organize Capacity-Building Sessions for Businesses**

• Organize training/workshops on disaster preparedness and resilience, financial management, digital marketing and other relevant topics



