

APPROACH TO DISASTER RESPONSE

The Community Foundation for Crawford County adopted this four-phase approach to disaster response, inspired by the The Community Foundation of St. Clair County in Michigan, as well as the 2023 disaster in Maui and the incredible response from their philanthropic community.

To qualify for support from this fund, disasters must be declared by the county, state, or federal governments or the Community Foundation (at the direction of the Crawford County EMA), unless it's for Risk Reduction and Disaster Readiness.

This approach acknowledges both the immediate and long-term recovery needs for the people and places affected by disaster events.



PHASE ONE Risk Reduction and Disaster Readiness

To respond quickly to a disaster, the CC Strong Fund is available with existing funding, to allow grants to be deployed quickly, and with flexibility for high-impact results, as needed by the impacted community.

PHASE TWO Rapid Relief and Response

In Phase Two, CC Strong Fund grants focus on meeting the immediate needs of the community. Awards are made to partners that provide rapid response, including the distribution of supplies and execution of services, such as medical care, shelter, and food, as well as grief support and trauma-informed care, to provide relief to impacted communities.

PHASE THREE Recovery and Stabilization

In Phase Three, funds are granted for longer-range recovery and stabilization efforts, including interventions and programs designed to strengthen the health of our economy and communities while supporting community organizations engaging with families; efficiently connecting communities impacted to the solution building to meet their needs.

PHASE FOUR

Rebuilding Resilience

In Phase Four, the CC Strong Fund grants support the rebuilding of resilience and the creation of preventative strategies that includes engagement with communities and convening members and leaders across sectors. Ongoing work will focus on increasing social equity among the impacted people and places of Crawford County, over a broad range of metrics including housing security, health and wellness, and generational economic progress.