



# News Release

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## **Multiple Agencies Aid Earle Recovery Efforts**

LITTLE ROCK – Multiple agencies from across Arkansas have converged on the small town of Earle to aid the community’s recovery efforts from a tornado on May 2.

Earle, home to approximately 3,000 Arkansans, suffered extensive damage. According to Crittenden County OEM Coordinator Ronny Rogers, the tornado damaged 98 homes with approximately 55 of those homes destroyed or uninhabitable. A church was destroyed, and the school and a factory sustained damage.

Currently, crews from the Arkansas Forestry Commission, National Guard Units from Jonesboro and Camp Robinson, the Crittenden County Road Department, the City of Earle, the Arkansas Highway Department and two private contractors are working in the area. Forestry Commission personnel from Jonesboro and Forrest City are cutting up downed trees along roadways for easier removal, and crews are hauling the debris to a central location.