

KHAERT

The Kentucky Housing Association Emergency Response Team (KHAERT) is composed of Kentucky Housing Association (KHA) member housing authorities who have voluntarily come together to help one another during times of emergency.

During times of an emergency or disaster KHAERT works with member housing authorities to ensure effective and coordinated relief efforts are undertaken.

KHAERT works as follows:

1. The Executive Director determines the existence of an emergency.
2. The Executive Director from the affected housing authority requests assistance directly from a member housing authority.
3. Requesting housing authority determines needs and if necessary negotiates costs for assistance from responding housing authority/authorities.
4. Responding housing authority sends resources to requesting housing authority.
5. Re-evaluation of needs continues throughout emergency.
6. Responding housing authority requests reimbursement, if any.
7. Reimbursement is sent to responding housing authority.

KHAERT players:

- **Requesting Housing Authority:** any member housing authority that is asking for inter-authority assistance under the Compact.
- **Assisting Housing Authority:** any member housing authority responding to a request for assistance from and providing resources to another member housing authority through the Compact.
- **Member Housing Authorities:** KHA member housing authorities who have voluntarily executed the KHAERT Emergency Management Assistance Compact agreeing to the following responsibilities (as defined in the KHAERT EMAC Articles):

KHAERT can be used for any capability one member housing authority has that can be shared with another member housing authority in need of that capability. As long as there is an executive director's determination of an emergency, KHAERT can be called into action and used.