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Comptroller Lessons Learned

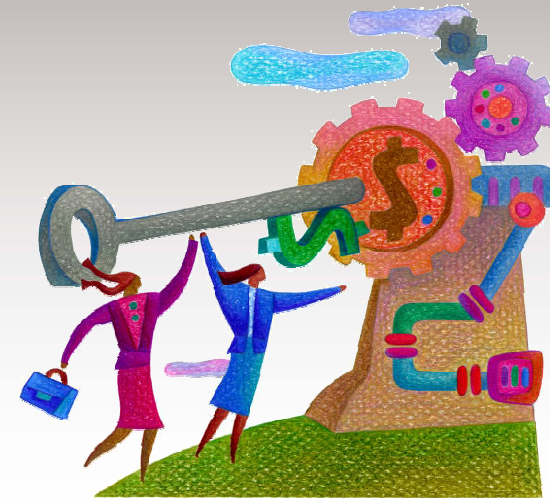
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Key Elements to Change in Government:

1. CRISIS
2. Leadership/Vision
3. \$ \$ \$ \$





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There is a Crisis in America

➤ Natural

☞ Hurricanes, floods, etc.

➤ Manmade

☞ Terrorist





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What do Governments need to do:

- Prepare
- Plan
- Integrate
- Coordinate
- Designate
- Procure
- Survey
- Train
- Mobilize
- Equip
- Create
- Cooperate
- Lead
- Breakdown
- Buildup



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Instead Katrina demonstrated

We have failed.....



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"SO WHAT DAY DID EVERYTHING CHANGE BACK?"

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COMMUNICATION

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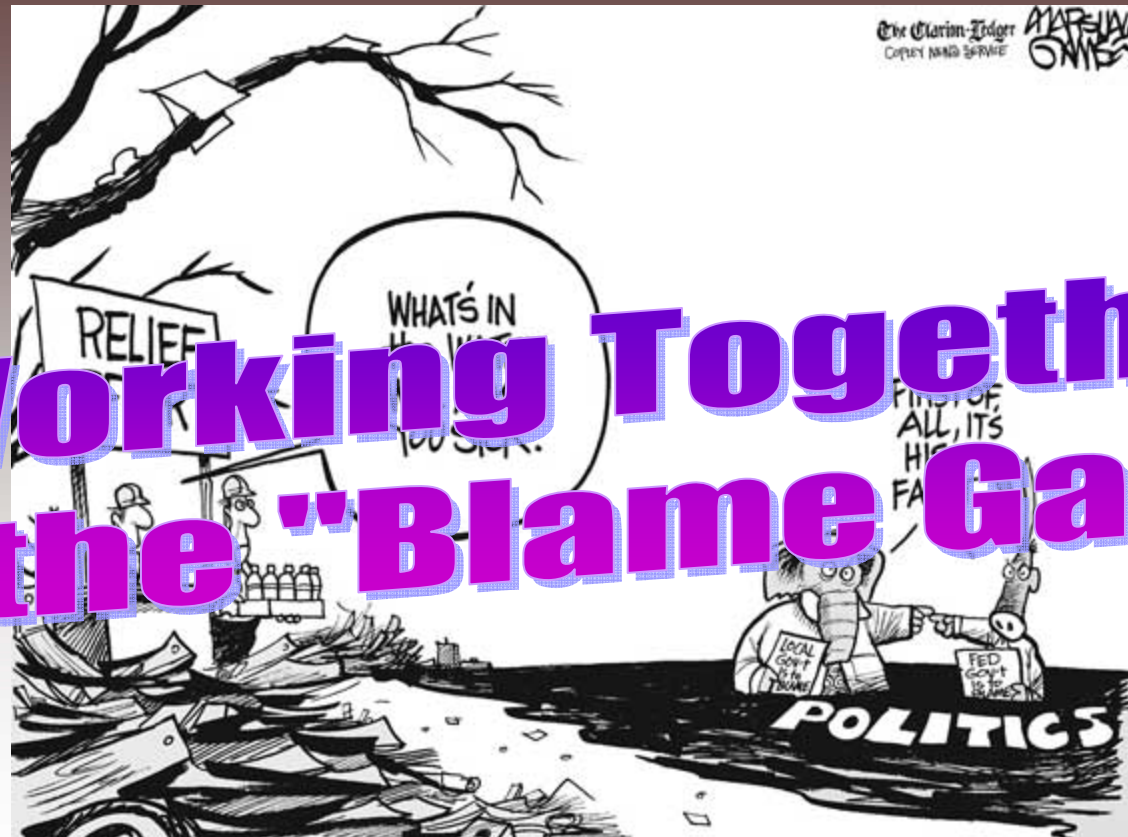
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Working Together or the "Blame Game"

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Lessons Learned?

- *Planning is the Key*
- *Ivan gave Alabama the Lesson to build on*
- *Activate Military (National Guard) early*
- *Coordinate Plans with local government*
- *Identify 1st Responders*
- *Determine Commodity needs*
 - *Food*
 - *Water*
 - *Clothing*
 - *Generators*
 - *Medicine*
 - *Equipment*
- *Train Responders*
- *Create, Equip and Train mobile support units*
- *Plan and Practice evacuations*
- *Communication*



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*Take Vacation
during
Hurricane Season!*





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*Realize that the emergency plan only
provides a FRAMEWORK and that*

every disaster is different...

every response is different...

*Common components exist but be
prepared to change as circumstances
dictate.*



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Realize that the disaster affects:

☞ *People*

☞ *Property*

☞ *Health Care*

☞ *Education*

☞ *Housing*

...Inspections

...Sites for evacuees

...Flood Insurance

☞ *Unemployment*

☞ *Professionals with Licenses who become unlicensed if they move to another state*

...Lawyers

...Doctors

...Accountants

...Nurses





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Loss of Revenue to States

- *Ad Valorem Tax*
- *Income Tax*
- *Sales Tax*
- *Revenue from Cruise Ships*

How about Tourism?





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Problem Areas:

- *Communications*
Radio, Cell Phones, etc. gone
- *Fuel and Commodities*
Stockpiles not Adequate
- *Emergency Housing for employees
dispatched to help*
- *Public Information must be
coordinated and provided timely*



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To Prepare

- *Comprehensive Plan for Emergency Management*
- *Integrate Plan with*
 - ✓ *Federal Government*
 - ✓ *Other States*
- *Coordinate Plans with Political Subdivisions of State*
 - ✓ *Integrate with State*



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To determine requirements of the Governments including

- *Political Subdivisions*

- ✓ *For Food*

- ✓ *Clothing*

- ✓ *Necessities of life*





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- *To Plan for and procure supplies, medicines, materials & equipment*
- *To survey industries, resources and facilities within State (Inventory available assets)*
- *To conduct training programs and public information programs*
- *To prepare to mobilize (or partially mobilize) emergency organizations in advance of actual disasters*
- *To insure adequately trained and equipped forces of Emergency Personnel*



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To conduct the evacuation and reception of civilian population

To provide for shutting off water mains, gas mains, electric power connections and suspension of all public utilities during drills or attacks

To create and establish Mobile Support Units

To cooperate with the President, Armed Forces and FEMA (and all other agencies involved)

To appoint full & part time emergency Directors (and Regional Directors)

To utilize existing services & facilities of the State and Political Subdivisions

To enter into reciprocal aid agreements or components with State and Federal Governments

- *Furnishing food, clothes, medicine, supplies, etc.*
- *Reimburse cost of _____*