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## The Business of Community Resilience Forum At the Crossroads of Disaster Response and Recovery

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Over the last twenty years, national disasters like Hurricane Katrina and the Loma Prieta earthquake have revealed many lessons about successful community disaster response and recovery. Among those lessons are a realization of the limits of government response, the dependency on community and faith-based organizations, and the bottom-line business imperative of effective community response and recovery. To be most successful in response and recovery, communities must be resilient – *able to rebound from disruption and resume minimal critical services*. As part of the communities that they serve, large and small businesses will be a part of that resilience providing resources, ensuring the continuation of the supply chain, and lending efficiencies prior to, during, and after disruptive events.

## Discussions and Panels at this Event Will Address:

- The expected and expanded role of non-profit service providers in and State disaster response and recovery plans.
- Disaster Preparedness Standards for Community and Faith-Based Service Providers as benchmarks to facilitate and indicate organizational progress towards preparedness.
- Similar challenges faced by both non-profit organizations and small / medium-sized businesses in disaster response and recovery...and solutions beneficial to both.
- Update on legislation and regulations support and incentives for businesses to provide support for disaster response and responders.
- Community Disaster Resilience as Corporate Social Responsibility beyond CO2 Footprint.
- Effective use of private sector resources to assist CBO preparedness and capacity to deliver services to vulnerable and at-risk populations.
- Forming cross-sector agreements for support handshakes to memorandums
- Emergency Operations Center participation and beyond Models for cross-sector integration.

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