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## **Disaster Recovery Coalition of America (DRCA) Holds “15 Minute Drill” Series**

America’s Leading National Disaster Organization Offers Guidance for 2020 Hurricane Season

The Disaster Recovery Coalition of America ([www.thedrca.org](http://www.thedrca.org)) announces its annual hurricane preparation guidance series, prepared by a compilation of DRCA member experts who provide FEMA and other national organizations disaster recovery and relief services. DRCA member organizations’ highest priority is to raise the awareness of the time and efficiencies that occur when planning for the worst that Mother Nature can deliver. Called “15 Minute Drills,” DRCA welcomes the opportunity to lead disaster preparation, response, relief and recovery virtual discussions with emergency management leadership officials. “The forecast for the June 1 to November 30 hurricane season has dire projections. If the threat of last year’s Hurricane Dorian is any signal, we must be ready for the hazards to U.S. coastlines and inland areas, including storm surge, inland flooding due to heavy rainfall, tornadoes, and strong winds with significant impacts that can occur regardless of the event being a named, major hurricane,” said Dan Craig, DRCA Chairman. “Using America’s most experienced leaders among the DRCA ranks, we can guide public officials in 15 minutes on best practices of the “how to’s” before, during and after the storm that will help in returning community residents quality of life,” Craig said.

While planning and preparing can play a big difference in safety and recovery of a hurricane, recovering quickly from a catastrophic event requires preparedness, advanced planning, and knowing what to do when the disaster strikes. This year, DRCA encourages taking the time to prepare, remain informed, and know your risk, whether on an individual basis or communitywide. “Reviewing NOAA’s historical hurricane tracks tool to check the severity and frequency of past hurricanes is a great way to prepare. Some residents risk waiting until the storm approaches to plan and that is too late,” according to Casey Long, DRCA’s Managing Director. DRCA recommends downloading the FEMA app that has disaster resources, weather alerts, safety tips, and a new feature that will enable users to receive push notifications to their devices to prepare homes and families for disasters.

For further information about arranging a virtual advisory session with DRCA experts, please contact Casey Long at (202) 441-0493 or via email at [clong@thedrca.org](mailto:clong@thedrca.org).

### **About DRCA:**

DRCA is a 501©6 non-profit, trade association of private sector emergency management leaders who guide public officials to prepare for, respond to, recover from and mitigate against disasters and emergencies. DRCA brings together leaders from the private and public sector through industry forums, events and roundtables with key stakeholders that help advance leadership, innovation and best practices across the emergency management system and improve America’s ability to recover from natural and man-made disasters.

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