

Disaster Recovery Coalition of America

Utilizing Resources and Expertise during COVID 19 Pandemic

The dramatic spread of COVID-19 has disrupted lives, livelihoods, communities and businesses worldwide. Members of the Disaster Recovery Coalition of America have come together to innovatively address the urgent, unprecedented public health and economic crisis, putting purpose-driven leadership and stakeholder capitalism into practice. DRCA members have stepped up to support workers, customers, and local communities, with the pandemic showing us the importance of being prepared when crises hit. It has also shown us that postponing bold decisions can have huge costs. It has shown us that we must be vigilant in our preparation for future consequences and challenges of the disease.

Here are just some of the ways DRCA members have joined the battle using their services, infrastructure, products, equipment, and expertise to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and help their employees and customers get through this crisis.

Synergy Disaster Recovery: In Florida, the Synergy team is working the testing mission and assisting the state EOC with logistics and acute center management processes. In Kentucky, Andre and team are rewriting medical center plans and ways to stand up a virtual EOC. And in Colorado, Synergy is assisting communities with ways to navigate the CARES stimulus package, following guidance from federal payers on proper assessment of “damage” and the reimbursement process.

APR Energy: Baja California has reached to APR for electricity modules to deal with summer peak demands and fortunately, this emergency electricity standby service for the summer has helped the Western US and Mexico with anticipated COVID surge. APR continues to demonstrate its strong customer partnership supported by its unique value propositions and consistent operational excellence. Building upon APR's brand and reputation, APR is working tirelessly in the Baja California region again to help mitigate energy shortages. As the global energy platform for Atlas Energy, APR provides diversified contracted power solutions to a network of global customers, also working with Grupo Dragon for power generation opportunities in Mexico when needed.

Excel: Excel was honored to be selected by the State of Louisiana to assist in the construction and operation of the Morial Convention Center Medical Monitoring Station (MCC-MMS) in New Orleans, Louisiana. The MCC-MMS was built to decrease the strain on traditional medical and hospital infrastructure as the COVID-19 pandemic surged in New Orleans, Louisiana. The MCC-MMS went from contract to operational in 13 days and began receiving patients on April 6, 2020. At full scale the MSS has a patient capacity of 2000 patients, a staff of roughly 500 positions inside the MSS in PPE, and roughly 80 administrative and professional staff working outside the hospital supporting its operation.

Tetra Tech: Many of Tetra Tech's existing customers have not only endured an economic shutdown and stay at home orders, but the Middle Tennessee tornadoes presented new challenges that Tetra Tech met head on without missing a beat. Enduring COVID and a natural disaster simultaneously meant many client community's employees were performing double duty and Tetra Tech ensured these individuals were able to meet their commitments to their residents. Tetra Tech's goal has been to keep the pace with their existing clientele's project work no matter the COVID challenges, following the various federal funding streams to help state and local governments manage their COVID expenditure reimbursements.

WSP: WSP has been multi-disciplinary in its response to COVID working across 4 service line buckets:

1. Logistics, staffing and supply support through task orders under Emergency Management stand-by contracts (multiple state and local clients)
2. Healthcare facility engineering and advisory
3. Facility disinfections/decontaminations
4. Safety, COOP and asset management advisory services