

In order to appropriately address the disaster needs of the elderly and persons with disabilities, a multi-agency council and taskforce are being established. Through information gathering meetings, the council and taskforce will review the current disaster-readiness status of these populations, profile best practices, and examine their disaster-readiness needs. It is anticipated that there will be recommendations for enhancing the three networks abilities to assist the elderly and persons

with disabilities in disaster preparation, mitigation, response and recovery. It is also anticipated that there will be a Summit to reveal the work of the council and taskforce in fall 2007.

This position would be lead staff for this disaster initiative. The position would provide assistance to the council and the task force as well as any ensuing committees, organize the regional information meetings, research issues, draft recommendations and position papers, organize the Summit, and provide technical assistance and training to county, regional and State organizations.

#### Statutory Reference for Request

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