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## Disaster Recovery Planning: Building an actionable plan for recovering IT systems and applications

From power outages and employee strikes to security breaches, natural disasters, and acts of terrorism, unplanned events can have a profound — even devastating — impact on your organization. While you will never be able to predict or control such incidents, you can develop and maintain an effective, actionable disaster recovery (DR) plan. Such a plan would guide the recovery of your IT and telecommunications systems following a disruption of any size.

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To be sure, effective DR planning is critical to your organization’s short-term and long-term viability. In fact, regulators, customers, and business partners may be demanding that you develop, document, test, and maintain a plan for recovering key components of your technology infrastructure. To meet requirements and follow best practices, your DR

plan should spell out clear steps for minimizing the severity and duration, and consequential impact on your operations, of any business disruption.

### About Allied InfoSecurity, Inc.

An independent company focused only on security and staffed by certified security professionals, Allied InfoSecurity is a consulting and outsourcing provider that helps businesses improve and manage their information security programs, mitigate risk, and respond to regulatory and marketplace demands more quickly and effectively than they could on their own.

However, if you’ve been involved in DR planning, you know that creating and continually enhancing a plan is seldom easy. DR planning often falls to the bottom of the ever-growing “to-do” list. It’s sometimes difficult to corral the needed information from internal sources. And, in some cases, organizations simply lack the depth of expertise needed for effective planning. Thus, most companies benefit from objective, third-party assistance.

At Allied InfoSecurity, our experts stand ready to help with end-to-end Disaster Recovery Planning services. Our comprehensive approach can be customized to meet your organization’s specific needs — whether you’ve been tasked with creating a “from-the-ground-up” plan or updating and enhancing existing documentation.

We excel at all aspects of planning — from conducting training and planning sessions to presenting recommendations, gathering information from stakeholders, developing world-class documentation, integrating information security into the process, and testing that plan through rigorous tabletop exercises. Our team has decades of experience not only building plans, but also executing them during incidents small and large.

Allied InfoSecurity will work with you to establish strategic goals and then develop a project plan to meet them. Following a series of workshops, interviews, and other information-gathering activities, Allied InfoSecurity will write a plan that your organization can count on to guide you through a business interruption.

Ultimately, our Disaster Recovery Planning services empower you to enjoy the benefits of:

- Cost-effective strategies based on well-understood business requirements
- Reduced risk through proven information protection strategies
- Ability to minimize the severity and duration of business disruptions
- Improved coordination with outside agencies during serious incidents
- Personnel who are knowledgeable and well-trained in DR procedures

## A Full Suite of Business Resiliency Capabilities

Disaster Recovery Planning is simply one offering in the Allied InfoSecurity portfolio of Business Resiliency Services. Whether you're building, rebuilding, or simply refining and validating your organization's business and/or technical continuity program, we can help. In addition to Disaster Recovery Planning, our services include:

- Business Impact Analysis — assessing the importance and interdependencies of your business processes and IT systems
- Strategy Analysis — identification and evaluation of the risks and costs of potential resiliency strategies
- Business Continuity Plan — development and/or enhancement of a plan for the resumption of your key business processes
- Pandemic Plan — development of a plan for managing through a widespread medical disaster
- Retained Plan Assistance — uniquely flexible access to Allied InfoSecurity's business resiliency experts who can help you maintain and continually enhance your organization's strategy and plan
- Testing Assistance — expert assistance to maximize the consistency, efficiency, and effectiveness of your testing program

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