

June 27, 2019

# Ohio Disaster Response & Recovery

## Situation Update – 6/19/2019 Severe Weather

Heavy rainfall caused widespread flooding of major and minor waterways across the state. Damage assessments are on-going. Only minor residential impacts were reported.

## Situation Update – Memorial Day 2019 Tornadoes

A Long-Term Recovery Group (LTRG) is forming in the Miami Valley to coordinate long-term disaster assistance. A LTRG is a cooperative body that is made up of representatives from faith-based, non-profit, government, business, and other organizations working within a community to assist individuals and families as they recover from disaster. A LTRG is needed when personal resources, insurance, government grants/loans are insufficient to meet the need of disaster survivors. LTRGs assure that disaster survivors receive assistance from local neighbors, coalesce community members around the response, and include as many participants as possible in order to maximize resources and minimize duplication of effort.<sup>1</sup>

The LTRG process is a best practice that stems from nearly 50 years of collaborative experience across the United States. The graphic at right shows the functional areas that most long-term recovery groups address.

At the most basic level the long term recovery process involves:

1. Identifying individuals and families with unmet needs;
2. Providing disaster case management services in order to prioritize how the identified needs will be addressed;
3. Identifying/developing and delivering goods, services, and funds to address the identified needs.



<sup>1</sup> National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster, Long-Term Recovery Guide, 2012, <https://www.nvoad.org/resource-center/member-resources/>.

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Individuals and businesses that experienced disaster impacts can register for FEMA assistance online at [www.disasterassistance.gov](http://www.disasterassistance.gov), by calling 1-800-621-3362 (TTY 1-800-462-7585), in-person at any of the FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs), or with the Disaster Survivor Assistance Teams (DSATs) who are canvassing impacted communities. As of 7 a.m. tomorrow, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 5 [FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers](#) (DRCs) will be open in Montgomery, Greene, Miami, and Mercer Counties.

DR-4447 FEMA Individual Assistance Data Report COB 6/26/2019	
Registrations Total	2,807
Registrations (Designated Counties)	2,758
Registrations (Undesignated Counties)	49
# of Designated Counties	10
# of Undesignated Counties w/Registrations	17
\$ Amount Approved	\$1,568,620.31
\$ Amount Disbursed	\$945,181.59

### Situation Update – 5/17/2019 Severe Weather

Today, Governor DeWine announced a Small Business Administration (SBA)-only federal disaster declaration for individuals and businesses who have uninsured losses from the May 17th flooding event in Auglaize and six adjacent counties: Mercer, Van Wert, Allen, Hardin, Logan, and Shelby Counties. SBA offers low-interest disaster loans up to \$200,000 for home repairs and up to \$40,000 for replacement of personal property. For more information click [HERE](#).

### Volunteer Opportunities

LSS has developed a partnership with The Living City Project and Sinclair Community College to connect churches with disaster response volunteer opportunities. Click [HERE](#) to access the current list of volunteer opportunities and to sign up to serve. Opportunities will be updated regularly. We will be working to also add capacity for organizations to report and post additional opportunities as they become available.

### Donations

To support the LSS Disaster Services response and recovery efforts click [HERE](#). Additionally, the Dayton Foundation has graciously agreed to serve as the fiscal agent for the Miami Valley Long-Term Recovery Group and has raised over \$500,000 through their Greater Dayton Disaster Relief Fund. These funds will be used to support recovery efforts across the Miami Valley. Click [HERE](#) for more information.

### About LSS Disaster Services

LSS Disaster Services is the statewide coordinating entity for disaster response, recovery, and resilience for the ELCA Northeastern Ohio Synod, the ELCA Northwestern Ohio Synod, the ELCA Southern Ohio Synod, the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Ohio District, the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Ohio, and represents over twenty Lutheran social service (LSS) agencies in Ohio.

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