The National Disaster Recovery Framework introduces six Recovery Support Functions (RSF) that are led by designated federal coordinating agencies at the national level. RSFs involve partners in the local, state and tribal governments and private and nonprofit sectors not typically involved in emergency support functions but critically needed in disaster recovery. These new partners may include public and private organizations that have experience with permanent housing financing, economic development, advocacy for underserved populations and long-term community planning.

The processes used for facilitating recovery are more flexible, context based and collaborative in approach than the task-oriented approach used during the response phase of an incident. Recovery processes should be scalable and based on demonstrated recovery needs.

Each RSF has a designated coordinating agency along with primary agencies and supporting organizations with programs relevant to the functional area. The RSF Coordinating Agency, with the assistance of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, provides leadership, coordination and oversight for that particular.

When coordinating agencies are activated to lead a RSF, primary agencies and supporting organizations are expected to be responsive to the function related to communication and coordination needs.

**Economic Recovery**

Economic Recovery is the ability to return economic and business activities (including agricultural) to a state of health and develop new economic opportunities that result in a sustainable and economically viable community. The Economic Recovery RSF integrates the expertise of the Federal Government to help local, regional/metropolitan, state, tribal, territorial, and insular area governments and the private sector sustain and/or rebuild businesses and employment and develop economic opportunities that result in sustainable and economically resilient communities after an incident.

**Coordinating Agency:** Department of Commerce

**Primary Agencies:** Small Business Administration; Department of Agriculture; Department of Homeland Security; Department of Labor; Department of the Treasury

**Supporting Organizations:** Corporation for National and Community Service; Delta Regional Authority; Department of Health and Human Services; Department of Housing and Urban Development; Department of the Interior; Environmental Protection Agency; General Services Administration; Department of State

**Objectives:**

- Serve as a vehicle for enhancing Federal interagency coordination, information sharing, communication, and collaboration in both the pre- and post-disaster timeframes
- Support the capacity of local, state, tribal, and territorial governments, nonprofits, and the private sector to produce a multi-dimensional strategy capable of supporting economic recovery and enhancing community resilience