

ACCESS & FUNCTIONAL NEEDS RESOURCE FRAMEWORK



For Emergency Managers

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*Everyone needs
access to
resources in
order to function
during disasters*
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The Access and Functional Needs Resource Framework helps emergency managers identify the resources people need to function before, during, and after disasters.

RESOURCE TYPES: People  | Places  | Things  | Money 

WHOLE COMMUNITY APPROACH

A whole community approach means planning with community partners to better understand real resource needs and strengthen coordination across all phases of emergency management. Using this framework to focus on **resource needs rather than labels** strengthens preparedness and resilience. It supports faster, more effective response, which can be the difference between life and death.

WHY CMIST?

CMIST is a memory tool that helps emergency managers identify the functional resources needed in a disaster to save lives and property.

- ✓ *Creates a universal resource language*
- ✓ *Supports clear, efficient coordination*
- ✓ *Strengthens whole community resilience*
- ✓ *Identifies resource needs in disasters, not labels like “vulnerable populations”*



Communication
Maintaining Health
Independence
**Support Services
AND
Safety**
Transportation

For more information or assistance in the development of your own whole community plans, visit bit.ly/DHSEMAFN or contact our team at 720-610-1691 | cdps_dhsem_afn@state.co.us



CMIST Resource Disruption Memory Tool

A Universally Designed Planning Tool For Emergency Management



Not every community can address every need immediately.

CMIST supports practical next steps to:

1 Identify resource gaps and coordinate with partners

2 Coordinate and prioritize resources

3 Improve access to programs, services, and communications

Common CMIST Resources Disrupted in Disasters



COMMUNICATION

Accessible emergency alerts, information in community languages, alternative formats, interpretation services, accessible websites, picture signage, plain language, "check-in on your neighbor" messaging



MAINTAINING HEALTH

Cultural, religious, and infant feeding; water, backup power, pharmacies for medication, health supplies providers



INDEPENDENCE

Replacement providers: hearing, eyeglasses, batteries, prescription, assistive devices, mobility aids, charging stations, and other devices. Accessible locations to include: parking, toilets, signage, showers, and accommodation requests



SUPPORT SERVICES

Support Partners for child/adult services, referral services, community organization services, and faith-based support



SAFETY

Access to emergency services, shelter safety and security, crisis responders, protection services, and response procedures



TRANSPORTATION

Evacuation and return-home options, accessible vehicles, pickup and drop-off coordination, drivers, and no-cost transportation

