Developing Vulnerability and Risk Definitions

In this activity you will develop initial definitions of vulnerability and risk. Following the training, these definitions should be refined by the full working group and a set of working definitions selected and introduced to the steering committee and key stakeholders during SLDs or other engagement efforts. However, we encourage you to allow your understanding and definition of these terms to change over time, influenced by stakeholder input and experience conducting your vulnerability and risk assessments.

IN THIS ACTIVITY YOU WILL:

- Work with your team to develop shared definitions of vulnerability and risk that you can refer back to throughout your resilience planning process.
ACTIVITY 2.1.1: DEVELOPING VULNERABILITY AND RISK DEFINITIONS

INSTRUCTIONS: You are now going to spend time coming up with working definitions of vulnerability and risk that you will use throughout your resilience process.

1. In the space provided below each word, write down the definitions your working group proposes. You can have multiple definitions listed below each word.

2. It is also ok for you or members of the working group to draw images or pictures that come to mind when talking about vulnerability and risk. These pictures or images might help in choosing your city’s definition of vulnerability and risk.

3. As a group, take some time to review all the proposed definitions one more time and then decide which definition is the one you like best and will use as you begin your vulnerability and risk assessment. Circle this definition.

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