

# Panel 4 Report Back: Rapid Funding

## Top 2-5 Challenges:

- Time it takes to get money to applicants, size of awards, and time frame to complete research
- Awareness of sources of funding
- Coordination and implementation needs, financial support and attention
- Funding needs before disaster-increase infrastructure, baseline data/characterization
- Statutory issues-different disaster funds or sources of funds

## Short & Medium Term Opportunities:

- Other agencies replication most successful funding models
- Holistic approaches to rapid response research
- Make sure health is front and center
- Possibilities to fund experts before the disaster and have deployable teams

## Opportunities:

- Partnering with foundations that are interested in the needs of the communities in order to fill gaps that are necessary to make research impactful
- Community concerns-sustainability and strengthen health systems and give back to the community