

## **Early Recovery Fund – Definitions**

*CDP developed the following definitions to help guide its Early Recovery Fund work.*

1. **Low Attention Disasters:** *Disasters that do not garner national attention and are often localized, rural and/or small communities. Most often identified by (all or some):*
  - no FEMA IA declaration
  - Limited national/ regional media coverage
  - Insufficient community resources/ infrastructure to meet needs of affected populations
  - Vulnerable populations disproportionately affected
  - Little or no disaster response from national or regional organizations
  
2. **Vulnerable populations**
  - Uninsured or under-insured homeowners
  - Single parent homes
  - Veterans
  - Elderly
  - People with disabilities
  - Children
  - Low income
  - Non-English speaking residents
  - Unemployed or under-employed
  - Significant un-met needs
  - New American populations
  
3. **Children’s post disaster needs:**
  - Access to basic needs – food, shelter and clothing
  - Access to childcare
  - Safe schools
  - Developmentally appropriate mental health support
  - Family support and stabilization
  - Re-established routine
  - Age appropriate disaster recovery information
  - Safe play spaces
  - Access to playmates
  - Preparedness education
  - Resiliency education – Hope for the Future
  - A diverse network of support