

A horizontal collage of four images is positioned behind the title text. From left to right: a person in a dark blue uniform with "FIRE DEPARTMENT" and "HOOVER" on the back; a person in a blue shirt using a power tool on a structure; an aerial view of a destroyed residential area with debris and damaged cars; and a large pile of rubble and debris from a destroyed building.

Understanding the Stafford Act at the local Level

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Title II: Disaster Preparedness & Mitigation Assistance

Sec. 201. Federal & State Disaster Preparedness Program

- 1) Preparation of disaster preparedness
- 2) Training and exercise
- 3) Post disaster critiques and evaluations
- 4) Annual review of programs
- 5) Coordination of federal & state local preparedness programs
- 6) Application of science and technology
- 7) Research



Title II: Disaster Preparedness & Mitigation Assistance (cont'd)

- Sec. 202. Disaster Warnings
- Sec. 203. Pre-disaster Hazard Mitigation



Title II: Disaster Preparedness & Mitigation Assistance (cont'd)

- Sec. 202. Disaster Warning
 - a) Readiness of Federal agencies to issue warnings to state and local officials
 - b) Technical assistance to state and local governments for effective warnings
 - c) Warning to governmental authorities and public endangered by disaster
 - d) Agreement with commercial communications system for use of facilities



Title II: Disaster Preparedness & Mitigation Assistance (cont'd)

- Sec. 203. Pre-disaster Hazard Mitigation
 - b) Establishment of Program – The President may establish a program to provide technical and financial assistance to State and local governments to assist in the implementation of pre-disaster hazard mitigation measures that are cost-effective and are designed to reduce injuries, loss of life, and damage and destruction of property, including damage to critical services and facilities under the jurisdiction of the State or local governments.



Title II: Disaster Preparedness & Mitigation Assistance (cont'd)

- Sec. 203. Pre-disaster Hazard Mitigation
 - c) Approval by President – If the President determines that a State or local government has identified natural disaster hazards in areas under its jurisdiction and has demonstrated the ability to form effective public-private natural disaster hazard mitigation partnerships, the President, using amounts in the National Pre-disaster Mitigation Fund established under subsection (i) (referred to in this section as the “Fund”), may provide technical and financial assistance to the State or local government to be used in accordance with subsection (e).



Title III: Major Disaster & Emergency Assistance Administration

- Sec. 302. Coordinating Officers
 - Appointment of Federal Coordinating Officer
 - State Coordinating Officer
- Sec. 303. Emergency Support & Response Teams
- Sec. 311. Insurance
 - Prohibited Flood Disaster Assistance
- Sec. 312. Duplication of Benefit



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs

- Sec. 401. Procedure for Declaration
- Sec.402. General Federal Assistance
- Sec.403. Essential Assistance
- Sec. 404. Hazard Mitigation



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs (cont'd)

- Sec. 401. Procedure for Declaration
 - Request made by the Governor
 - Governor must implement state EOP
 - Governor must show severity and magnitude of disaster impact
 - Governor must furnish information on the nature and amount of resources (state & local) committed to the disaster



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs (cont'd)

- Sec. 402. General Federal Assistance
 - 1) Direct any Federal agency, with or without reimbursement, to utilize its authorities and the resources granted to it under Federal law
 - 3) Provide technical and advisory assistance to affected State and local government for –
 - a) the performance of essential community services;
 - b) issuance of warning of risk hazards
 - c) Public health and safety information, including dissemination of such information;



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs (cont'd)

- d) provision of health and safety measures
 - e) management, control and reduction of immediate threats to public health and safety;
 - f) recovery activities, including disaster impact assessment and planning;
- 4) Assist State and local governments in the distribution of medicine, food and other consumable supplies, and emergency assistance



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs (cont'd)

- Sec. 403. Essential Assistance
 - 1) Federal resources
 - 2) Medicine, durable medical equipment, food and other consumables
 - 3) Work and services to save lives and protect property, including
 - a) debris removal



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs (cont'd)

- b) search and rescue, emergency medical care, emergency mass care, emergency shelter, and provision of food, water, medicine, durable medical equipment, and other essentials needs, including movement of supplies or persons;
- c) Clearance of roads and construction of temporary bridges necessary to the performance of emergency tasks and essential community services;



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs (cont'd)

- d) provision of temporary facilities for schools and other essential communities services;
- e) demolition of unsafe structures which endanger the public;
- f) warning of further risks and hazards;
- g) dissemination of public information and assistance regarding health and safety measures;
- h) provision of technical advise to State and local governments on disaster management and control
- i) reduction of immediate threats to life, property and public health and safety; and
- j) provision of rescue, care, shelter and essential needs



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs (cont'd)

- Sec. 406. Repair, Restoration, and Replacement of Damaged Facilities
 - (c) Large In-Lieu Contributions
 - (1) For public facilities-
 - (2) For private nonprofit facilities
- Sec.407. Debris Removal



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs (cont'd)

- Sec.408. Federal Assistance to Individuals and Households
 - (b) Housing Assistance-
The President may provide financial assistance to individuals & households who are displaced from their pre-disaster primary residence
 - (c) Types of Housing Assistance-
Temporary, Repairs, Replacement



Title IV: Major Disaster Assistance Programs (cont'd)

- Sec. 410. Unemployment Assistance
- Sec.412. Food Coupons & Distribution
- Sec.413. Food Commodities
- Sec.414. Relocation Assistance
- Sec.415. Legal Services
- Sec.416. Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training



Title V: Emergency Assistance Programs

- Sec. 501. Procedure for Declaration
- Sec. 502. Federal Emergency assistance
- Sec. 503. Amount of Assistance



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