

HUMAN SERVICES DISASTER ASSESSMENT TEAM

DESCRIPTION	The Human Services Disaster Assessment Team is responsible for post-disaster assessments of the needs of disaster survivors. The team also determines the need for a Human Services Recovery Support team to address the needs of disaster survivors during the recovery process.		
RESOURCE CATEGORY	Emergency Management	RESOURCE KIND	Team
OVERALL FUNCTION	<p>The Human Services Disaster Assessment Team assists in the assessment of disaster-caused human services needs, including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Housing assistance 2. Disaster unemployment assistance 3. Crisis counseling services 4. Disaster legal services 5. Case management assistance 6. Food assistance 7. Need for disaster recovery center 8. Staffing needs for human services assistance 9. Need for Human Services Recovery Support Team 	COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discuss logistics for deploying this team, such as security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment 2. This team typically works 12 hours per shift, is self-sustainable for 72 hours, and is deployable for up to 14 days 3. The requestor provides support to the team, such as security, fuel, and power for recharging phones, computers, and other rechargeable devices. 4. Requestor may request additional specialized personnel, such as housing or legal specialists, separately 5. Requestor may order Recovery Support Function (RSF) Leads with this team, including RSF 3 Health and Social Services Recovery, RSF 4 Housing Recovery, and others as necessary

RESOURCE TYPES			TYPE 1	NO TYPE 2	NO TYPE 3	NO TYPE 4
COMPONENT	METRIC/ MEASURE	CAPABILITY				
Personnel	Per Team	Minimum	4	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
NOTES: Not Specified						
Personnel	Per Team	Management and Oversight	1 - National Incident Management System (NIMS) Type 1 Human Services Disaster Assessment Team Leader	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
NOTES: Not Specified						
Personnel	Per Team	Operations and Support	1 - Disaster Recovery Center Manager 1 - NIMS Type 2 Volunteer Agency Liaison 1 - NIMS Type 2 Donations Coordinator	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
NOTES: The Disaster Recovery Center Manager is not a NIMS-typed position.						

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RESOURCE TYPES			TYPE 1	NO TYPE 2	NO TYPE 3	NO TYPE 4
COMPONENT	METRIC/ MEASURE	CAPABILITY				
Equipment	Per Team	Electronics	4 - Laptops 1 - Global Positioning System (GPS) 1 - Camera	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
			NOTES: Not Specified			
Equipment	Per Team	General Supplies	1. Office supplies 2. Assessment forms	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
			NOTES: Not Specified			
Equipment	Per Team Member	Personal Protective Equipment	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is mission-specific and may include: 1. Protective footwear 2. Protective clothing 3. Gloves 4. Masks 5. Eye protection 6. Respirators 7. Hearing protection	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
			NOTES: Not Specified			
Equipment	Per Team	Communications	4 - Two-way portable radios 4 - Cell phones	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
			NOTES: Consider alternate forms of communication, such as satellite phones, based on the mission assignment and team needs.			

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REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 509: Human Services Disaster Assessment Team Leader
2. FEMA, NIMS 509: Volunteer Agency Liaison
3. FEMA, NIMS 509: Donations Coordinator
4. Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended
5. Title 44 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR): Emergency Management and Assistance

NOTES

Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated component and capability.

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