



# Disaster Process Overview



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# State of Alaska Emergency Operations Plan



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## EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

2024

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# Functional Responsibilities



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FUNCTION: Coordination & Control Communications Alert, Warning, & Notification Public Information Public Safety Resource Management Search and Rescue Public Works Health and Medical Services Mass Casualties Mass Care Mass Fatalities Pet Evacuation & Sheltering Evacuation Vol & Don. Management Finance and Admin Services Damage Assessment Recovery Debris Management Natural Resources Transportation Catastrophic Incident Cyber Incidents Terrorism	STATE OF ALASKA	
	<p>P = Primary Functional Responsibility S = Support Responsibility – Entities have potential functions, but may not be activated for all incidents Annexes address specific coordinating and supporting roles</p>	
Office of the Governor	S	S
State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC)	P	P
Dept of Mil & Veterans Affairs (DMVA)/DHS&EM	S	S
DMVA/Alaska National Guard (AKNG)	S	S
Dept of Administration (DOA)	S	S
Dept of Comm, Community, and Econ. Dev. (DCCED)	S	S
Dept of Corrections (DOC)	S	S
Dept of Education and Early Development (DEED)	S	S
Dept of Environmental Conservation (DEC)	S	S
Dept of Fish and Game (DF&G)	S	S
Dept of Health (DOH)	S	S
Dept of Labor & Workforce Development (DOLWD)	S	S



# State Emergency Operations Center



State Emergency  
Operation Center (SEOC)

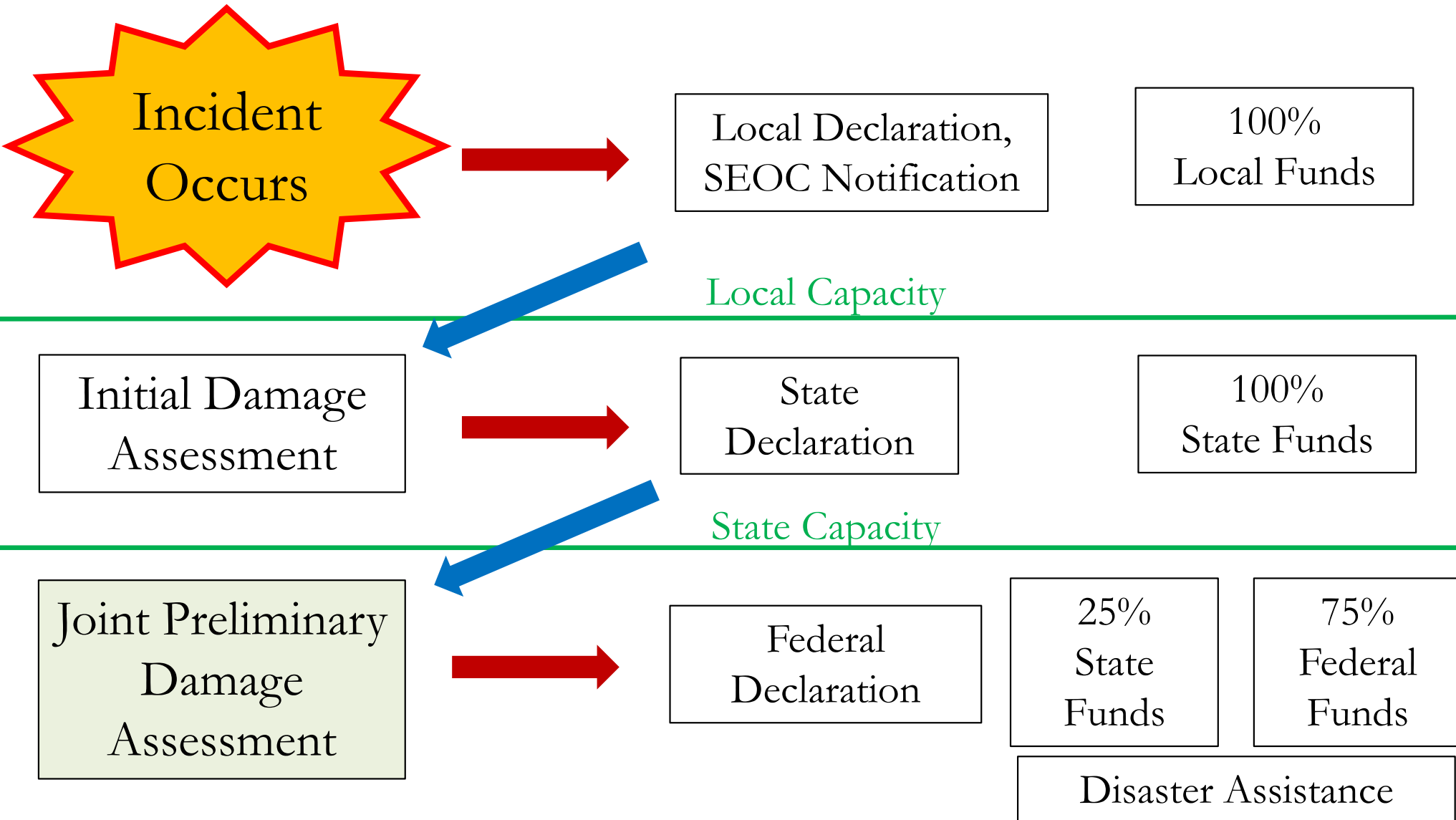


Central coordination for all state  
emergency management, primary  
conduit to Federal Agencies





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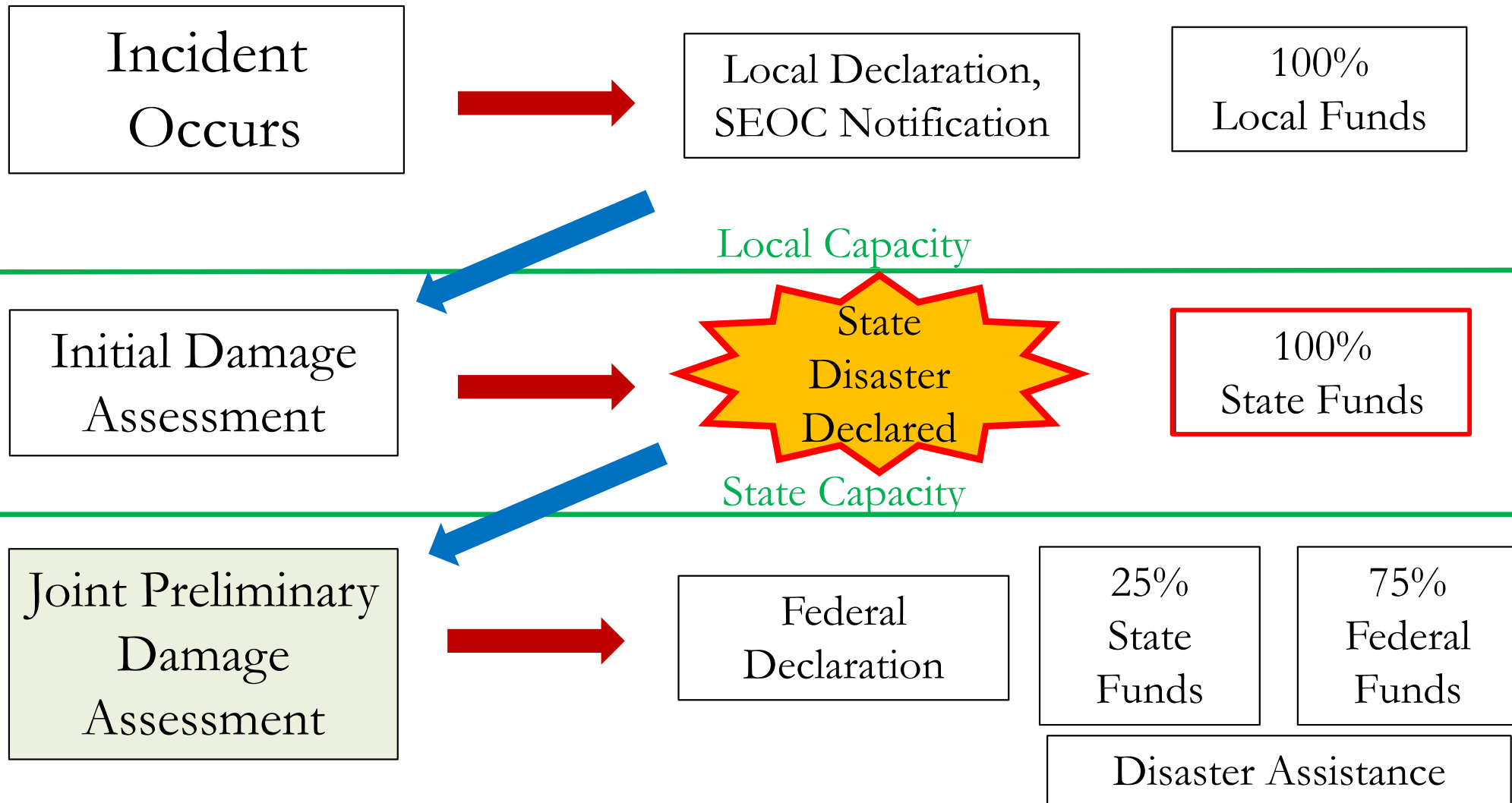
# Disasters



- Governed in statute under AS 26.23, Alaska Disaster Act
- Defined in AS 26.23.900(2)
  - Widespread and severe
  - Resulting from an incident caused by weather, nature, or man-made
    - Oil spill/hazardous material spill
    - Mechanical failure (if not predictable, reoccurring or caused by lack of maintenance)
    - Enemy or terrorist attack
    - Cyber attack
    - Outbreak of disease



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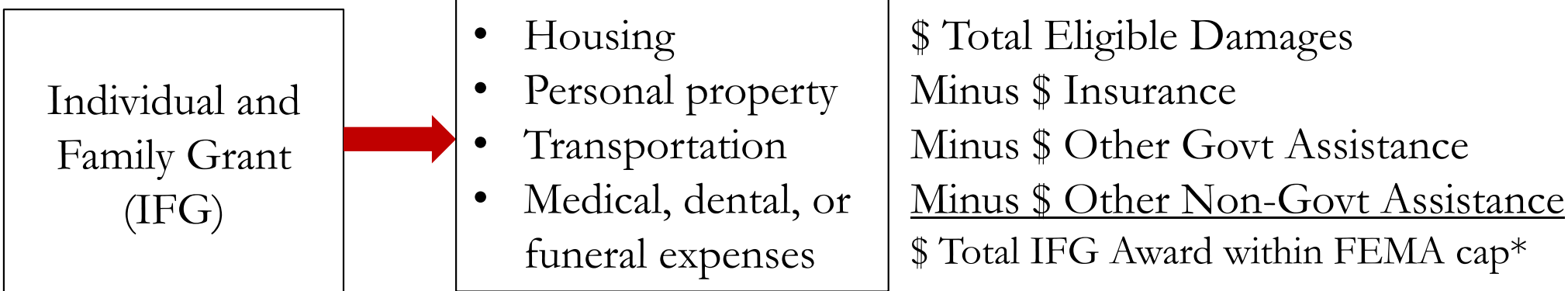
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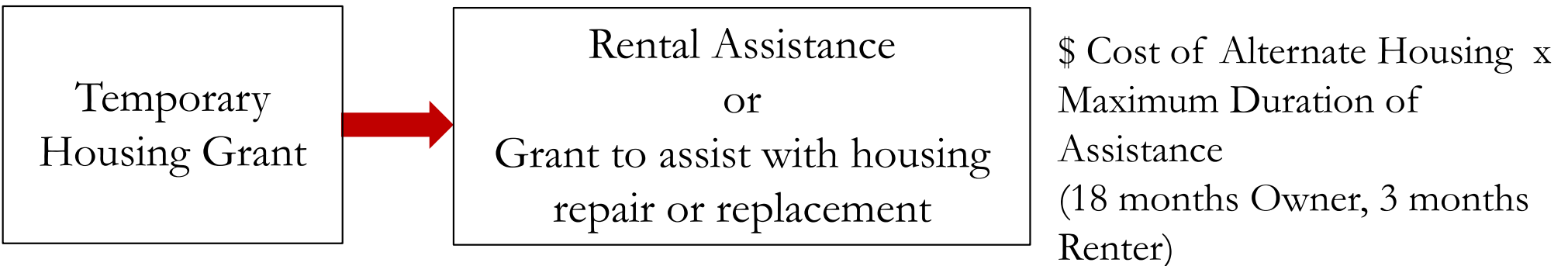
- Disaster declaration authorized by AS 26.23.020
  - Limited to 30 days unless extended by the legislature
  - State funding authority is limited to up to \$1M
  - Can activate state assistance programs
  - AS 26.23.020(g) outlines other authorities of the Governor under a state declared disaster
    - (1) Suspend provisions of regulations
    - (2) Utilize all available resources of state government



# Individual Assistance Program



*\*maximum award changes by year*





# Public Assistance - Project Eligibility

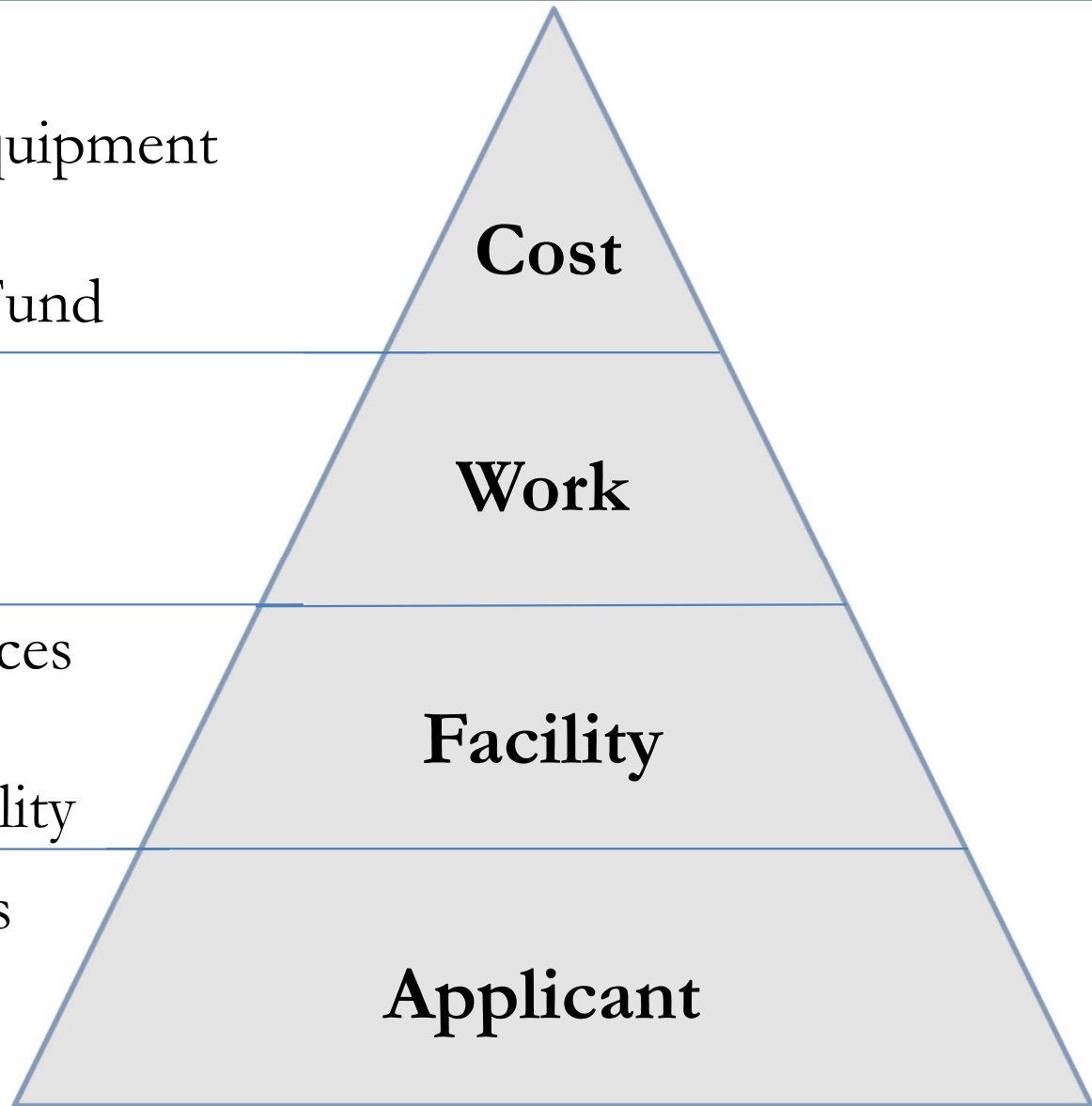


Applicant labor, materials & equipment  
Contracts  
State/Federal Disaster Relief Fund

Direct result of disaster  
in designated disaster area

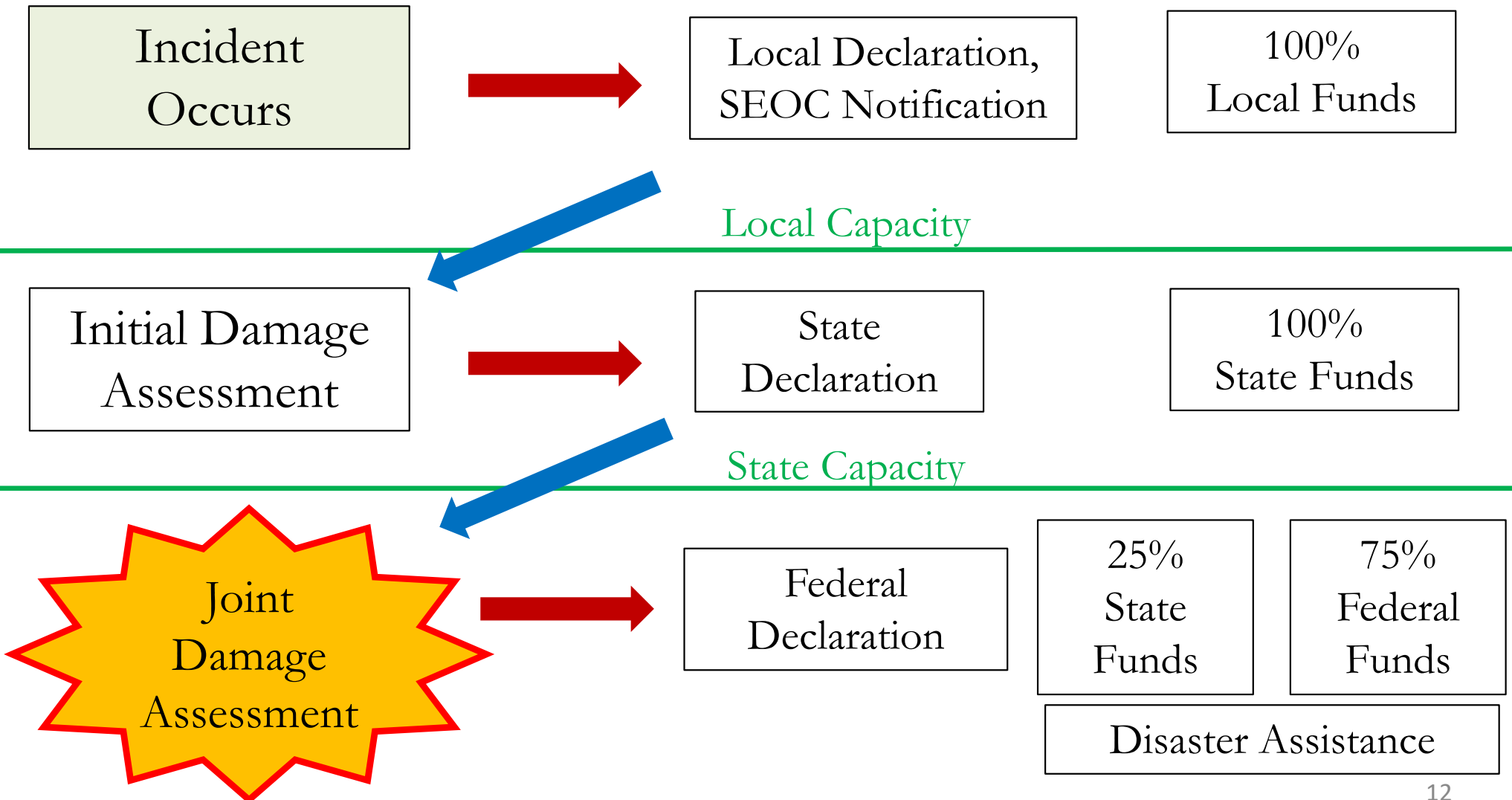
Schools, public works, city offices  
Utility systems/equipment  
Active use and legal responsibility

State / local govt organizations  
Federally recognized tribes  
Certain private non-profits





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