Recovery is a Team Effort

It is important to remember the recovering after a disaster takes a team effort. A single department cannot manage the recovery process on their own and recovery may not begin for everyone at the same time. Recovery is usually defined as a return to normal operations after an emergency or disaster. However, depending on the event, recovery may require a department or the university as a whole to identify a “new” normal. Today, we are all reminded of the new normal in which we live. The processes and thinking within the United States changed 18 years ago today on September 11, 2001. Just like 9/11, a disaster at Kennesaw State would require everyone—public safety, academic affairs, housing and residence life, the Dean of Students Office, strategic communications and marketing, counseling services—to be on the same page to return our beloved University to a sense of normalcy and get back to our core mission of educating our student population. We all perform functions that are essential to the success of this University and we must be ready to “reboot” those services as quickly and efficiently as possible after a disaster occurs. We are all in this together and we must plan to do this as a team.

Remember, if you have any questions regarding continuity planning or the OwlReady COOP Tool (which can be found here: https://kennesaw.kuali.co/ready/users/sign_in), please contact James Westbrook, Assistant Director of OEM, at jwestbr9@kennesaw.edu or 470-578-6370.