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Federal Emergency Management Agency

- What is FEMA

Who we are and what we do

- Why use www.fema.gov

Successes

Organization

FEMA - Who we are...

- An independent Federal agency
- Director of FEMA, James Lee Witt, holds a cabinet level position.
- Annual Operating Budget - \$420 Million
- 1998 Federal Disaster Costs - \$3.5 Billion
- Employees

2500 Full-time

6000 temporary disaster assistance employees

- FEMA handles an average of 60 disasters per year

FEMA - What we do...

- Recommend ways to reduce losses of life and property in the event of a disaster.

Training, Out Reach, and Partnering

National Flood Insurance Program

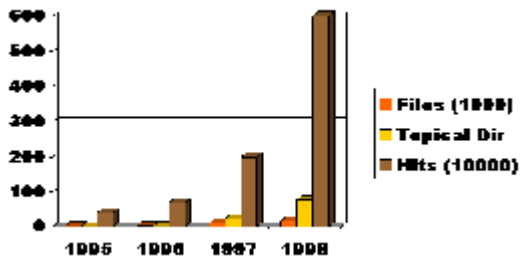
Project Impact

- Assist in the response and recovery effort after a disaster.

Why use www.fema.gov

- To obtain accurate, official and timely information in matters relevant to FEMA's responsibilities
- To review day by day accounts of major disasters

How we've grown...



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Organization Features

- Side navigation
- Banner navigation
- Master Index (A - Z)
- Color Code Scheme (darker to white)
- Search Engine (multiple)
- E-mail Lists

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Highlights...

- Oklahoma City bombing tragedy
- Tropical Storm Archives
- Disaster Map
- Kids Section - FEMA for Kids
- US Fire Administration
- Special Programs

Year 2000

Project Impact



Oklahoma City Bombing Archive

In memory of all who perished, with hopes and prayers for those who were injured, and with admiration for all who came to their aid at the Murrah Federal Office Building, Oklahoma City, on April 19, 1995.

- [Oklahoma City Bombing](#) (April 19th, 1995)
- [Oklahoma City Bombing News Releases](#)
- [Oklahoma City Bombing Disaster Photo Archives](#)

Oklahoma City Updates

[April 21st, 1995](#)

[April 23rd, 1995](#)

[April 26th, 1995](#)

[April 27th, 1995](#)

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Reflections on Oklahoma City Disaster One Year Later,
Remarks by James Lee Witt, FEMA Director

Updated: April 9, 1998

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PRESIDENTIAL RADIO ADDRESS SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 1995

PRESIDENT CLINTON. We are especially concerned about how the children of America are reacting to the terrible events in Oklahoma City.

Our family has been struggling to make sense of this tragedy. And I know that families all over America have as well. We know that what happened in Oklahoma is very frightening. And we want children to know that it's okay to be frightened by something as bad as this. Your parents understand it. Your teachers understand it. And we're all there for you. And we're working hard to make sure that this makes sense to you and that you can overcome your fears and go on with your lives.

The First Lady has been very worried about all the children of our country in the aftermath of this tragedy. And she wants to talk with you too today.

MRS. CLINTON. I know that many children around the country have been very frightened by what they have seen and heard, particularly on television in the last few days. And I'm sure that you, like many of the children I've already talked to, are really concerned because they don't know how something so terrible could have happened here in our country.

Archive Hurricane Bonnie Advisories and Tracking Maps

Advisories

- [Advisories for Aug. 20, 1998 - Aug. 27, 1998](#)
- [Advisory for Aug. 23, 1998 P.M.](#)
- [Advisory for Aug. 23, 1998 A.M.](#)
- [Advisory for Aug. 22, 1998 P.M.](#)
- [Advisory for Aug. 22, 1998 A.M.](#)
- [Advisory for Aug. 21, 1998 P.M.](#)
- [Advisory for Aug. 21, 1998 A.M.](#)
- [Advisory for Aug. 20, 1998 P.M.](#)
- [Advisory for Aug. 20, 1998 A.M.](#)

Maps

- [Watch/Warning Map](#)
- [Strike Probability Map](#)

Tracking Maps Courtesy of University of Hawaii

[Tracking Map for August 24](#)

[Tracking Map for August 23](#)

[Tracking Map for August 22](#)



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Tennessee Emergency Management Agency

Read Audio Transcript File of
 Federal Emergency Management Agency
 Press Conference

Federal/Tennessee State Tornado Aid More Than \$16 Million
 Nashville, TN March 15, 1999 -- Tornado disaster victims in Tennessee have received a total of \$16.1 million in aid as of today.
More

FEMA/State Disaster Recovery Centers Set to Close
 Nashville, February 23, 1999 -- Residents who sustained losses or damage as a result of the recent tornadoes have just
Federal Grants, Loans in

Disaster Recovery Centers to Open Monday in Jackson and Clarksville
 Nashville, January 29, 1999 -- State and federal disaster management officials will open Disaster Recovery Centers in Jackson and Clarksville Monday in order to answer questions and register applications for assistance available to residents who suffered losses in recent tornado strikes. **Details**

FEMA to kids

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Online Safety Rules

Floods, wildfires, hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes and winter storms are natural disasters that happen in the United States. The Federal Emergency Management Agency -- FEMA -- helps people who have been in a disaster. We also teach people what to do during a disaster and what to do BEFORE a disaster.

You can help your family prepare for a disaster. With this site, you can also learn about what causes disasters, play games and read stories from children who have been through a disaster. You can also become a Disaster Action Kid!

Disasters are a serious subject, but you can have fun learning about them! Click on the tornado and explore the site.

Rejoices Parents & Teachers

- [Join Our Mailing List!](#)
- [How Schools Can Become More Disaster Resistant](#)
- [World Disaster Reduction Day](#)
- [Parents Guide to the Internet](#)
- [Upcoming FEMA Courses for Administrators and Educators](#)
- [After a Disaster](#)
- [Disaster Resources](#)
- [Curriculum and Activities](#)
- [Earthquake Preparedness: What Every Childcare Provider Should Know](#)
- [Fire Safety Factsheets](#)
- [How to Talk to Children about the Threat of Biological Warfare or Terrorist Attack](#)
- [Viewing Our Site: Helpful Hints](#)
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USFA provides national leadership in fire training, data collection, technology and public education and awareness, supporting the efforts of local communities to save lives and reduce injuries and property loss due to fire.

What's New Monday, April 19, 1999 USFA Spotlight Un...

USFA Begins New Smoke Detector Study

WASHINGTON — USFA is starting a year-long study to estimate the impact of smoke detectors on residential fires. Ten states with high residential fire rates have been invited to participate in the study.

New Games and Quizzes Added to Kids Page

The USFA Kids Page now includes a new Home Fire Safety Page, crossword puzzles, an online coloring book, and the USFA Jr. Fire Marshal quiz and certificate.

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Learning Resource Center

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LRC ONLINE CARD CATALOG

As its name implies, the Online Card Catalog (OCC) is the index that provides *intuitive* access only to the collection of the National Emergency Training Center's (NETC) Learning Resource Center (LRC). While the LRC is the on-campus library for the staff and students of the National Fire Academy (NFA) and the Emergency Management Institute (EMI), the OCC will function for Internet users as a database on fire careers and emergency management topics. Its fundamental service to Internet users is one of identification. The OCC identifies published resources on topics of professional interest to fire service and emergency management personnel.

Since the LRC's primary mission is to support the instructional activities of the NFA and the EMI, the OCC reflects that goal. The LRC concentrates on natural and technological hazards but primarily on their social and behavioral sciences aspects. As examples, the LRC has some information on seismology but more on earthquake preparedness; some information on fire protection engineering but more on public fire education. Generally, students at the NFA and EMI are not scientists but practicing emergency managers and first responders. The LRC's collection has been built for these user populations and the OCC will be most useful to them.

What the Online Card Catalog isn't:

The OCC is NOT a full-text database. It contains citations to journal articles, books and reports, not the text of any of those items. At most, some items have abstracts.

- Emergency Services
- Emergency Response
- Press Kit
- Bulletin/Consumers Guide
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Planning
- Preparedness
- Best Practices
- Related News
- Related Links
- Y2K For Kids



Y2K Best Practices Now Online
 Washington, April 12, 1999 -- Find out what your state and local government is doing to plan and prepare for the Y2K computer transition. [More](#)



FEMA and the Year 2000 Initiative
 FEMA supports efforts led by the President's Council on Year 2000 (Y2K) Conversion.

FEMA is also working to ensure that its computer-based systems are Y2K compliant. Reports on FEMA's internal compliance are provided to the President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion through the Office of Management and Budget. [Details](#)

Y2k's Unique Challenges for Emergency Management

New York State Moves into Next Fiscal Year With No Reported Y2K Glitche
 Washington April 5, 1999 -- On April 1, New York was the first state to move into a fiscal year that spans January 1, 2000. [More](#)

FEMA Mission Critical Systems are all Y2K Compliant
 Washington, April 2, 1999 -- Clay Hollister, FEMA's Chief Information Officer, reports all agency mission critical computers are now Y2K compliant. [Audio](#)

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About Project Impact
 In the past 10 years, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has spent \$20 billion to help people repair and rebuild their communities after natural disasters. [Details](#)



Project Impact Update
 Washington, March 11, 1999 -- Washington, March 11, 1999 - The first Hurricane Mae project loan recipients have installed a hurricane resistant roof to protect their home from possible hurricane damage. [More](#)

FEMA: Allegany County, MD and FEMA WATER Day - Watershed

Project Impact to clear Licking County logjams
 Newark, Ohio April 8, 1999 -- The Licking County Commissioners have contracted with two local companies to remove dangerous logjams in the south fork of the Licking River and in Rocky Fork Creek, a major tributary of the north fork of the Licking River. [Details](#)

Important FEMA Telephone Numbers

- FEMA general publications:

(800) 480-2520

- Y2K Bulletin - A Consumer Guide

(888) 261-6214

- Project Impact - Building Disaster-Resistant Communities

(800) 227-4731

- Taking Shelter From the Storm - Building a Wind Resistant Safe Room

(888) 565-3896

- Information Hotlines:

Y2K Information

(888) 872-4925

Map Service Center (for flood insurance rate maps & related floodplain map material)

(800) 358-9616

National Flood Insurance Program

(800) 427-4661