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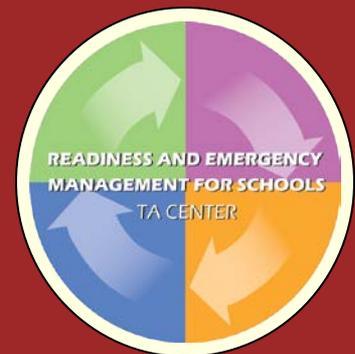


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## **Facilitated Discussion on Sustainability**

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# Sustainability – What's next for us?

**A Facilitated Discussion:**

*How to maintain emergency management efforts after the Federal funding expires*



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# Purpose

- **Review issues concerning sustainability.**
- **Present a framework for sustainability.**
- **Discuss options & next steps.**



# Reality Check:

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- 1. Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs) operate in a very different environment than federally funded Community Based Organizations (CBOs).**
- 2. Foundation grants and fundraisers may not be eager to fund emergency management programs.**
- 3. Public funding opportunities are diminishing, due to current recession.**



# What does sustainability look like?

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- ✓ **Define sustainability**
- ✓ **Discuss prioritization—What stays?  
What goes?**
- ✓ **Discuss restructuring—How can  
positions/roles/operations be  
changed to enhance the likelihood of  
sustainability?**



# A Framework for Sustainability

- **Prepare a post-funding management plan.**
  - Identify lead agency/organization.
  - Identify major milestones, responsible agency, and timelines.
  - Conduct a resource assessment (i.e., who, what will be needed).
- **Conduct stakeholder meeting.**
  - Review plan and revise as necessary.
  - Initiate the plan.
- **Review activities.**
  - Periodically convene stakeholders and review the plan.
  - Modify as necessary.



# Facilitated Discussion

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- 1. What are your current concerns for the post-grant period?**



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2. Where are you *today* in developing plans for sustainability?



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3. **What are potential barriers to developing a sustainability plan of action?**
  - Potential solutions to these barriers are...



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- 4. How can you utilize your colleagues (fellow grantees, fellow institutions) to help you in your sustainability efforts?**



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5. What role should the federal government (ED/SAMSHA/DHS, etc.) have in furthering advanced emergency management efforts for IHEs?



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6. **What kind of TA/training or other resources might be useful in thinking about sustainability issues?**



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7. Finally, what three things are you going to do *next* to move towards sustainability?



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- **Grantee & General Assistance to Field**
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- **Publications & Special Documents**



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  - When you have a quick question, follow-up (e.g., training events).
  
- **Web site <http://rem.ed.gov/>**
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