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Natural Resources Branch March Meeting

Lee County Recovery Task Force



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Membership:

- **Branch Lead:**

- Dan DeLisi

- **Branch Members:**

- Daniel Andrews
- Ryan Berger
- Chadd Chustz
- Matt DePaolis
- James Evans
- Kate Gooderham

- Joanne Ribble
- Dr. Maya Robert
- Dr. Mary Beth Saunders
- Jesse Sorrells
- Casey Streeter
- Matt Caldwell

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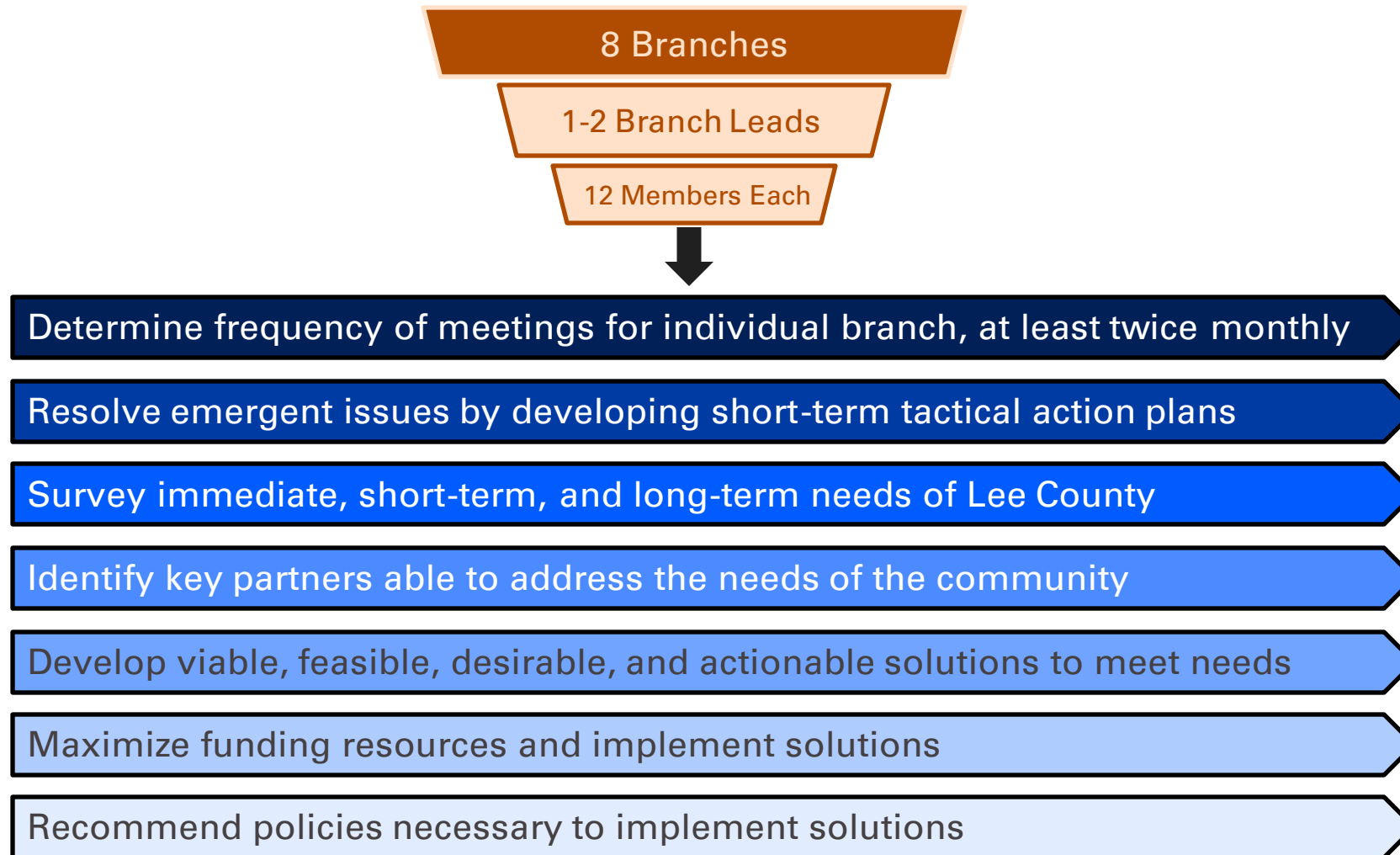


Recovery Task Force Membership

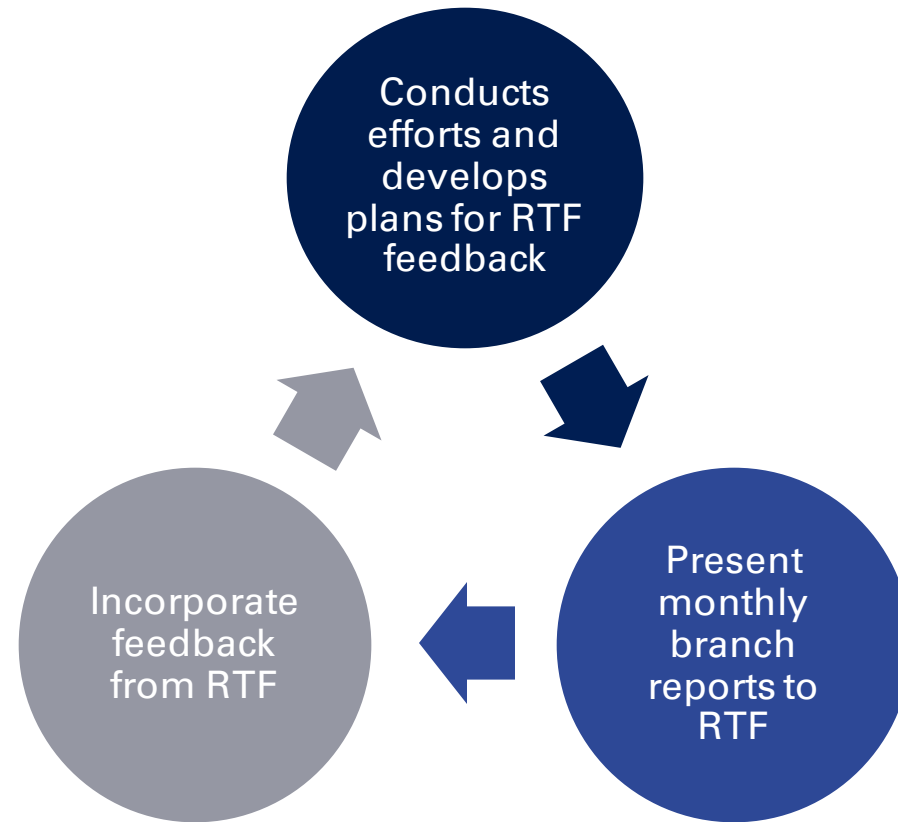


Agency	Position	Representative
City of Bonita Springs	Councilman	Chris Corrie
City of Cape Coral	Mayor	John Gunter
Village of Estero	Mayor	Katy Errington
City of Fort Myers	Mayor	Kevin Anderson
Town of Fort Myers Beach	Councilman	Bill Veach
City of Sanibel	Mayor	Holly Smith
Law Enforcement	Undersheriff	John Holloway
Fire	Fire Chief	Robert Dilallo
Lee County School Board	Chairman	Armor Persons
Lee Health	Board Member	David Collins
Legislative Delegation	Representative	Jenna Persons-Mulicka
Constitutional Office	Property Appraiser	Matt Caldwell

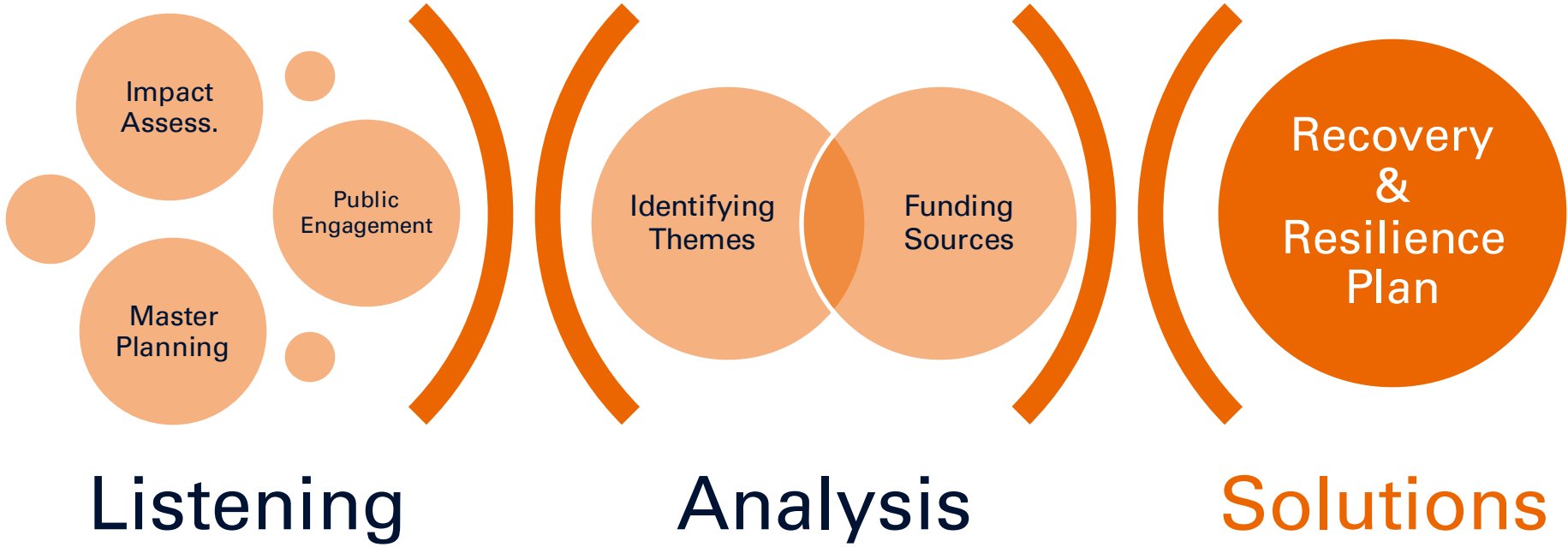
RTF Structure: Branches



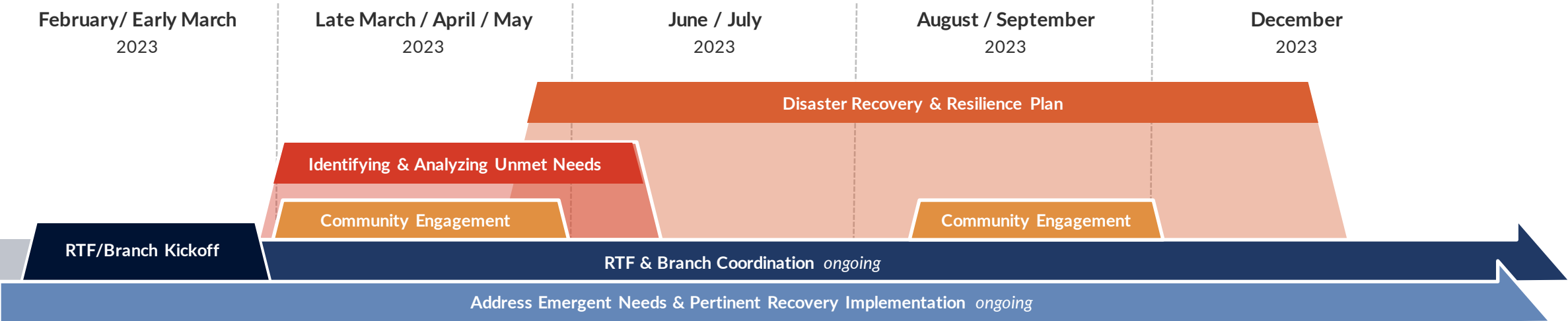
Branch Reporting Relationship with The Recovery Task Force



Immediate Phase of Recovery Task Force



High Level Process for Long-term Recovery Planning



RTF / Branch Kickoff

Establish the working structure for RTF and launch branches. Identify immediate needs and goals to address.

Launch website.

RTF & Branch Coordination

Identify recovery objectives; inform impact and needs assessment; establish projects; incorporate community's priorities; inform long term planning; oversee recovery plan implementation

Identifying & Analyzing Unmet Needs

Hurricane Ian storm impact analysis, and a cursory look at outstanding needs that will begin to shape recovery priorities

Community Engagement*

Comprehensive community outreach to inform and validate needs, identify solutions, and validate planning.

Hurricane Ian Disaster Recovery & Resilience Plan

A framework for Lee County's recovery from Hurricane Ian, including prioritized projects, funding sources, and key stakeholders

Emergent Needs & Pertinent Recovery Implementation

Conduct recovery operations and manage recovery funding streams: short-term, intermediate, long-term.

RTF is forum to identify emergent and time sensitive needs and identifying best path forward.

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Natural Resources Branch



- The Natural Resources Branch is focused on the protection and recovery of our natural resources and environment.
- **Branch actions:**
 - Develop and recommend community engagement plan
 - Review summary of existing data
 - Reference regional and local plans
 - Develop and recommend Initial Branch Priorities
 - Develop and recommend initiatives to be integrated into Branch Action Plan, which will be incorporated into the overall Recovery and Resiliency Plan

Requirements of Sunshine Law



- The Lee County Long Term Recovery Task Force and Branches shall be subject to, and each member shall be responsible for compliance with the Florida Sunshine Law and the Florida Public Records Act
- **Public Meetings Guidance:** Florida Statute Section 286.011 applies to meetings of public boards and commissions where two or more members of the same board or commission are discussing some matter which foreseeably will come before the board or commission
- Requirements for Sunshine Law:
 - Public notice, posted 7-10 days prior
 - Open meetings
 - Minutes, posted 5-7 days post

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Initial Branch Priorities



- **Initial ideas to include:**
 - Recommendations to preserve, conserve, rehabilitate, and restore natural resources
 - Beaches
 - Natural resources and relationship with tourism
 - Fisheries

Initial Branch Priorities



- **Guiding Questions in Discussion:**
 - Creating a framework for the balance between local economies and natural resources
 - Including nonprofit organizations in the planning process
 - Building upon the idea of “living shorelines” for planning coastal solutions
- **Confirm Initial Branch Priorities**

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Public Meetings & Workshops

Convey
Information,
Collect Feedback

- ✓ *Public*
- ✓ *Stakeholders*
- ✓ *Government Officials*
- ✓ *RTF & Branches*



Public Messaging

Convey
Information

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Design Workshops

Interactive
Activities
For Community
Plans

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Social Media

Convey
Information,
Collect Feedback

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On The Table Sessions

Collect
Feedback

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Regular Meetings

Convey
Information,
Formalize Approach

- ✓ *Public*
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Community Engagement Strategy



- **Community Engagement Strategy:**
 - On The Table- March 30th
 - Townhalls in early April
 - Workshops with subject matter experts
 - Resilient Lee Website Survey
 - Public meetings

Branch Community Engagement Strategy



- **Guiding Questions in Discussion:**
 - Which community stakeholders to engage
 - Which Subject matter experts to engage in public workshop
 - Other ideas on community engagement
- **Confirm Branch Community Engagement Strategy**

Community Engagement Strategy



Townhall Meeting Locations	Planning Community Designation	Meeting Locations
Northeast Lee, Fort Myers Shores, Buckingham	1,4,20	
Boca Grande	2	
North Fort Myers, Bayshore, Burnt Store	5,19,22	
Captiva	7	
Gateway, Daniels	10,11	
Iona, South Fort Myers	12,15	
San Carlos and Southeast Lee	13,18	
Pine Island	16	
Lehigh Acres	17	
Bonita Springs	3	
Cape Coral	6	
Estero	21	
Fort Myers	8	
Fort Myers Beach	9	
Sanibel	14	

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Frequency of Meetings



Phase 1

March

May

- 1 meeting per month

Phase 2

June

September

- 2 meetings per month

Phase 3

October

December

- Meet as needed
- 1 final meeting on Dec. 11th

Branch Deliverables

- Monthly Branch Reports (All Phases)
- Recommended Priorities (Phase 1)
- Community Engagement (All Phases)
- Branch Action Plans (Phase 2)



RTF Final Products

- Community Engagement Strategy
- The Resilient Lee Recovery & Resilience Plan (Dec 5th)



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