

# Mission

To reduce the impact of disasters through research based education.

- Enhance the abilities of individuals, families, organizations, agencies, and businesses to prepare for, prevent, mitigate, and recover from disasters.
- Serve as a national source for research-based disaster education
- Strengthen Extension's capacity and commitment to address disaster issues.
- Strengthen EDEN's capacity to provide research-based disaster education

# Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN) Strategic Conversations

**Purpose:** Appraise the value of EDEN to CES and seek recommendations, strategic directions and support from Extension leadership

**Process:** Consensus Workshop Model. Brainstorm, multi voting and plenary sessions and recommended strategic direction.

**Time:** Approximately 40 minutes for each goal discussion.

# Participation in survey

	Directors	Delegates
1862	47	65
1890	8	3
Sea Grant	0	2
Total	55	70

## Some insights from survey

- 91% have used resources provided by EDEN to enhance work in their state
- 87% of Directors expect their state to use EDEN Resources
- 74% of delegates reported that EDEN resources has made disaster response more robust
- 83% indicated that information provided by EDEN saves faculty and staff time at their institution

# Challenges and opportunities

- Staff resources to update web site and produce on time and relevant research-based information
- Produce high quality materials without dedicated subject matter staff and resources in every county or state institution
- As state and county budgets are depleted, government officials are turning more and more to Extension for disaster resources and assistance in completing FEMA paperwork even as our own resources dwindle

# Strengths

- A national network that provides opportunities for collaboration
- A coordinating body that encourages educational resource sharing and strategies system wide
- Ready and responsive network for state's CES to respond to and reduce the impact of disasters.
- Easy access to shared information and resources
- Provide educational and professional development trainings and opportunities.
- Provide lifesaving information at a timely and rapid pace to communities

# Opportunities

- More intentional and purposeful connection with the Extension System
- Increase our attention to disaster programming in state and sustain ongoing program priorities.
- Reach out to 1890s and underserved communities
- Work closely with Extension Community Development, Sea Grant and others
- Provide educational program leadership on climate response options

# Aspirations

- Communicate our successes as a core component of our national Extension System.
- Enhance sharing of resources
- Effectively coordinate and report multi-state activities
- Better engagement with FEMA.
- Improve partnership with 1890s to reach underserved communities
- Leverage regional and national resources to strengthen CES disaster response/recovery/preparation programs
- A comprehensive national plan that identifies the role of Extension in planning and recovery and sets strategic priorities.



# Results

Considering our strengths, opportunities, and aspirations, what meaningful directions, actions and commitments will ensure that we are on track to achieve our goal of providing timely, research-based and relevant information to our constituents?

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TOPIC	ACTIONS	OUTCOMES	FOLLOW UP
Goal #1	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.</li><li>2.</li><li>3.</li></ol>		
Goal #2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.</li><li>2.</li><li>3.</li></ol>		
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# Goals

- Identify ways to enhance the sharing of resources across state lines and from institution to institution.
- Evaluate Land Grant and Sea Grant need for Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN).
- Branding and integration of EDEN with Extension.
- EDEN function in state, national, and international communities.
- Evaluate educational program associated with risk, risk assessment, best management practices and adaptation to change.

# Process

## Consensus workshop model

1. Individual ideas (5 minutes)
2. Brainstorm with group (15 minutes)
3. Hold a plenary to hear ranked recommendations for action from each group (5 minutes each)
4. Large group ratify actions and set strategic direction (10 minutes)
5. Time: approx. 40 minutes

## Action #1

What ways could we leverage institutional expectations with opportunities to improve EDEN's function in state, national, and international communities.

## Action #1b

What ways could we strengthen collaboration with Sea Grant and others to enhance EDEN's impact?

## Action #2

What branding strategies are desirable/available to brand and integration EDEN with Extension effectively.

## Action#3

What creative ways could we enhance sharing of resources across state lines and from institution to institution.



## Action #4

What educational programs do we have/not have to address risk, risk management, best management practices given our commitment to innovation and change.





