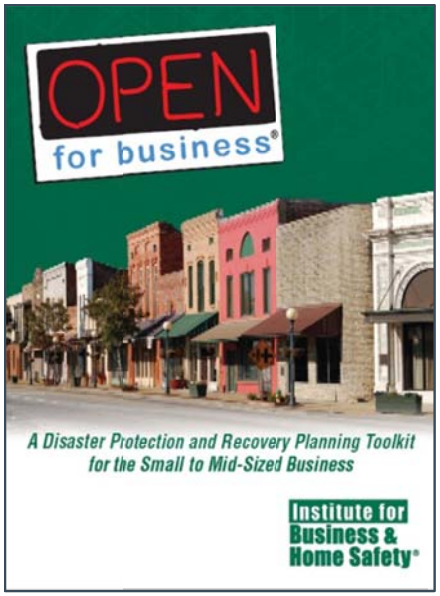
Economic Redevelopment

Potential Issues



- Resumption and Retention of Major Employers
- Small Business Assistance
- Workforce Retention
- Tourism Renewal
- Physical Economic Redevelopment Projects
- Opportunities to Sustainably Restore Economic Vitality

Questions to Consider

- Has there been coordination with businesses to solidify relationships and ensure business continuity plans are in place?
- Is there a complete and updated directory of business owner contacts?
- Are major employers' Business Continuity Managers credentialed so they can enter the disaster zone before the general public?
- Is there a resource center (physical and/or online) for communication?
- Is the government able to expedite business rebuilding permitting?
- Are business needs to recover quickly prioritized?
- Are measures in place to determine post-disaster, business damages?
- Can agricultural damage be assessed?
- What grants are available to assist businesses until normal economic conditions resume (small business administration, economic development association, etc.)?
- Are there business recovery centers and services such as counseling to assist small businesses post disaster?
- Are there actions such as ensuring schools reopen, childcare is available, and temporary on-site housing for employees is allowed to help employees return to their jobs as soon as possible?

- How can marketing campaigns, local festivals, or celebrations be used to build public confidence in the recovery efforts and draw tourism back?
- Are economic development projects that fill a need in the community and are also disaster-resilient i.e. redevelopment districts, Enterprise zones, other business districts, etc.) a priority for post-disaster funding?
- Is the local economy diversified with industries that are less vulnerable to disasters?
- Are incentive programs targeted at industries that will provide a more disaster-resilient and sustainable economy?