

Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management

Disaster Recover Training

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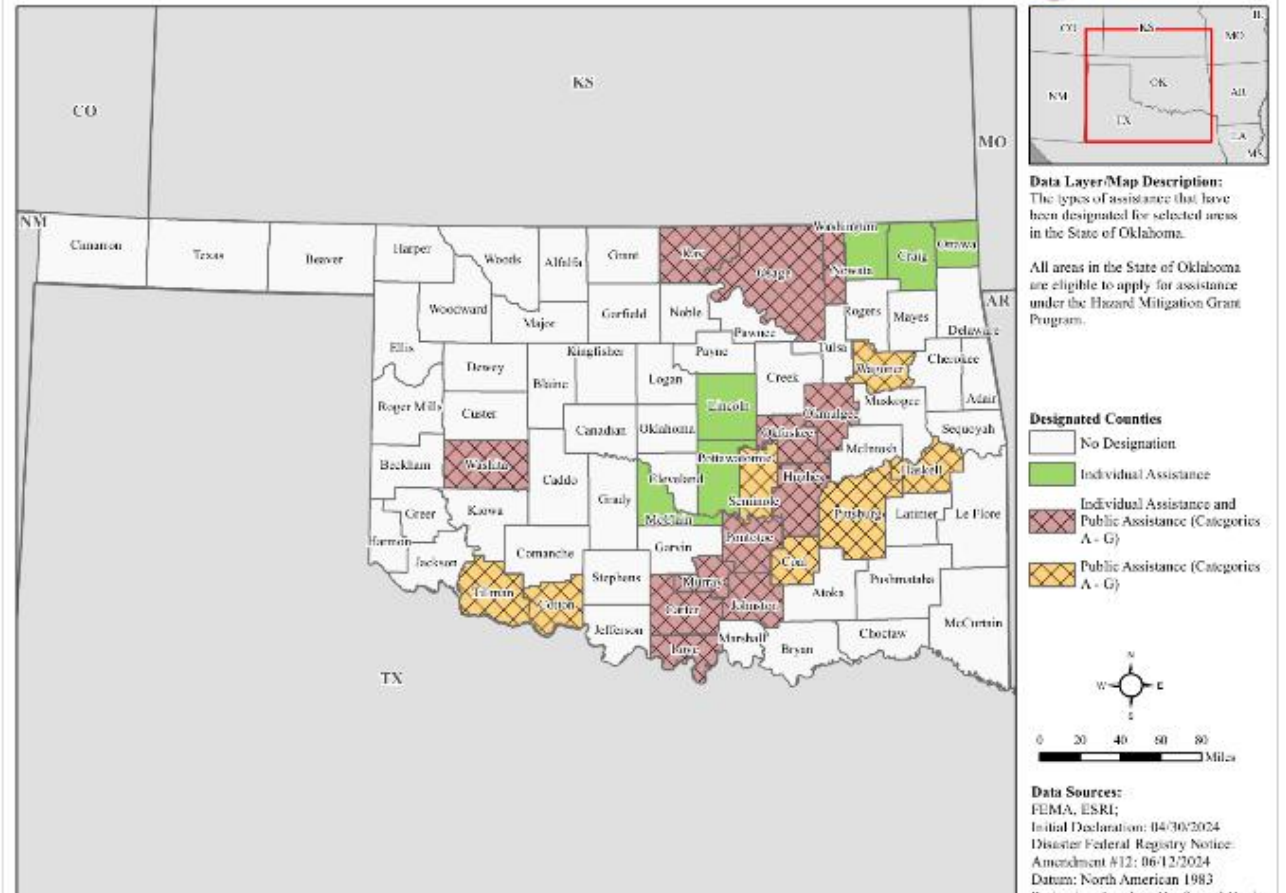
The Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management prepares for, responds to, recovers from, and mitigates against disasters and emergencies.



FEMA-4776-DR DISASTER DECLARATION

- 2 Tornado Strikes, 1 Week Apart (April/May 2024)
- 4 Lives Lost, Over 100 injuries
- Winds up to EF4 (165-170 mph)
- 23% of State's Counties affected
- 249 Residences Damaged, 136 Destroyed
- Projected revenue losses of \$2.5-\$3.5 in state income (personal and corporate) and \$1.5-\$2 million in sales taxes (ODOC).

FEMA-4776-DR, Oklahoma Disaster Declaration as of 06/12/2024



OEM RESILIENT RECOVERY STRATEGY FEMA HMGP GRANT (4776-DR)

- Long-Term Resilient Planning
- Economic Redevelopment and Historic/Environmental Preservation
- Infrastructure Resiliency
- Regional Coordination
- Capacity Building for Recovery Planning, Grant Management, and Project Implementation





HIGHLY IMPACTED COMMUNITIES

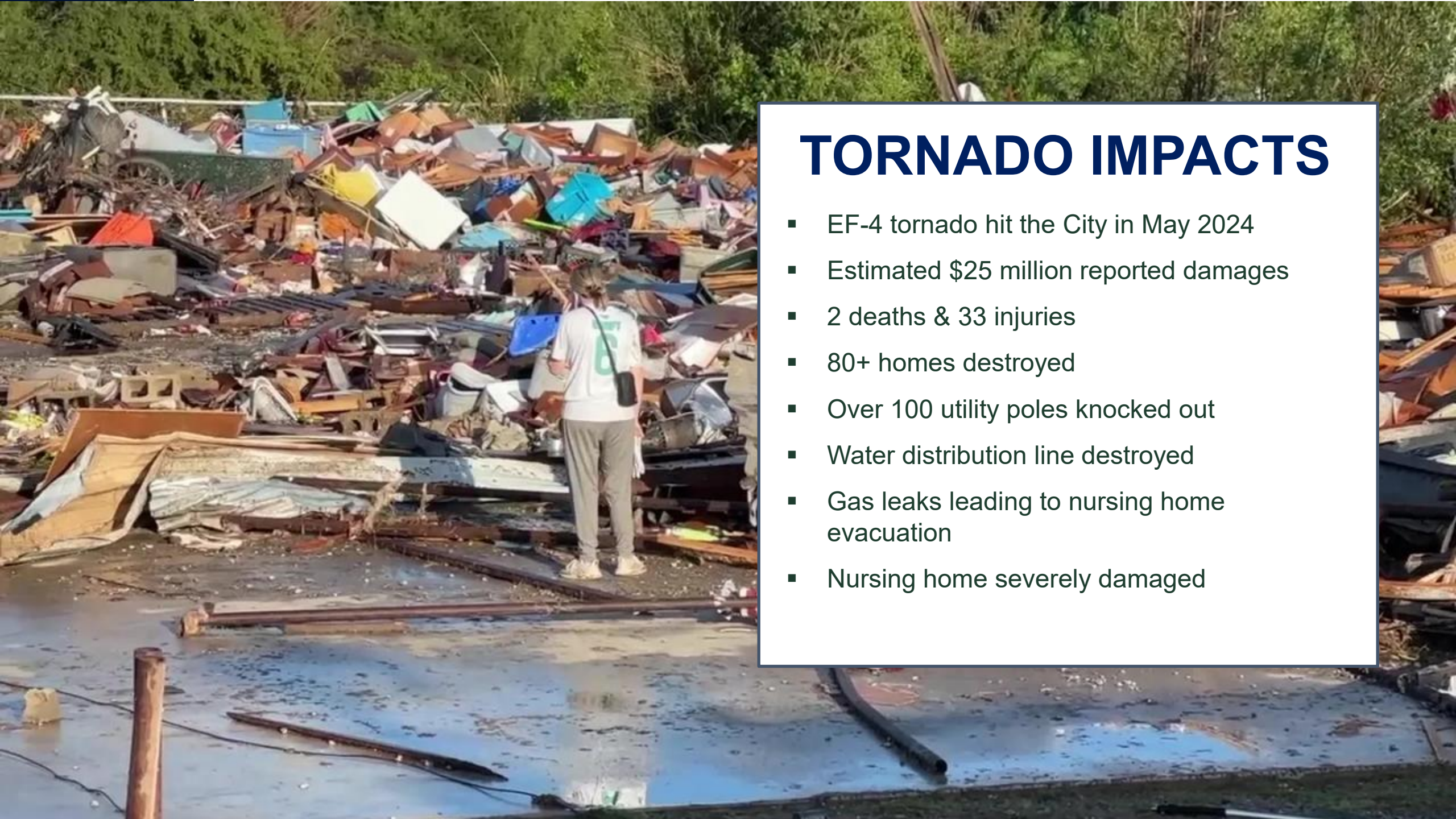
Barnsdall, Sulphur, and Marietta



NORTHEAST CORNER OF MAIN AND FIFTH STREET, BARNSDALL, OKLA.

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HISTORIC BARNSDALL

A photograph showing the aftermath of a tornado. A person wearing a white t-shirt with a green number '8' and grey pants stands in the center, looking at a massive pile of debris. The debris includes wooden planks, metal sheets, and various household items. In the foreground, there is a large, shallow pool of water reflecting the sky. The background shows green trees and a clear sky.

TORNADO IMPACTS

- EF-4 tornado hit the City in May 2024
- Estimated \$25 million reported damages
- 2 deaths & 33 injuries
- 80+ homes destroyed
- Over 100 utility poles knocked out
- Water distribution line destroyed
- Gas leaks leading to nursing home evacuation
- Nursing home severely damaged

RESILIENT RECOVERY STRATEGY FOR BARNSDALL



Economic Development: Partner with RTCA and leverage federal/state grants for recreation-based projects; attract private investment for business growth.



Housing: Pursue CDBG-DR and EDA funding for affordable housing; develop long-term land use plans.



Infrastructure: Secure infrastructure grants; implement GIS-based mapping for utilities and drainage; prioritize road upgrades.



Floodplain Compliance: Conduct BFE surveys; seek FEMA and state resources for compliance and mitigation.



Communication: Launch public information campaigns; create a transparent recovery dashboard for residents.

RECOVERY BRIGHT SPOTS

- Community Resilience –
 - Long Term Recovery Group - 501(c)(3) formed in April 2025
 - Annual Bigheart Day on May 23, 2026
 - Upcoming Community Open House on June 1, 2026
 - Road to Resilience Recovery Strategy
 - Grant funding opportunities
- [Renewing Barnsdall website](#)
- Partners –
 - Working with NPS Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program to identify park projects
 - Federal, State, and Osage Nation coordination and support ongoing for disaster mitigation planning
- Local School District continues to grow enrollment
- Riversong Films developing a short community resilience video





HISTORIC DOWNTOWN SULPHUR



TORNADO IMPACTS

- \$10M in residential and commercial damage.
- One death, 30 injuries
- Critical infrastructure like, schools, libraries, damaged or destroyed.
- Over 75 buildings and businesses damaged or destroyed
- Devastated downtown business district
- Chickasaw National Park - Major damage to facilities, visitor center

RECOVERY BRIGHT SPOTS

- Community Resilience -
 - Recovery Task Force (RTF) convened early and developed a Recovery Strategy
 - Public Meeting held on May 5th
 - Road to Resilience Strategy in Development
 - NPS-RTCA Recreational Project Development
 - Project prioritization/tracking tool to support grant management
- [Disaster Recovery Website](#)
- Progress To Date -
 - Codes updated; commissions established
 - SODA support (EDA), Grant Writer hired
 - Chickasaw Nation Partnership
 - Community Economic Development
 - Artesian Casino Hotel & Spa: Economic engine undamaged





RESILIENT RECOVERY STRATEGY FOR SULPHUR



Economic Development: SODA, EDA, Grant Funding, RTCA



Public Engagement: Recovery Website communicating vision, progress; regular updates.



Recovery Roadmap and Implementation Plan: Phased Recovery Approach; include milestones & dependencies.



Grant matrix (deadlines, awards, POP); track eligibility.



Partnerships & Innovation: Chickasaw Nation, ECU; implement tactical urbanism (murals, signage), community events



Project Management: Project Prioritization, Action sheets: scope, timeline, roles, dependencies.



MARIETTA

TORNADO IMPACTS

- EF 4 tornado hit the City on April 27th, with peak winds estimated between 165 to 170 miles per hour
- One death
- Hospital Emergency Room significantly damaged and evacuations required
- Grocery Store Destroyed (and not rebuilding)
- Major Employer - Dollar Tree Distribution Center destroyed
- 655 jobs impacted



RECOVERY BRIGHT SPOTS

- Recovery Task Force Organization
- SODA Support (EDA)
- Love County Frontier Days: county's major festival just a few weeks after the storm
- NPS Rivers, Trails & Conservation Assistance Program
- Dollar Tree is rebuilding - October 2025



RESILIENT RECOVERY STRATEGY FOR MARIETTA



Senior Housing: Pursue EDA and eligible grants to fund construction; leverage County land.



Infrastructure: Coordinate with SODA & Commerce to secure infrastructure grants and align PWA/City efforts.



Economic Recovery: Partner with RTCA (National Parks) for recreation-based economic development concepts.



Community Impact: Include vulnerable populations in recovery planning; prioritize grocery and essential services access.



City Needs: Continue discussions with Marietta to define actionable strategies for resilience and growth.

COMMON CHALLENGES



**Lack of Economic
Diversity**



**Limited Staff
Capacity**



**Challenges of
Applying/ Managing
Complex Grants**



**Re-envisioning
Community**



**Housing Recovery /
Declining
Population**

COMMON OPPORTUNITIES



**OEM/FEMA HMGP
Grant**



**National Parks
RTCA Assistance**



**Revitalized
Tourism**



**Enhancing Critical
Infrastructure**



**Creating Resilient
Communities**

STATE OF OKLAHOMA PRE-DISASTER RECOVERY PLAYBOOK

- **Accelerate recovery timeline** by establishing clear roles, responsibilities, and processes before disaster strikes
- **Reduce long-term recovery costs** through pre-positioned resources, pre-negotiated contracts, and streamlined procedures
- **Strengthen community resilience** and continuity by identifying critical infrastructure, essential services, and vulnerable populations in advance
- **Maximize federal and state funding success** with pre-developed documentation systems and grant application templates
- **Builds local capacity and confidence** by training community leaders on recovery processes before disaster stress



Federal Emergency Management Agency

THE OKLAHOMA PRE-DISASTER RECOVERY PLAYBOOK

WHAT WE'RE BUILDING

A practical, fillable pre-disaster recovery guide for Oklahoma cities, counties, tribal nations, and institutions — any disaster, declared or not.

Two layers:

1. **Guidance Parts (1–9):** what to think about and why
2. **Action Items (A-1 through A-MP):** what to fill in and activate on Day 1

Seven pilot communities co-develop the Playbook. Every Action Item is pre-filled with real community data and tested before statewide publication

WHY IT MATTERS

- Most Oklahoma communities have no recovery plan and no capacity to build one alone.
- Sales tax collapses the same day disaster strikes. Pre-positioned plans unlock federal funding faster.
- Many damaging disasters never reach the federal declaration threshold. This Playbook works for any significant disaster.
- Post-disaster federal programs are often the only opportunity for improvements impossible under normal budgets.
- Build with communities, not for them — pilot co-development means every tool is tested before statewide publication.

NINE ACTION ITEMS + MUNICIPAL PLAN TEMPLATE (A-MP)

Co-developers of the Playbook — representing every tier of Oklahoma local government

A-1	Community Profile + Tier Self-Assessment
A-2	Recovery Team Setup Card
A-3	Community Recovery Inventory
A-4	Pre-Disaster Readiness Checklist
A-5	Day 1 Action Packet

A-6	Policy Decision Log
A-7	Recovery Finance Quick Reference
A-8	Lessons Learned Reference
A-9	After-Action Review

After each community's playbook is complete, standardized tier templates are extracted — producing replicable A-MP templates for all tiers.

TIER REQUIREMENTS BY COMMUNITY CAPACITY

Tier 1	Municipalities with populations under 2,500
Tier 2	Municipalities with populations between 2,500 and 15,000
Tier 3	Municipalities with populations between 15,000 and 100,000
Tier 4	Municipalities with populations of 100,000+
Tier I	Non-municipal institutions
Tier C	County governments
Tier T	Tribal nations

THANK YOU

