

# Kentucky Emergency Management: Update

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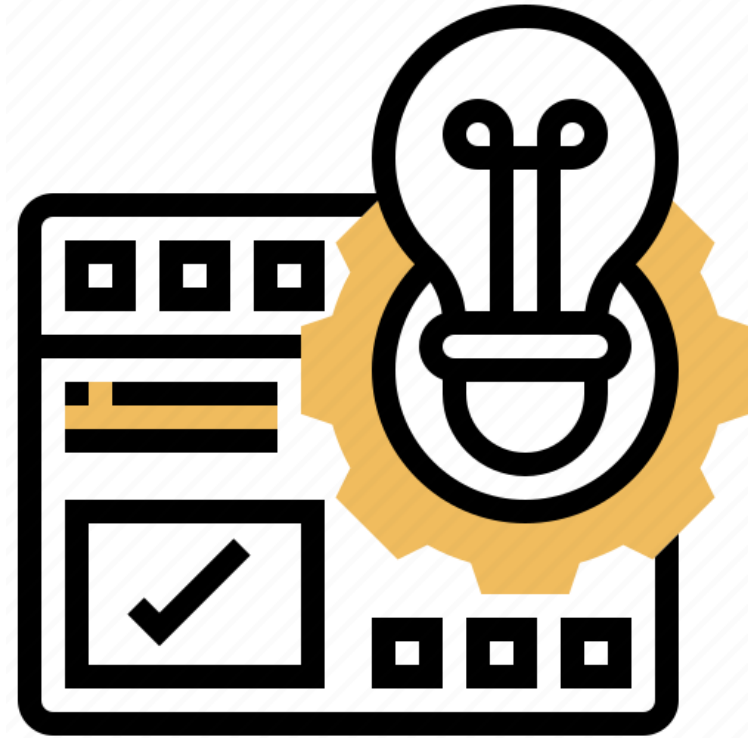
# Overall Status



- Continuing Historical Missions
- Starting New Initiatives to Improve Kentucky Disaster Response Like USAR and KQS Among Others
- Helping Others: Sent Help to States Affected By Hurricane Helene

# Preparation

- Expansion of Training and Exercise Program
- Updating of State Emergency Operations Plan
- Implementation of the Kentucky Qualification System (KQS)



# Response



- Renovation of State Emergency Operations Center
- Development of Urban Search and Rescue Program
- Emergency Management Assistance Compact
- Mission Ready Packages

# Recovery

- Open disasters
- Requested a new declaration for Helene damages
- Monitoring of subrecipients
- Monitoring of contractors by subrecipients





# Mitigation

- 199 Safe Rooms, Capacity: 40,000 Citizens
- Acquisition of Flood Prone Properties
  - 501 acquisitions to date, 29 pending
  - 5 Counties (including 1 city)
  - \$85.5 million in awards, to date
- Sirens, generators, property elevations
- Public Assistance projects are eligible for mitigation funding



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