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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY
& ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

PA RECOVERY RESOURCES TEAM

Information Briefing

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PURPOSE

- Improve local communities' ability to implement disaster recovery strategies by:
 - Institutionalizing a process for ongoing communication and resource coordination among partners
 - Encouraging Business Development
 - Identifying potential public and private sector resources
 - Identifying communities' private sector organizations in-need
 - Linking those in-need, with potential resources
 - Facilitating coordination among resource providers
 - Enhancing communication between those in-need and resources
 - Fostering resilient communities
- Reduce the amount of bureaucracy for recovering communities

GUIDING CONCEPTS

- “Bottom-up” approach
- The needs of the Community drive the Team’s functions
- What matters is “what you need” **not** “what we have”
- Flatten the lines of communication between stakeholders
- Promote transparency and accountability

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What we are...

- A central point of contact for community leaders (mayors, town councils, community organizations)
- Voice of the communities
- Facilitator of communication between communities in need with resource providers
- Coordinator and synchronizer of efforts



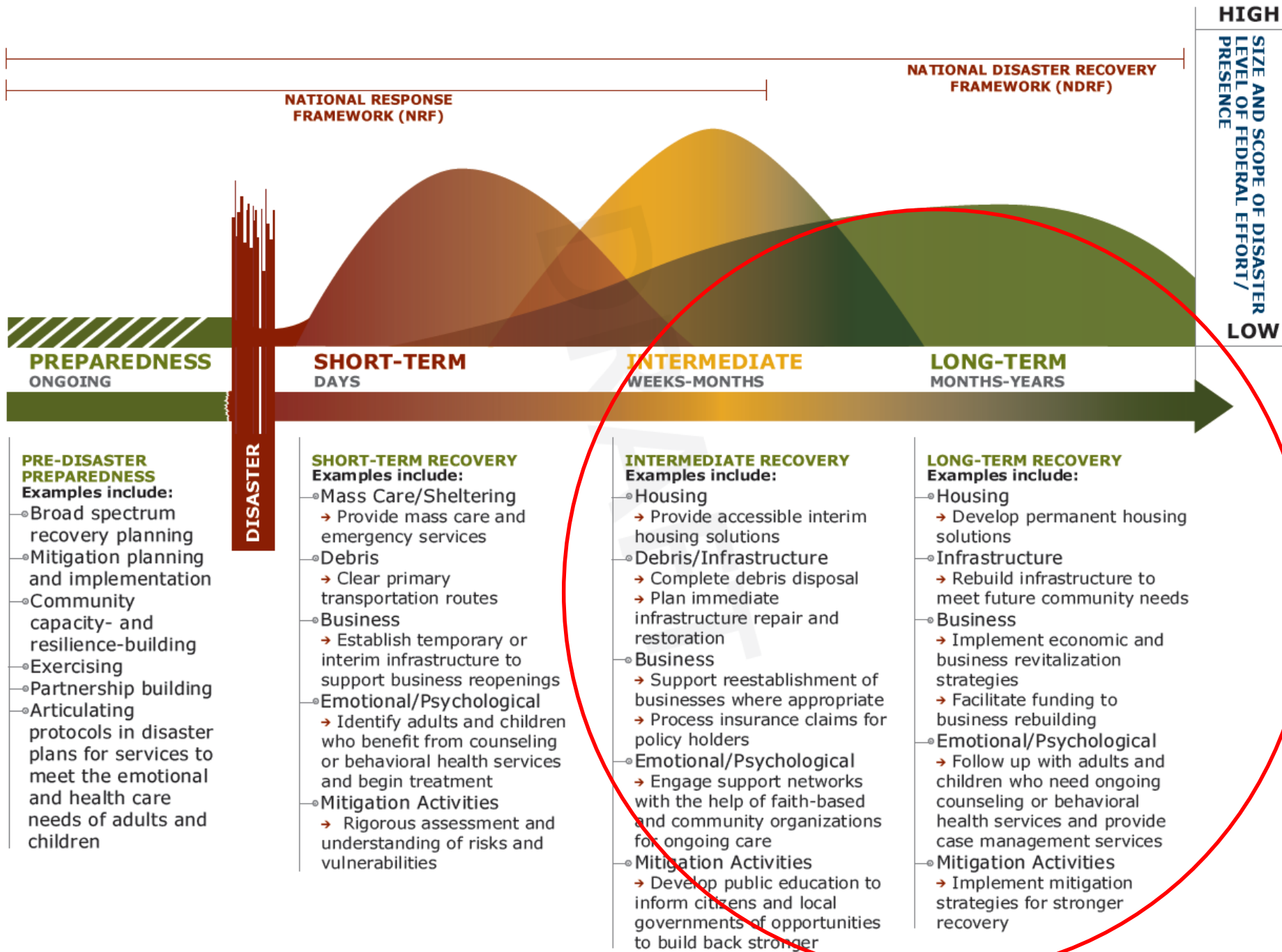
SCOPE OF WORK (coverage area)

- Service is prioritized to the 36 counties designated under these federal disaster declarations:

DR-4025-PA (Irene)

DR-4030-PA (Lee)

Counties: Adams, Bedford, Berks, Bradford, Bucks, Chester, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Lycoming, Mifflin, Monroe, Montgomery, Montour, Northampton, Northumberland, Perry, Philadelphia, Pike, Schuylkill, Snyder, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, Union, Wayne, Wyoming, and York



Recovery Resource Team Objective

- The mission of the Recovery Resource Team (RRT) is to **institutionalize a process for ongoing communications and disaster recovery resource coordination** among partners.* The RRT will be co-chaired by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (PA DCED), the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency (PEMA), and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).**

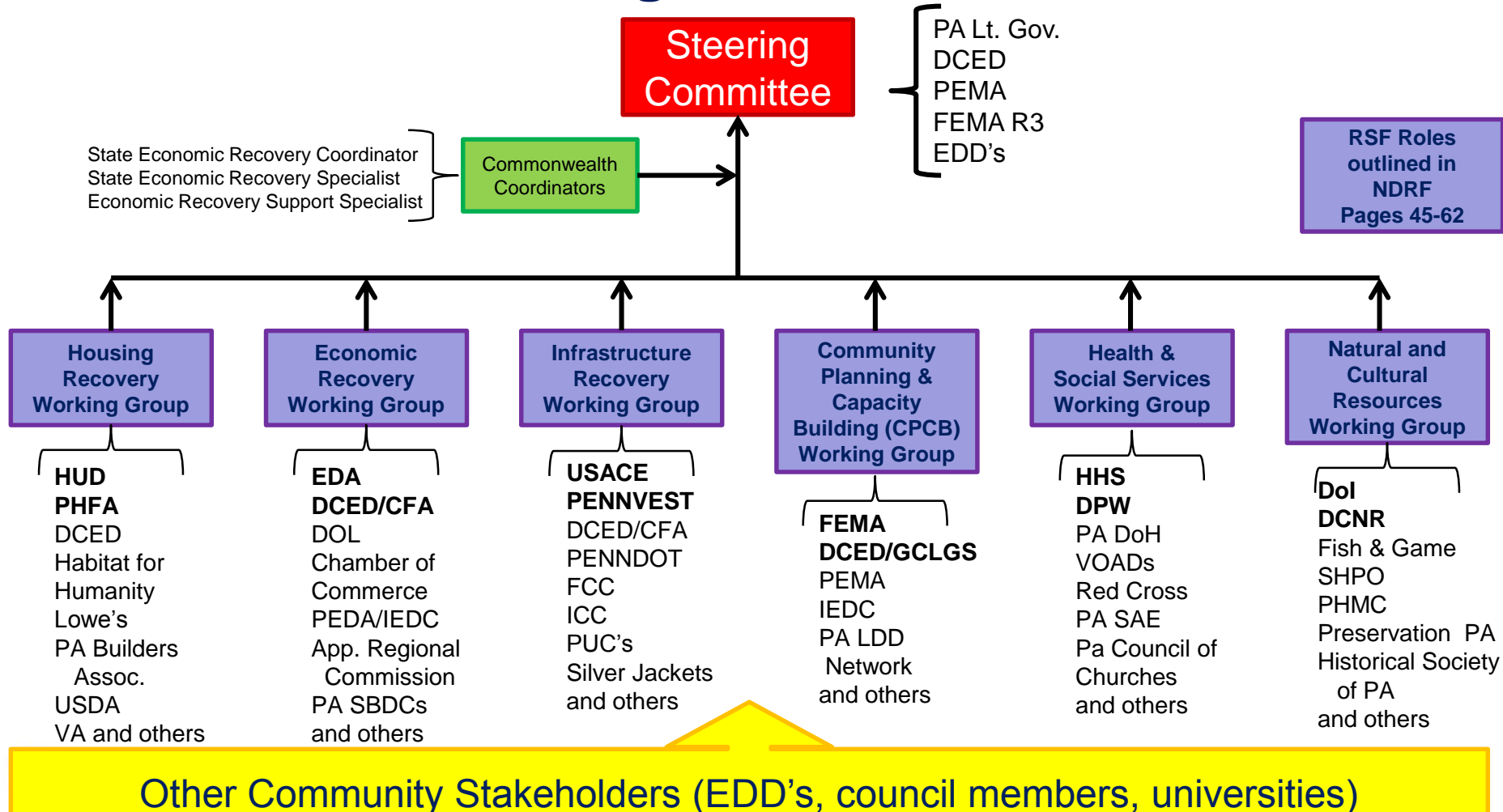
STRUCTURE

- Recovery Resources Team composition:
 - Commonwealth: DCED/CFA, PEMA, DPW, DCNR, PHFA, PENNVEST, et al
 - Federal: EDA, FEMA, USACE, HUD, DOI, HHS, et al
 - Regional and County Officials, Economic Development Districts
 - Private sector stakeholders: businesses, Chambers of Commerce, etc.
 - Non-governmental organizations, VOADs, etc.

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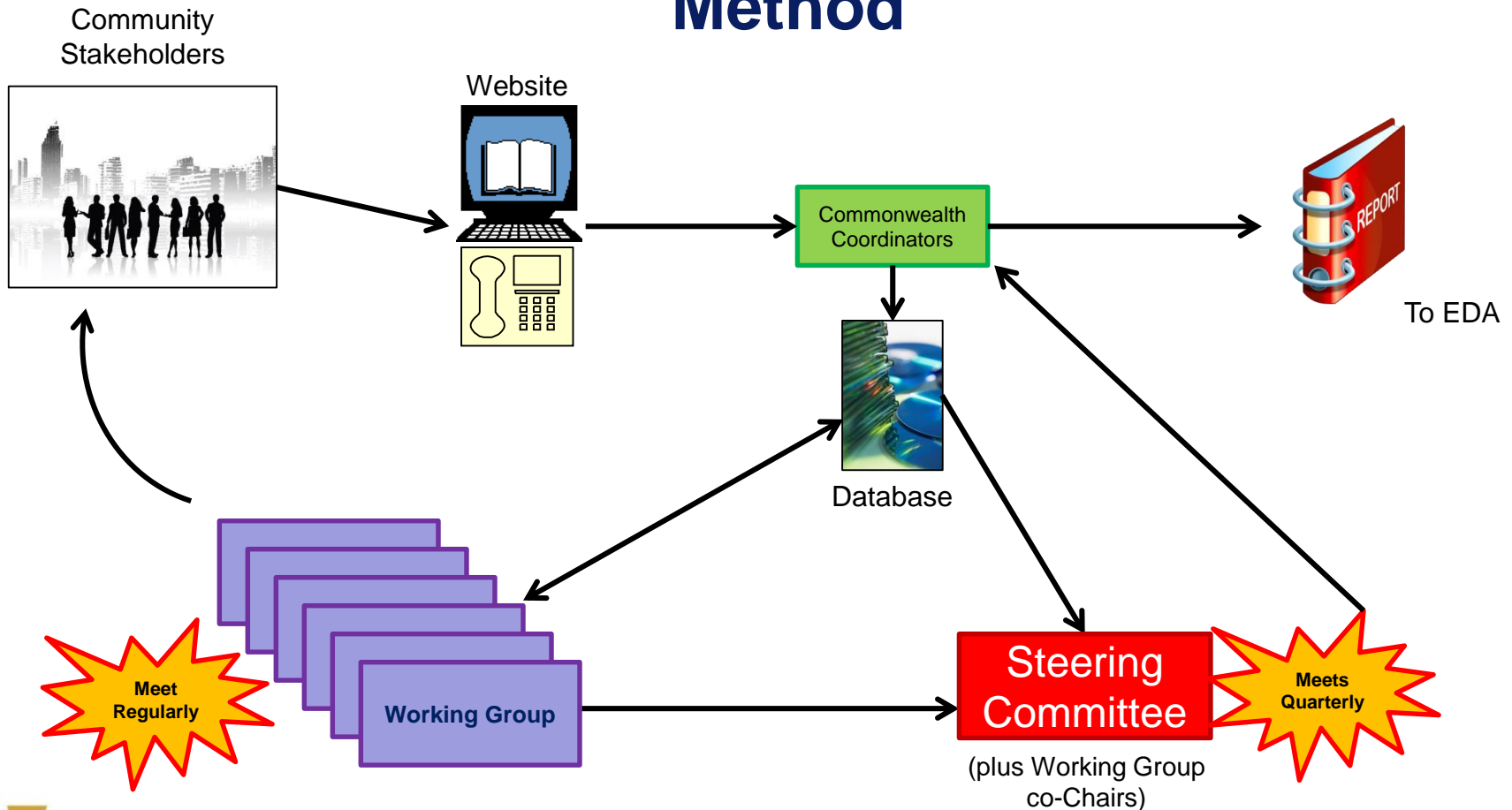
Organization



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Method



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