

Miami Valley Disaster Recovery Leadership Board Transition Plan

Approved by the DRLB December 2, 2022

The Miami Valley Disaster Recovery Leadership Board (DRLB) was established in March, 2020 to guide and support the long-term recovery efforts in the Miami Valley after the 2019 Memorial Day tornadoes tore through the region. Separate from the Individual and Household recovery under the leadership of the Miami Valley Long Term Recover Group, the DRLB's work is focused on jurisdictional and community recovery efforts. At the time of its institution, it was anticipated that after the individual recovery effort was completed (generally 2-3 years) the community recovery would take an additional six to ten years.

To date the board has provided strategic leadership, oversight and transparency for the community on the long-term recovery efforts. Work has consisted of fundraising to support the Greater Dayton Disaster Relief Fund (GDDRF) and the RETREET program, providing guidance to the Individual Recovery and the Miami Valley Long Term Recovery Operations Group (MVLTRG), and allocating resources for community recovery to jurisdictions directly impacted by tornadoes.

As a result of this strategic leadership and the strong commitment from the impacted jurisdictions to ensure recovery as a top priority, property recovery rates exceed 95% and over \$660,000 to date has been allocated from the GDDRF to jurisdictions and programs to aid in restoring parks, removing blighted structures damaged by the tornadoes, and planting trees at the homes of tornado survivors.

The DLRB has approved recommendations for funding for five projects through the GDDRF. In the three solicitation cycles for funding, we have received a total of twelve projects, three of which were for mitigation which is ineligible for funding per protocols. With each successive round of applications, requests for funding decreased which is not to be viewed negatively. Jurisdictions have availed themselves of alternative funding resources allowing for funds to be used for the RETREET and Pathways to Homeownership programs.

The Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (MVRPC) has worked with all of the impacted jurisdictions to carefully review remaining community recovery needs and has determined there are limited continued needs the DRLB and the GDDRF can address. Given this, the DRLB has moved to conduct a final round of community recovery project proposals to be reviewed and awarded by the DRLB at the December 2, 2022 meeting. It is projected the proposals received during the final round will expend the balance of the GDDRF. In the event that there are funds remaining after this final round, the balance of the GDDRF will be granted to the Pathways to Homeownership program per the DRLB Community Recovery guiding principles.

In addition to the wrap up of community funding, the DRLB is also amending the timeline for the community recovery effort. When the DRLB was established, it was assumed that after the funding for community recovery, the DRLB would move into the next phase of the recovery timeline. Phase Two of the DRLB was to begin January, 2023 with a concurrent reduction in meetings to three times per year. This phase would continue to implement disaster recovery strategies with a focus on resiliency and preparedness planning, and the potential for policy advancement on a regional level. The third and final phase of the recovery timeline was to begin in January, 2026 with another reduction in DRLB meeting requirements to twice per year,

a continued focus on implementation of strategies, evaluation of stages, and planning for sustainability and continuity.

As the leader for long-term community recovery from the Memorial Day 2019 tornadoes, it is the recommendation of MVRPC that the DRLB restructure the remaining two recovery phase timelines into one final phase of board leadership. Due to the closure of the GDDRF, high rate of recovered properties and the early focus on resiliency planning, it is projected that community recovery will conclude well before the completion of the third phase term.

The following page outlines the recommended timeline and work for the Disaster Recovery Leadership Board.

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Updated Recovery Timeline for Board Leadership
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As outlined in the formation document for the Miami Valley Disaster Recovery Leadership Board, the board will provide strategic leadership, oversight, and transparency for the community on long-term recovery efforts. Board members will consist of 16 voting members from local core institutions and community members representing various parts of the impacted jurisdictions with administrative support provided by Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission. Member terms will be 3 years and will match the three phases of the recovery timeline. Members may rotate off the board or be appointed to a new term.

Accordingly, the Disaster Recovery Leadership Board adopts the following updates to the recovery timeline and phases for board leadership:

1. Reduce the number of recovery phases for board oversight from three to two.
2. Board meetings will be held on a semi-annual basis in April and September with the ability to convene an additional session if deemed necessary.
3. Combine DRLB leadership and oversight in Phase Two and Phase Three of the recovery timeline to include:
 - a. Ongoing implementation of strategies
 - b. Focus on resiliency and preparedness planning
 - c. Provide policy advancement on a regional level if necessary
 - d. Evaluate stages
4. Current board member terms may remain effective for one additional year.
5. Given the changing nature of the work, Board members may resign from their commitments to serving the DRLB at any time. The DRLB may recruit and approve its new members.

Miami Valley Disaster Recovery Leadership Board 2023 Proposed Timeline

April 7, 2023 DRLB receives update on the regional resiliency plan. DRLB will have an opportunity to provide comments on planning document.

September 8, 2023 DRLB will evaluate stages

The recovery timeline and phases of board leadership will be reviewed on an annual basis and adjusted accordingly.