

# 2023 Iowa Homeland Security Conference

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**Session Title:**

Planning to Recover from Disaster

**Speaker(s) & Professional title:**

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**Summary:**

With the 2023-2027 Local Recovery Planning Initiative well underway, it's time to take a step back to get a better understanding of what recovery planning is and how it might be important to the future of communities across Iowa. With a federal, state, and academic perspective represented on the panel, hear more about recovery challenges and successes across the country, gaps in understanding about how to recover from a disaster, and the evolving role emergency managers have in recovery.