Are You Digital Ready?

Scaling and Adopting Disaster Preparedness Using Lessons From the California Fires

Intros



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Be prepared now



Develop governance

- Launch guidelines
- Ownership
- Roles/responsibilities
- Content management
- Cost sharing & financing

Launch Policy

The Marin Recovers website Steering Committee will convene and agree as a group if and when the website will be launched. The Steering Committee will also identify which agencies will be active users of the site, for cost sharing purposes.

Essential "triggers" to launch the website may include:

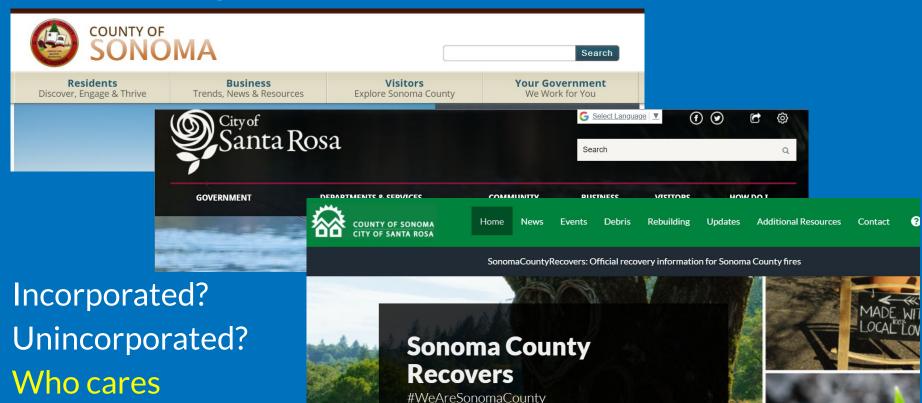
Main Event	Plus one or more of these
Multi-jurisdictional disaster event impacting the geographic area under the authority of at least two agencies	Activation of two or more agency EOCs
	County opens a Joint Information Center (JIC)
	Declaration of a local disaster by two or more agencies.
	Large-scale evacuation (more than 1,000 homes)
	Multi-district school closures
	Multi-casualty event
	Widespread public interest and media attention

Know your community



How is digital used? Will digital reach everyone?

Create a single destination



Think mobile first

Mobile traffic (phone/tablet):

- General: 50%
- During disaster: ~70%





Default to text

Text is:

- Easy to copy/paste/share
- More accessible

Always:

 Provide accompanying text with media (PDFs/images/videos)

Keep URLs simple

Easier to:

- Remember
- Share





https://buttecountyrecovers.org/rebuilding/

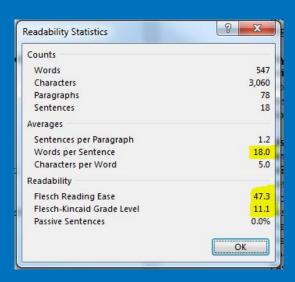
Optimize downloads

- Wifi/network will be spotty or overwhelmed
- Keep web pages 'light'
- Images < 500KB
- PDFs

Keep content concise

Clear and concise = easier to digest; eliminates confusion

- Succinct headlines and titles
- Bullets and subheadings
- Omit needless words
- Simple language and sentence structure



Have a social media strategy

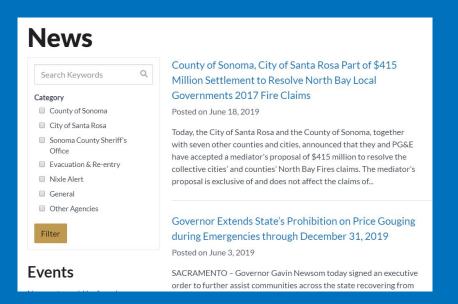
Driver for website

Engagement and conversation tool

Plan ahead:

- Which channel(s) will be the "main source" for content?
- What is optimal content?
- What can non-dominant channels post?

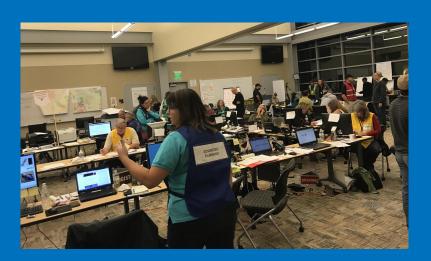
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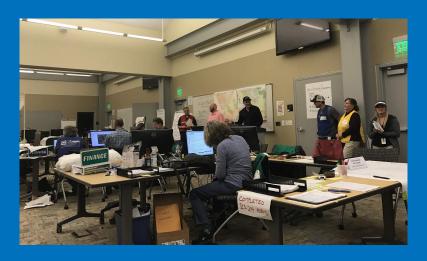




Maps, roads, transit, shelters, neighborhood re-entry and safety

Train your disaster workers now

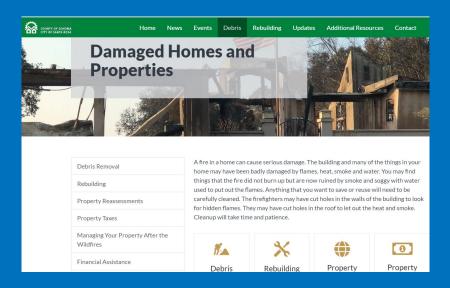


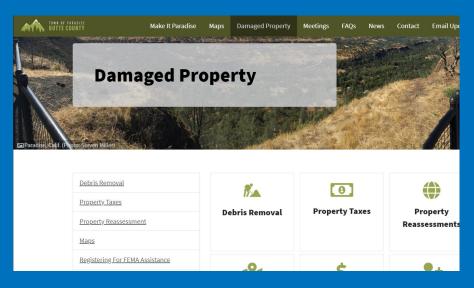


Who staffs the PIO table in an EOC?

Parks Recreation Supervisors, Public Works Analysts, City Clerk Administrative Assistants...

Leverage external support





Borrow templates...

...and staff!



Stay human



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