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ATCS provided the Council of State Community Development Agencies (COSCD A) technical support in preparing and facilitating a Community Development Disaster Conference for Gulf Coast States. The meeting was organized by COSCD A to bring together a group of state community development agencies and affordable housing administrators to discuss approaches and develop lessons learned so that others may benefit from their prior experience in using CDBG, HOME, and other Community Development funding for disaster recovery activities.

Following the Disaster Conference, ATCS and COSCD A also developed a Disaster Recovery Toolkit for State Community Development Agencies. The Toolkit provides guidance to State Community Development Agencies on the issues to consider in disaster-recovery. The Toolkit focuses on the types of assistance provided in the key areas of economic development, housing, infrastructure, and public facilities to allow COSCD A members to better assist their states and local communities with the challenge of organizing and implementing post disaster long-term community recovery. Specifically, the Toolkit focuses on providing information such as: Action Plans; waivers; environmental reviews; leveraging public/private resources; and designing local/state recovery plans and operations.