



Recovery Task Force
Organizational Meeting

February 27, 2023

9:00 am to 11:00 am

Location: Collaboratory (2031 Jackson Street, Fort Myers)

- I. Welcome by Recovery Task Force Chairman, Commissioner Kevin Ruane
- II. Introductions
- III. Review of Charge and Roles for the RTF and Branches
 - Nomination process for Branch members and next steps
 - Identifying municipal, county, and other government subject matter experts to participate in workshops and brief RTF and Branches
- IV. Phases, Timeline, and Milestones
 1. Immediate:
 - Discuss emergent needs and how they will be addressed in RTF
 - Developing Resilient Lee Plan
 - *Listening* – Finalizing and implementing public engagement strategy
 - *Analysis* – Identifying trends within public and stakeholder feedback and solvable issues
 - *Solutions* – Identifying innovative long-term solutions and a path to get there
 - Ongoing advocacy efforts
 2. Mid-Term:
 - *Resilient Lee Plan* to the BOCC by December 5, 2023
 3. Long-Term:
 - Monitor Implementation of the *Resilient Lee Plan*
- V. Discuss Plans for Initial Public Engagement
 - Resilient Lee Website
 - On The Table Community Dialogues on March 30th

- VI. Discussion and brainstorming of RTF priorities for each Branch
 - Kickoff meetings for the Branches will occur between March 13th and 23rd
- VII. Discussion and RTF Member Questions
- VIII. Objectives of March 24th meeting
 - Review public engagement strategy and provide input and feedback
 - Will be sent to RTF members by March 17th, if not sooner
- IX. Next steps and asks of RTF Members:
 - Submit nominations for Branch membership through online survey emailed on February 22nd by COB today (February 27th)
 - Send point of contact from RTF Members office for OTT session coordination within Members jurisdiction
 - Identify SMEs within your jurisdiction to participate in listening workshops
- X. Public Comment
- XI. Adjourn

The Recovery Task Force

In response to the massive and widespread devastation caused by Hurricane Ian, the Lee County Board of County Commissioners voted unanimously to form the Recovery Task Force based on the FEMA National Disaster Recovery Framework. The Recovery Task Force membership includes governmental jurisdictions and public agencies that play significant leadership roles in Lee County. The purpose of convening this regional Task Force is to collaborate as a community, combining efforts to recover and rebuild in a resilient manner.

The Recovery Task Force will recommend to the Board of Commissioners the Lee County Resilient Lee Plan by December 5, 2023; coordinating the necessary Branch Action Teams that are charged with the following goals:

- Survey the immediate, short-term, and long-term needs of Lee County.
- Identify and engage key partners able to address the needs of the community.
- Develop viable, feasible, desirable, and actionable solutions to meet those needs.
- Maximize funding resources available to implement those solutions.
- Recommend policies necessary to implement those solutions.

The Recovery Task Force will meet monthly, beginning in February 2023 and conclude the planning phase of work in December 2023. Monitoring and oversight of plan implementation will commence in 2024 and continue as long as warranted.

Initially, the Recovery Task Force will review and endorse priorities for consideration by the State Legislature and provide a unified voice for the interests of Lee County and its residents, businesses, and nonprofits.

The Recovery Task Force members are important liaisons to their communities, gathering input and direction, as well as securing review and endorsement of the recommendations of the Recovery Task Force. Each member will have the opportunity to designate appropriate staff to support the work of the Branches, engaging the public, identifying issues, and developing resilient solutions.