

Gender is revealed as a central organizing principle in social life when the unexpected transforms daily routines, environments, and social institutions. Using experiences from around the world, this book argues for a gendered perspective in disaster policy, practice, and research. From Bangladesh to Scotland, the case studies document the root causes of women's vulnerability to disaster as well as the central roles they play before, during, and after disaster. The contributing authors recommend strategies for policy makers, emergency managers and practitioners to more fully engage women in disaster planning and response.

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