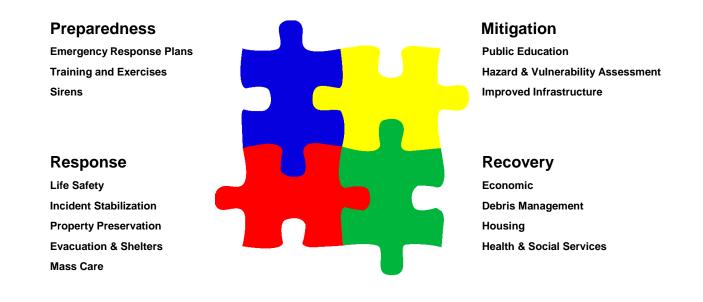


## What is the Bastrop County COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters)?

The COAD is a community organization made up of public, private, voluntary and nonprofit agencies and organizations who provide a network in all phases of a disaster: Preparation, Response, Recovery and Mitigation. The Bastrop County COAD does not provide direct services; rather it is a network through which individual organizations can effectively support their mission and service goals during all phases of a disaster.

The COAD is a collaborative working group in which all the participants are equal partners and strive to deliver necessary resources for a disaster phase. The Bastrop County COAD does not handle any funds.



## Who are COAD members?

- Individual businesses and business organizations (e.g., chambers of commerce)
- Faith-based organizations and civic associations
- Social service agencies and other secular nonprofits
- Government agencies, educational institutions, and public utilities

Types of resources that can be identified and located:

- Lodging/Animal boarding
- Volunteer pools and specialized skills
- Grocery and food vendors
- Material/Equipment donations
- Debris cleanup
- Rebuilding/Repairs and licensed professional services
- Mortuary affairs