

It's time for a stronger, fairer emergency management system



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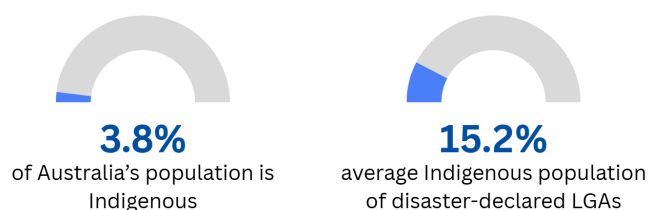
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Foundations in Indigenous disaster resilience

This project aims to understand Indigenous peoples' experiences of disasters, increase the visibility of Indigenous people and priorities across the emergency management sector, and create practical resources to enable emergency service agencies to better support Indigenous people and communities.

Background

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are over-represented in disaster affected populations across Australia.



Indigenous people are also largely absent from emergency management arrangements, policies and practices. At the same time, Indigenous communities and organisations are actively engaged in disaster mitigation, response and recovery.

Despite this growing challenge, there is a lack of research examining the experiences of Indigenous people during times of major disaster.

Description

This project aims to create an ecosystem of authoritative knowledge and practical guidance to enhance policy and practice across the emergency management and disaster recovery sectors.

The project aims to record the experiences of Indigenous communities before, during and after major disasters, promote Indigenous inclusion in disaster response, recovery and resilience, and develop a suite of resources to strengthen Indigenous disaster resilience in Australia.

Outcomes

The project is delivering the following outcomes:

- New evidence and authoritative guidance for the emergency management and disaster resilience sectors
- An Indigenous Disaster Resilience Community of Practice
- Resources to support Indigenous communities and organisations in times of disaster
- A culturally safe, healing-centred and trauma-informed methodology for engaging with Indigenous people impacted by disasters
- A *National Indigenous Disaster Resilience Framework*

National Indigenous Disaster Resilience Framework

With support from the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), the Framework will provide guidance for all jurisdictions to better support Indigenous communities to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters. The Framework will be finalised in late 2026.



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