Lutheran Disaster Response: Resource Guide

Ongoing

Generated November 20, 2026 · 44 open facilities · closed facilities are not listed · call before you go: details change quickly

AL

Lutheran Disaster Response – South Mobile County, AL

Volunteer Camp · Open

Faith–Based Disaster Recovery/Rebuilding

13280 N. Wintzell Avenue, Bayou la Batre, AL 36509

Phone 251–824–1154 Contact person: Ruth Bloxham / Fax 251–824–1179 / ruthb@lfcs.org
Hours 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, M–F, CST
Service Temporary

Lutheran Disaster Response – South Mobile County, AL
Street Address: 13280 N. Wintzell Avenue
City: Bayou la Batre
State: AL
Zip Code: 36509
Contact person: Ruth Bloxham
Phone number: 251–824–1154
Best hours to call: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, M–F, CST
Fax number: 251–824–1179

Speciality: Recovery and rebuilding from Hurricane Katrina

Description of volunteer needs: We need volunteers for everything – from beginning to long term recovery: tarping, debris cleanup, & house gutting up to sheetrock, roofing, carpentry, plumbing, etc.

Skills volunteers are required to have: Willingness to do anything that needs to be done

Useful Skills: Drywall finishing, framing, floor underlay

Tools or supplies volunteers should bring: N/A

Will volunteers need to bring any money or material, such as for housing: Bring hard–soled shoes, work gloves

Length of time volunteer can help: 1 day to longer

Size of volunteer team: Varies according to job

Are individual volunteers welcome? Yes

Age restriction, if any: 16 – 18 yrs need adult supervision

Denomination/affiliation, if any: Lutheran but all are welcome

If yes, must volunteer be a member: No

Any other restrictions: No

Housing provided for volunteers, if any: Yes, several churches will provide

Meals provided for volunteers, if any: Yes

Any additional notes: Low income area BEFORE Katrina needs even more help now. Fishing and shrimping industries were very hard hit. PLEASE COME AND HELP. We need your eagerness and energy.

Approximate date the project started: Oct–15–2005
Estimated date the project will end: Oct–31–2009
Information Updated: Jul–11–2006

Services offered: Cleanup, Tree Cutting and Removal, Volunteer Services; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Housing, Volunteer Housing (FREE); Meals, Volunteers, Meals for Volunteers; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Teen Volunteers (This facility accomodates Teen Volunteers)

Campaigns: Lutheran Disaster Response
Updated Sep 26, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/853

Messiah Lutheran Church

Info/Hotline · Open

7740 Hwy 72 West, Madison, AL 35758

Phone Church Office (256) 721–0041
Web mlutheran.org
Hours Hours 8–12
Service Temporary

Disaster Response

So we do not lose heart. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. 2 Corinthians 4:16 & 5:1

http://mlutheran.org/disasterresponse.html

Messiah Lutheran Church serves the area of Madison County, Alabama. Madison County was deeply affected by the tornados of April 27, 2011 that swept across much of Alabama and surrounding states.

The purpose of this page (above link) is to provide news and information and to help coordinate Messiah's response to the disaster. If you would like additional information not found on this page or would like to post a message, please contact the Church Office at (256) 721–0041. You can also stop by the Church office which will be open 8 AM – 12:00 Noon.

Incarnation Lutheran Church will be in need of assistance as their new building was damaged. We well let you know when the needs are made known. They will be worshipping with the Ford's Chapel Methodist Church at this time.

SEE also Volunteer Opportunities at:
http://www.mcvoad.com/

Services offered: Information Resource, County Resources, Contacts & Services (County Level)
Campaigns: 2011 Alabama Tornado; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; Lutheran Disaster Response
Updated Jun 21, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8654

Lutheran Episcopal Services in Mississippi (Alabama Support)

Info/Hotline · Open

AL

Service Temporary

This facility is LOCATED in MS, but is assisting and coordinating with Alabama.
Campaigns: 2011 Alabama Tornado; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Episcopal Services of Mississippi; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated May 21, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8080

AR

VOAD – Arkansas

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
SEE NOTES, AR

Phone SEE NOTES
Web www.arvoad.com
Service Temporary

Posted by NVOAD 1/6/10

http://arkedu.state.ar.us/commemos/attachments/E1–County_Level_Volunteers_&_Services.doc

AR Officer Contacts:

Chair: Ginger Bankston Bailey
AR–CRT/NOVA
arcrt @sbcglobal.net
gbailey @methodistfamily.org

Vice Chair: William 'Bud' Harper
Lutheran Disaster Relief
WHarper01 @aol.com

Secretary: Rev. Maxine Allen
UMCOR mallen @arumc.org

Assistant Secretary: Griffin Coop Arkansas Foodbank Network
gcoop @arkansasfoodbank.org

Treasurer Rev. Steve Copley
Lions Club Alert
scopley438 @aol.com

Assistant Treasurer: Sister Mary Lou Stubbs
Catholic Charities
mstubbs @dolr.org

Advisory Partner: Ron Crane
UAMS
rcrane @uams.edu

Advisory Partner: Richard Griffin
AR Dept of Emerg. Mgmt.
Richard.Griffin @adem.arkansas.gov

Advisory Partner: Marilyn Hampton
ADHS –Division of Behavioral Health
marilyn.hampton @arkansas.gov

Agent of Service: John Nazzaro
Heart of Arkansas / United Way
jnazzaro @heartaruw.org

ARVOAD Member Agencies:

Adventist DR Response
Arkansas 211
Arkansas Crisis Response
Arkansas Foodbank Network
Arkansas Health Department
Arkansas Search Dog Association
Arkansas Department of Emergency Management
Arkansas Division of Behavioral Health
Arkansas United Methodist Church
Arkansas Service Commission, DHS
American Red Cross
Catholic Charities of Arkansas
Cooperative Baptist Fellowship
Department of Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health Services
Heart of Arkansas United Way
Helping Hand
Lions Club Alert
Lutheran Disaster Relief
March of Dimes
Salvation Army of Arkansas
State Division of Volunteerism
UAMS

Services offered: Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Lutheran Disaster Response; March of Dimes; Salvation Army; UMCOR Relief Network; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Jun 13, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2877

AS

VOAD – American Samoa VOAD (VOASD)

Info/Hotline · Open

LTRC, VOAD
Congregational Christian Church of American Samoa (CCCAS) compound at Kanana Fou., Kanana Fou, AS

Phone	684–699–9809
Web	www.asvoad.org
Serves	American Samoa
Eligibility	Impacted by the AS Tsunami

Checks payable to ASVOAD
Service Temporary

In collaboration with other community agencies on the ground, ASVOAD volunteers have been engaged in disaster response and relief since the incident occurrence. The soon shift will give concentration to recovery.

For those persons needing assistance, or have any queries with references to the services that have been made available for our community, please CALL our ASVOAD office for more details --- (684) 699-9809.

SOURCE: Samoanews.com

Press Release December 2009
What is ASVOAD and why is it important to know about them?

After a period of inactivity, the local American Samoa Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (ASVOAD) reconstituted immediately to foster necessary services to the people affected by the tsunami-earthquake disaster of 29 September. ASVOAD began to bring in new members and opened invitations to faith-based, voluntary, and non-profit organizations to spearhead relief and recovery efforts.

The Congregational Christian Church of American Samoa (CCCAS) has established and donated administrative support for ASVOAD, providing workspace and telephone lines. The CCCAS has made available the grounds, staff, and resources of the Church to accommodate the needs of the ASVOAD. The ASVOAD meetings are generally held at the CCCAS compound which also houses the multi-agency donation warehouse (MADW) and facilitates collection, sorting and distribution of in-kind donations.

Reverend Samuelu T. Tialavea, Jr., General Secretary of the CCCAS currently serves as ASVOAD's Chairman. The remaining executive officers are Vice Chair, Mr. Jim Mahoney, President, Rotary Club of Pago Pago, American Samoa; Secretary, Mrs. Faaalu Faletoese Iuli, Executive Director, American Samoa Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence; and Treasurer, Dr. Falema'o "Phil" Pili, American Samoa Community College's Chief Financial Officer.

Other volunteer staffing supporting the executive board are: National VOAD (NVOAD) Point of Contact, Mrs. Evelyn Sa'o-Stevens from the Pualele Foundation; Public Information Officer, Pastor Vickie Haleck, Founder & Executive Director, Teen Challenge; the Territorial Voluntary Agency Liaison (TVAL) & Donations Coordination Team Chair, Mrs. Easter Asi-Bruce, Program Manager, American Samoa Disaster Relief and Recovery Program; and the FEMA VAL, Mr. Charles Craig.

The unique partnerships of ASVOAD and NVOAD enables the leveraging of resources providing the capability to implement the Long Term Recovery Plan (LTRP). The italicized text in the following paragraphs are snapshots from the recently published LTRP detailing ASVOAD activities that have already been accomplished.

The Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) and the Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC) established a strong working relationship with the CCCAS to begin the groundwork for long-term recovery efforts. The MDS has secured housing quarters at one of the CCCAS housing units.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (LDS) responded opening their church halls as shelters. LDS members transported evacuees to nearby shelters, delivered food and water, as well as securing durable medical equipment. The LDS brought in 15 wheelchairs, 20 crutches, and 2 walkers.

FEMA supported ASG by providing a short term housing kit consisting of a two-person tent (Yurt), with a liquid fuel two burner stove, fuel container and fuel lantern and flashlights. 1200 tents were distributed to 657 families. American Red Cross (ARC) also complemented this with a cooler that contained comfort kits, work gloves, hammer and flash lights along with cots. Off-island groups distributed lots of food and supplies.

World Vision, with the Alofa Tunoa Ministries has been in the villages with donations of food, water and personal care packages. The Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief provided purified water at the disaster sites to families with 5-gallon water bottles; they bought the islands entire stock.

The ARC, through the national organization, brought 87 volunteers in from their Disaster Services Human Resource (DSHR) system. ARC also had Americorps volunteers' plus 273 local volunteers. ARC distributed tuna, powdered milk, crackers, spam, sugar, flour, potatoes, onions, rice, 446 cases of dry ramen noodles, 8,721 cases of water and 99,490 snacks. Additionally, ARC strategically distributed by implementing the "Hot Shot" approach, 2,205 blue tarps, 548 sleeping mats, 12,500 trash bags, 443 empty 50-quart coolers and 120 pallets of bulk supplies from Hawaii. ARC was able to serve 65, 288 persons through its bulk distribution efforts.

Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA) also brought in volunteers to support the on-island affiliate Catholic Social Services (CSS). CCUSA also gave $10,000 to CSS.

Save the Children (STC) also distributed 270 kits of school supplies in addition to setting up Child Friendly Spaces at several locations including the DRC.

Tzu Chi Foundation (TCF) distributed debit cards to families identified by ASG. TCF provided $89,400 to 481 families. In-kind donations to various local agencies and to ASG, including food and clothes have also been distributed.

Convoy of Hope and Hands On Disaster Relief groups were on the ground assisting in the relief efforts and bridging relations with ASVOAD to help with recovery initiatives.

Feed the Children one 40–foot container and one 20–foot container, containing 672 mid–weight sleeping bags, 504 duffle bags, 2,304 four–person Coleman dome tents w/carry bag and 5,760 flashlights w/o batteries.

Five Community Resource Sites (CRS) were established in the harder hit villages by ASVOAD through coordination by CCUSA and served as points of distribution for in–kind goods to all villages. The CRS were opened for five days when first launched.

To recap, what is ASVOAD? In a nutshell, ASVOAD is comprised of a diverse and talented mix of experienced, humanitarian, compassionate Samoans anxious to help our island heal by helping to rebuild homes and lives. Why is it important to know about them? The composition of their organization, partnership with American Samoa Disaster Relief & Recovery Program and the national resources at their fingertips gives them the most strategic advance in quality expedition of implementing recovery efforts as outlined in the recently published LTRP.

The Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC) recently formed as well as sub–committees to begin rebuilding homes and lives for our disaster survivors. Look for follow on articles pertaining to the recent creation of the LTRC and sub–committees.

For more information please visit them online: http://www.asvoad.org or contact them at 699–9809.

FROM THE VOAD SITE:

American Samoa
Evelyn Stevens
Vice–President
Pualele Foundation
684–254–0554 or 684–733–0094
ogesosopo51@ yahoo.com

AS VOAD looking for wheelchairs and crutches

The American Samoa Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster is appealing to any families with wheelchairs, bedpans and crutches that are not being used, to please donate them for tsunami victims.

Pastor Vickie Haleck, the public relations Officer for VOAD says many individual who were injured in the tsunami are in need of these equipment.

She says the organization has been able to provide for some victims but there's still a waiting list. Today the AS VOAD is receiving 15 wheelchairs and crutches donated from Samoa. Haleck says these were arranged by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints.

Pasor Haleck thanked the LDS church and the people of Samoa who donated the equipment even though they were also affected by the tsunami.

She said they have already lined up people to receive the wheelchairs and crutches from Samoa and they still need more. If you're able to help please call VOASD at 699–9809 and 254–0554

Services offered: Case Management, Long–Term Case Management; Case Management, LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Counseling, Post Disaster Counseling; Counseling, Spiritual; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Donations, Disaster Fund
Campaigns: 2009 American Samoa Tsunami; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; AmeriCorps; Catholic Charities USA; Convoy of Hope; CWS ~ Church World Service; Feed The Children; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, Small Business Administration (SBA); Hands On Disaster Response; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Lutheran Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Save The Children; Southern Baptist Conference Disaster Relief; Tzu Chi Foundation; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services; World Vision
Updated Dec 22, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4801

CA

Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest/Lutheran Disaster Response

Info/Hotline · Open

Faith–Based Disaster Recovery
CA
Phone (323) 299–0729
Service Temporary

Professional case management services to disaster survivors with special emphasis on helping individuals and families establish their own personal "Long–Term Disaster Recovery Plan," which often includes securing resources, spiritual and emotional care, and acquiring financial support from a variety of sources. LSS–SWalso works with entire communities to facilitate and work with

the formation of long–term disaster recovery committees to help maximize utilization of available resources and minimize duplication of services.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, How to, File Disaster Disability Benefits; Assistance, How To, File Disaster Unemployment Claims; Assistance, How to, File Food Stamp Application; Assistance, How to Find, Emergency Food Assistance; Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, How To, Navigating Disaster Survivor Insurance Process ; Assistance, Referrals, Case Management Referrals; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Case Management, Long–Term Case Management; Case Management, Low Income (Individuals/Families); Case Management, LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, Wildfire Survivors; Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services)
Campaigns: LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Episcopal Services of Mississippi; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest
Updated Dec 9, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3927

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES/CRISIS COUNSELING – INDEX

Info/Hotline · Open

Crisis Counseling
SEE NOTES, CA

Phone SEE NOTES
Serves Sylmar, Los Angeles County, CA
Eligibility Impacted by the 11/08 Sayre Wildfire & 8/09 Station Wildfire
Service Temporary

CRISIS COUNSELING/MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

* Los Angeles Department of Mental Health

The Los Angeles Department of Mental Health is offering free mental health crisis counseling services to victims of the Sayre Fire at two San Fernando Valley Centers.

Location: San Fernando Valley Mental Health Center
Address: 10605 Balboa Blvd., Suite 100, Granada Hills, CA 91344
Phone: (818) 832–2400

Location: West Valley Mental Health Center
Address 7621 Canoga Ave., Canoga Park, CA
Phone: (818) 598–6900

Hours of operation: Both centers are open 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The first 6 sessions are at no cost. Sliding scale is available therafter.

For more information and after–hour services, contact the Department of Mental Health's ACCESS Center at 1(800) 854–7771. The ACCESS Center is open 24 hours a day, including holidays.

* American Red Cross

Red Cross disaster relief focuses on meeting people's immediate emergency disaster–caused needs. When a disaster threatens or strikes, the Red Cross provides shelter, food, and health and mental health services to address basic human needs. In addition to these services, the core of Red Cross disaster relief is the assistance given to individuals and families affected by disaster to enable them to resume their normal daily activities independently.

Eligibility Requirements: Disaster Victims
Areas Served: All areas
Hours: 24/7 365 days a year
Phone: (866) GET–INFO
Web site: http://redcrossla.org/

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Phone: (323) 299–0729 or 1(877) 258–2059
Web site: http://www.lss–sw.org/

* Catholic Charities Counseling Services

The program provides access to affordable counseling services for individuals and their families, especially those who have limited or no financial resources, and provides support to Archdiocesan schools and parishes, especially in times of crisis.

Counseling is available at four sites in Los Angeles and Santa Barbara counties: Pomona, San Pedro, Venice and Santa Barbara. Services include pre–marital and marital counseling, group therapy, crisis counseling, domestic violence counseling, assessment, information and referral.

Our Lady of the Angels Region – Western Area
211 3rd Avenue, Venice, CA 90291 (310) 399–1451

San Gabriel Region
Clinica de Salud – Sagrada Familia
1215 South Hamilton Street, Pomona, CA 91766 (909) 622–2824

San Pedro Region
461 West 6th Street, #202, San Pedro, CA 90731 (562) 862–5750

Santa Barbara Region
609 East Haley Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93103 (805) 965–7045

Web site: http://www.catholiccharitiesla.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=49&Itemid=53#counseling

Services offered: Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Counseling, Crisis Intervention Counseling; Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Counseling, Group Counseling; Counseling, Post Disaster Counseling; Counseling, Support Group * (ANY/ALL Types); Counseling, Support Group (Post Disaster); Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Government, County, Department of Mental Health ; Mental Health Services
Campaigns: 2008 Marek/Sesnon/Sayre – California Wildfires; 2009 Station Wildfire; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities; Catholic Charities Community Services; Catholic Charities Social Services; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Episcopal Services of Mississippi; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest
Updated Sep 7, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3932

CO

Lutheran Family Services of Colorado (COVOAD Member)

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
SEE NOTES, Various, CO
Web www.lfsco.org
Service Temporary

LOCATIONS:

Metro Denver
Administration
Care Management Solutions
Pregnancy Counseling Services
Adoption Services
Development
363 S. Harlan Street, Suite 200
Denver, CO 80226–3552
Phone: 303–922–3433
Toll Free: 800–579–9496
Fax: 303–922–7335

Metro Denver
Foster Care
363 S. Harlan Street, Suite 105
Denver, CO 80226–3552
Phone: 303–922–3433
Toll Free: 800–579–9496
Fax: 303–922–7335

Metro Denver
Refugee & Asylee Programs
Disaster Response Programs
Immigration Legal Services Programs
1600 Downing Street, Suite 600
Denver, CO 80218–1551
Phone: 303–980–5400

Toll Free: 877-372-1264
Fax: 303-980-8588

Northern Colorado
Foster Care Services
Adoption Services
Pregnancy Counseling Services
2032 Lowe Street, Suite 200
Fort Collins, CO 80525
Phone: 970-266-1788
Toll Free: 866-361-6758
Fax: 970-266-1799

Northern Colorado
Refugee & Asylee Programs
Fort Morgan
104 E Kiowa Ave
Fort Morgan, CO 80701
Phone: 970-867-4388
Toll Free: 866-99-LFSCO
(866-995-3726)
Fax: 970-867-5237
Greeley
800 8th Ave., Suite 225
Greeley, CO 80631
Phone: 970-353-5267
Fax: 970-353-5284

Southern Colorado
Foster Care Services
Pregnancy Counseling Services
Adoption Services
108 East St. Vrain Street, Suite 21
Colorado Springs, CO 80903-1161
Phone: 719-227-7571
Toll Free: 877-603-8086
Fax: 719-227-7583

Southern Colorado
Refugee & Asylee Programs
108 East St. Vrain Street, Suite 14
Colorado Springs, CO 80903-1117
Phone: 719-227-7571
Toll-Free: 877-603-8086
Fax: 719-227-7592

Pregnancy Counseling After Hours On Call
Toll Free: 877-270-2193

Services offered: Counseling, Post Disaster Counseling; Counseling, Pregnancy; Counseling, Spiritual; Demographic Served: Children; Demographic Served: Families; Demographic Served: Immigrants; Demographic Served: Teens; Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types); Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Family, Adoption Services; Services, Family, Children, Foster Care; Services, Legal, Immigration Legal Services; Services, Senior Programs
Campaigns: Lutheran Disaster Response; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Sep 12, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6375

VOAD – Colorado Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (COVOAD)

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD (State Level)
CO

Phone 303-935-7389 – Adventist Community Services
Web www.coloradovoad.org
Service Temporary

Members

Adventist Community Services Disaster Response (ACRDS) – ACS Disaster Response is a voluntary service provided by Adventist Community Services to assist individuals, families and communities victimized by natural disasters and unforeseen tragedies.

Amateur Radio Emergency Services
American Humane Association
American Red Cross
Catholic Charities of Denver
Christian Reformed World Relief Committee
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Church of the Brethren Disaster Services

Church World Service – Around the world, Church World Service supports sustainable grassroots development, disaster relief, and refugee assistance, and we educate and advocate on hunger–related issues. In the U.S., we help communities respond to disasters, resettle refugees, promote fair national and international policies, and provide educational resources.

Colorado Association of Food Banks
Colorado Friendship
Colorado Emergency Managers
Cooperative Disaster Child Care
Food Bank of the Rockies
Goodwill Industries – Denver
Jewish Family Service
Life Bridge Church – Longmont
Lutheran Disaster Response
Lutheran Family Services of Colorado
Mennonite Disaster Services
Mental Health Association of Colorado
Metro Volunteers
Mile High United Way
Nazarene Disaster Response (Colorado)
Points of Light Foundation
State Victim Assistance and Law Enforcement (State VALE) Grant Program
The Salvation Army Intermountain Region
The Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
State Animal Response Team
United Methodist Committee on Relief UMCOR

Go to http://www.coloradovoad.org/members.html for links to sites listed above.

Services offered: Documentation, Disaster Planning; First Responder, Mountain States; Training Classes, Disaster * (Any & All Types)
Campaigns: 2010 Colorado, Fourmile Canyon Wildfire; 2012 Colorado – High Park Wildfire; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; CWS ~ Church World Service; Goodwill; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Jewish Family Service; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; Lutheran Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Points of Light Foundation; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
Updated Sep 17, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4817

FL

CREW, INC (C.R.E.W.)

Volunteer Camp · Open

Faith–based, Non–Profit, Disaster Relief
121 Central Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440

Phone	(863) 233–3126
Contact	Renee' Mergott, Case Manager Supervisor
Web	huricanerecovery.blogspot.com/search?updated–min=2008–01–01T00%3A00%3A00–05%3A00&updated–max=2009–01–01T00%3A00%3A00–05%3A00&max–results=32
Hours	daily 8:30am to 5pm M–F
Serves	Hendry, Glades
Checks payable to	CREW

Per 3/16/09 email:

C.R.E.W. in Florida is still looking for Skilled Volunteers to help with roof repairs, flooring, drywall, some plumbing and framing. If you could get this information out we would appreciate the help. We are also in need of funds to purchase the materials

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CREW is a caring network of Hendry and Glades Counties' civic, social services, faith–based groups and agencies, and organizations, along with concerned individuals and business, formed to address the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of the community in the restoration and rebuilding of their lives and homes in times of natural or man–made disaster.

Hurricane recovery is tough and Wilma was devastating to our area. Our community is small and rural but proud and tough. It has been difficult to help so many victims in such a small area. We had over 600 victims in just our two counties.

In 2006 we had 237 volunteers from 8 states give a total of 5480 hours for an in kind donation of $101,380.00. We also were able to close 308 cases by either meeting their needs or finding other agencies that could. We have over another 300 cases that still need help.

You can donate to CREW as well, we survive totally on grants and donations, we really need funds for basic operating costs, as well as supplies and funds to make the repairs on homes destroyed by Hurricane Wilma and other natural and man made disasters.

Feel free to safely donate, we are registered with the Department of Consumer Services, Registration # CH22174.

We need office equipment, such as copier, desks, chairs and locking filing cabinets.

trishadamslcsw@hotmail.com

Services offered: Building Materials / Supplies * (ANY/ALL Types); Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Cleanup, Debris Removal, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, Disaster Debris Removal, Volunteer Services; Construction, Deconstruction Services; Construction, Home Repair Services (For Seniors/ Elders); Construction, Home Repair, Volunteer Services; Construction, Project Managers, Construction, Paid; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Construction Supplies * (ANY/ALL Types); Distribution * (ANY/ALL Types); Distribution, Bulk Distribution; Distribution, Supplies, Local Distribution of Supplies; Donations, Coordination, Large Donation Coordination; Donations, Drop–Off, Collection Site Location; Donations, In–Kind Donation, Services; Donations, Pickup, Pick Up Service; Donations, Pickup, Pick Up Service, Large Item Donation Pickup; Management, Volunteer Coordination Services; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Wilma; Lutheran Disaster Response; UMCOR Relief Network; United Way
Updated Mar 20, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1062

GA

Lutheran Disaster Response (LTRC) Long Term Recovery Committee/Meetings

Info/Hotline · Open

Georgia Tornado Relief Resource Directory
Address not available (yet), GA

Web www.lutheransonline.com/servlet/lo_ProcServ/dbpage=page&mode=display&gid=012860013610262663653560 38
Eligibility Impacted by disaster
Service Temporary

This organization is committed to Long Term Recovery activity and will be hosting LTRC meetings for all groups interested in helping in the recovery. Suvivors that need help are encouraged to come to this group to find out who can serve them.

From the website:
http://www.lsga.org/Programs/disaster.htm

BOB TRIBBLE
btribble @ lsga . org
4439 Parkspring Terrace Norcross GA 30092
United States of America
Phone: 404–725–6328
Fax: 770/447–1581

If you wish to assist, please contact your local congregation or call LSG at 404–875–0201. Your support will be greatly appreciated by those in dire need of our help.

General e–mail: lsg @ lsga . org

Also see: http://www.atlantalutherans.net/

Services offered: Assistance, for non–profits (In General); Documentation, Disaster Recovery Process; Documentation, Volunteer Management Guidance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, for Long Term Recovery Committee Administration/Training; Grants * (ANY/ALL Types of Financial Grants); Grants, Disaster Rebuilding; Grants, Non–Profits Impacted by Disaster; Long Term Recovery Support; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Management, Disaster Consultant; Management, Support, Disaster Response Coordination & Guidance; Management, Volunteer Coordination Services; Management, Volunteer Management Resources; Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or

Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Disaster Response; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Volunteer Training; Training Classes, Disaster Recovery; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Training Classes, Disaster Volunteer Management; Training Classes, Non–Profit Managers; Training Workshops, Disaster Ops, Disaster Rebuilding/Recovery Workshops; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2007 Georgia/Alabama Tornado; 2008 Georgia Tornados; 2008 Hurricane Gustav; 2009 Georgia Storms; 2009 SouthEastern Wildfires; 2009 SouthEast Floods, September; 2011 Georgia Tornados; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Lutheran Disaster Response; UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Aug 19, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1151

IA

Lutheran Services Iowa

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Social Services Agency, Disaster Recovery
P.O. Box 848, Waverly, IA 50677

Phone 866.584.5293
Web www.lsiowa.org/newsdetail.asp?ID=–1561120762
Service Temporary

Lutheran Services in Iowa serves as the local affiliate for Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) in Iowa. LDR and LSI have a long history of partnering in disaster response and preparedness. They are working to address the unmet needs of residents impacted by the storms and tornados here in Northeast Iowa. These efforts support the community long after the cleanup phase is completed. In addition to support from an assigned case advocate, typical assistance may include purchasing a bed or other household items, paying an insurance deductible, paying a utility bill, or addressing a wide range of uninsured or underinsured financial losses.

As a reminder, LSI serves not just Lutherans. LSI serves people of all ages, genders, nationalities, religions, ethnicities and sexual orientations and is affiliated with Lutheran Services in America and three Iowa synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

How to Donate:
Tax–deductible donations can be made to Lutheran Services in Iowa online at:
http://www.lsiowa.org/donate_online_old.asp and select "disaster response" as your designation; by mail to: LSI, P.O. Box 848, Waverly, Iowa, 50677; or by phone: 866.584.5293.

FROM THE WEBSITE:

Lutheran Services in Iowa establishes program to provide aid and support to storm victims

Waverly, Iowa –Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI) mobilized a disaster response program today to provide services on a long–term basis to victims of recent storms in northeastern Iowa.

Designed to address the unmet needs of residents impacted by the storms, this is a program that supports the community long after the cleanup phase is completed. In addition to support from an assigned case advocate, typical assistance may include purchasing a bed or other household items, paying an insurance deductible, paying a utility bill, or addressing a wide range of uninsured or underinsured financial losses.

LSI serves as the local affiliate for Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) in Iowa, which is a cooperative ministry of the three Iowa synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Iowa districts of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. The joint ministry provides efficient use of resources when responding to federally declared disasters in Iowa.

“The efforts of LSI as the LDR affiliate are intended to enhance community, state and federal relief efforts. The unique component of this program is that we’re in it for the long haul. Our expertise is assessing and addressing the long–term needs after initial emergency services responders have completed their work,” said Doug Johnson, president and CEO of LSI. “We provide services when needs exceed resources.”

LSI’s Pastor Michael Stadie, the Lutheran Disaster Response coordinator for Iowa, will work with a group of community leaders to establish local needs and priorities. LSI will coordinate a network of case advocates who will walk with families and individuals through the process of recovery, which according to Stadie, is typically at least a year. Case advocates will help residents with a wide range of activities, from assessing needs to filing paperwork or coordinating direct financial assistance.

LSI is currently seeking donations to address the extraordinary needs in the northeastern Iowa communities. Tax–deductible donations can be made to Lutheran Services in Iowa online at: www.lsiowa.org and select "disaster response" as your designation; by mail to: LSI, P.O. Box 848, Waverly, Iowa, 50677; or by phone: 866.584.5293. Please designate your donation with the words “disaster response" or use our online disaster response form.

LDR and LSI have a long history of partnering in disaster response and preparedness. If you would like to support disaster response on a national level, visit Lutheran Disaster Response at www.ldr.org.

“Our prayers are ongoing for everyone who has been affected by the storms,” said Johnson. “Through collaborative efforts, courage and compassion, these communities will recover and thrive.”

LSI impacts the lives of tens of thousands of Iowans annually through residential treatment, services to families, home health care and mobility solutions, early childhood programs, adoption/foster care services, refugee resettlement, services for people with disabilities, disaster response initiatives and Barnabas Uplift. LSI serves people of all ages, genders, nationalities, religions, ethnicities and sexual orientations and is affiliated with Lutheran Services in America and three Iowa synods of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. LSI is also a partner agency of Iowa KidsNet. To learn more, visit www.lsiowa.org.

LSI supports the courage of children, families and individuals who change and better their lives. A nationally accredited organization with highly skilled professionals, LSI is one of Iowa's largest social service agencies.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Child Advocacy; Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Resource Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Job Placement; Case Management, Long–Term Case Management; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, Refugees/Immigrants; Case Management, Tornado Survivors; Financial Assistance, Case Management for Financial Matters; Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, Utility Bill Assistance; Jobs, Paying; Medical, Services, Home Health Care Services; Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Disabled, Services for the Disabled (See also Senior Services); Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Family, Adoption Services; Services, Family, Children, Foster Care Services (Children); Services, Family, General Family Assistance; Services, Immigration, Refugee Resettlement (See also "Assistance"); Services, Social Services, General Social Services; Services, Substance Abuse, Residential Program (Drug/Alcohol); Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Elder/Senior Volunteers (This facility accomodates Elder Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers); Vouchers * (ANY/ALL Types); Vouchers, Household Items, Vouchers
Campaigns: 2008 MidWest Floods; 2008 MidWest Tornado; Lutheran Disaster Response
Updated Oct 5, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3050

IN

VOAD – INVOAD – Indiana Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD (State Level)
615 West State Street Rm 211, West Lafayette, IN 47907
Phone 765–494–8410
Web www.invoad.com
Service Temporary

For Member Information:

http://www.invoad.com/members.php

http://www.invoad.com/coad.php

Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COADs) bring volunteers together from across the community to increase communication and coordination to reduce the impact of disasters. Anyone interested in setting up a COAD in Indiana is encouraged to contact:

Steve Cain
EDEN Homeland Security Project Director
INVOAD President
Purdue University
Department of Ag Communications
615 West State Street Rm 211
West Lafayette, IN 47907
ph: 765–494–8410 / fax: 765–496–1117
Cell: 765–427–8881
email: cain@purdue.edu

Bringing Construction to the Table
http://www.nvoad.org/Portals/0/Bringing%20Construction%20to%20the%20Table.ppt

Counties with Active Long–Term Recovery Committees
http://www.invoad.com/ltrccounties.php
(SOME have websites)

Services offered: Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC), Unmet Needs Committee Meetings; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic

Charities; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Humane Society of the United States, The; Lion's Club; Lutheran Disaster Response; Medical Reserve Corps; Mennonite Disaster Service; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; United Methodist Disaster Response; United Way; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services

Updated Jun 28, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4731

KS

Kiowa County, Kansas (Resources/Contacts/Updates)

Info/Hotline · Open

County

Greensburg, KS

Web www.kiowacounty.us

UPDATE 5/17/07:

Per a contact at the Church of Christ in Mullinville, KS Tyson Chicken pulled out this week and left their food prep white tent. I don't know if anyone is going to claim it.

Red Cross at the Grammer School in Mullinville is getting ready to pull out of the Gymnasium. Church of Christ in Mullinville, KS will take over the Gym to use for storage and volunteer housing purposes.

Leslie Teltoe

Kiowa County/Greensburg Public Information Update
As of 5/17/07, 9 a.m.

(This information is being transmitted to Greensburg area residents on 1610 AM information)

CONTRACTORS MUST REGISTER: at Greensburg City Hall located at the Southeast corner of the courthouse between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. No contract work will be performed without registration and/or license. Contractors are responsible to hauling the debris from the jobsite.

DEBRIS REMOVAL: Residents are responsible for removal of debris from their property. Government haulers will not remove debris from private property. Debris also should not be placed on or near utilities. Call Greensburg City Hall if you have questions related to debris removal at 620–723–2751. Residents can also call the United Way at 211 if you need assistance in cleaning up your property or removing debris.

JOBS AVAILABLE: FEMA is hiring locally for the Greensburg recovery operations. Currently only Greensburg residents are being considered. However, applications are being accepted from all who wish to apply. Call 770–216–3156 or 417–234–3798. You can also visit Jim Tumser at the Haviland Disaster Recovery Center at Barclay College.

WATER SERVICE RESUMING SOON: Officials will be turning on and testing the water lines North of Florida Street today.

Do NOT drink, shower or bathe with the water until officials announce that it is safe to drink.

Contact City Hall at 620–723–2751 to report leaks

In order to speed up the process of getting potable water restored please do not pile debris on top of water meters
FARM FIELD DEBRIS: Those needing their farm fields cleared of debris should call 314–313–4779 or visit the Volunteer Reception Center at Davis Park.

PROGRESS REPORT:

1,600 loads of debris were taken to the landfill today bringing the total to nearly 8,300

The EMEDS hospital opened today. It is located on US 54 across from the John Deere dealership

Firefighters are making temporary street signs

Electrical power is being restored as quickly as possible

Volunteer Reception Center has processed over 1,215 volunteers who have worked 8,600 hours

There will be increased police patrols in Haviland and Mullinville
Offices for county government are being installed on the west side of the courthouse

PLACARDS REQUIRED IN VEHICLES: Police will be issuing placards that are required to be visible in the windshield for all citizen, volunteer and contractor vehicles. All vehicles must stop and check–in with police at checkpoints to be issued a placard.

SAFETY UPDATE:

Curfew remains in effect from 8:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

You must obey all traffic laws. Law enforcement officers will be strictly enforcing speed limit and other violations.
Be cautious of downed power lines, and treat them as if they were live.

When parking on the roadway, leave room for emergency vehicles and large military vehicles.

While working take frequent breaks in shaded areas and drink plenty of water.

If you feel dizzy, nauseated or experience vomiting you may have heat exhaustion and should seek immediate medical attention.

Due to a lack of shelter in Greensburg, all residents will be asked to evacuate the town to seek shelter if hazardous weather approaches.

Burning is prohibited in the City of Greensburg and highly discouraged in rural areas during times of high winds.

If you witness any arcing power lines, immediately dial 911 or contact the nearest emergency worker

If you find an item that may be dangerous, leave it where it is and notify the nearest law enforcement officer.
Do not enter any building that appears unsafe

Those working in dusty conditions must wear respiratory protection. These masks are available at the Kiowa County Health Department
AVAILABLE FUEL: The fuel point in Greensburg off US 54 is for first responders only. Fuel at this location is not available for any other use.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Greensburg Graduation will be held Saturday May, 19 at 10:30 a.m. for 8th Graders and 11:00 a.m. for seniors at the Golf Course. For more information call the Greensburg School District at 620–675–8836 or e–mail Greensburg@swprsc.org

There will be a funeral service for Harold Schmidt Thursday at 2:30 p.m. at the Haviland Friends Church followed by a burial at Fairview Cemetery in Greensburg.

Attorney General Paul Morrison will be visiting Greensburg today. He will hold a press conference to address potential scams and price gouging.

Kiowa County Commission will be meeting every Monday and Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at the Mullinville High School.
Haviland schools will be hosting a “fun day” for Kiowa County students and staff May 23rd from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Haviland High School football field.

There will be free fencing and fence posts available for those that sustained damage to these items due to the storm Friday at 7:30 a.m. at Pratt Livestock

There are several items of livestock food available for free. If you are interested call 620–723–2897.

All residents that were being housed at the Mullinville shelter have relocated to the shelter in Buckland.

VEHICLE REMOVAL: Damaged or destroyed vehicles in Greensburg that were tagged are being moved to the south landfill.

Owners are NOT responsible for the tow fee to the landfill.
Owners need to coordinate with their insurance company for removal of vehicle from the landfill.

To inquire about a vehicle that was moved call law enforcement command at 785–243–0852.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS: Separate hazardous materials and white goods from debris and leave at the curb for removal. This includes appliances, air conditioners, batteries, paint, pesticides, aerosol cans, propane and compressed gas cylinders. These items will be removed by the EPA.

HAZARDOUS SPILLS: Call 911 if you encounter a hazardous spill or leak. If containers are damaged or leaking, do not handle. You can also contact the EPA Spill Line at 913–281–0991.

WASTE FOOD: Place waste food items in trash bags and leave at the curb. Garbage trucks will be picking up and removing this waste.

GARBAGE BAGS: Garbage bags for putting waste food in for pick–up are available at the Convoy of Hope, the Scientology tent and the Salvation Army on the east side of the County Courthouse.

MENTAL HEALTH: To reach a mental health professional call 785–313–6359

INSURANCE COMPLAINTS: To file a complaint against a private insurance company with the Kansas Insurance Commissioner call 1–800–432–2484.

CHILD SAFETY SEATS: Contact the Kiowa County Health Department for Child Safety Seats at 620–338–4544.

KIOWA COUNTY OFFICES: are set up at Mullinville High School from 9:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

GREENSBURG CITY OFFICES: Are located in trailers southeast of the County Courthouse. They will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily.

STRAY ANIMALS: To report a stray or dead animal or to inquire about a missing pet, call 620–723–2897. All found animals will be at the Pratt County Humane Society, where they will be held for 30 days. For animal boarding needs call 620–672–6777.

VOLUNTEERS: Individuals to volunteer must call 211 (in state) or 1–888–413–4327 (out of state) prior to arrival. Ameri Corp is organizing groups wishing to volunteer. Group leaders must call 314–313–4779.

LOST GUNS: The gun trailer at the KDOT building in Greensburg will be open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Individuals wanting to claim firearms should bring a photo ID, address information and description of the firearm. Serial numbers are preferred and criminal histories will be run on all persons claiming firearms.

LOST AND FOUND: Lost and found items can be turned in and picked up at the Temporary City Hall located southeast of the Kiowa County Courthouse.

AIRSPACE OVER GREENSBURG: is restricted to official aircraft only. Please report unauthorized aircraft to the nearest law enforcement officer and obtain the tail number if possible.

GREENSBURG MAIL: All Greensburg mail is being forwarded to the Pratt Post Office. Residents and businesses in Greensburg may register for a free post office box at the Pratt Post Office.

DISASTER ASSISTANCE: If you have been affected by the disaster in any way, call 1–800–621–FEMA and visit the Disaster Recovery Center known as “the one stop shop,” set up at Barclay College in Haviland. Visit the center or call 620–862–7750 for assistance from: The Kansas Department of Revenue, Department of Health and Environment, SRS, Department of Labor, Veterans Administration, SBA, FEMA, Salvation Army and Red Cross.

Please note: You do not have to wait for insurance payments before contacting these agencies or visiting the center.

Examples of assistance available:

Free legal assistance
Tax Credits
Food Stamps
Cash Assistance
Crisis Counseling
Disaster Unemployment
Drivers’ licenses and vehicle registration
Copies of vital documents such as birth or marriage certificates
A Salvation Army Store

FEMA ASSISTANCE: To register for FEMA assistance call 1–800–621–FEMA or go online to www.fema.gov, or apply in person at the FEMA trailer by the Kiowa County Courthouse in Greensburg. Edwards, Pratt and Stafford counties are approved for individual assistance. These counties’ residents may use the Disaster Recovery Center located in Haviland.

HOUSING OFFERED BY USDA: Individuals interested in learning more about the USDA Rural Development’s Housing program should contact 785–628–3081 or 1–800–338–5546.

SBA DISASTER ASSISTANCE: Offers low–interest disaster loans to homeowners, renters, businesses and private non–profit organizations. Call 1–800–659–2955.

DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS: Will be providing transportation to and from the VA Medical Center in Wichita for those needing prescription refills or medical care. Disaster recovery relief for disabled veterans is also available. For more information call 316–688–6722.

CLOTHING AND PERSONAL ITEMS: Are available at the Mullinville and Haviland United Methodist Churches between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

FREE PHONES: AT&T has set up free phones on the west side of the courthouse for residents and responders to use.

Housing assistance:
USDA Rural Development will offer housing to eligible Kansans impacted by the tornado. The housing assistance, subject to availability, will utilize USDA–financed rental housing facilities in rural communities across Kansas. Maximum income limits in Kiowa County for a family of two range from $37,400 to $38,900 and for a family of four from $45,350 to $47,250. Call the Hays office at 785–628–3081, the Iola office at 620–365–2901 or the Manhattan office at 785–776–7582.

Peoples Bank customers:
Greensburg customers can contact The Peoples Bank in Pratt at:

620–672–5611, 1–800–362–2625 or on the internet at: BelleBank.com.

Telephone service:
AT&T has made arrangements for Greensburg storm victims to receive call forwarding at no charge. Request by calling 1–800–464–7928. Eight public phones have been installed west of the courthouse where anyone can make local or long distance calls in the United States without charge.

Newspaper:
The Kiowa County Signal will be published from the:

Pratt Tribune Office
320 South Main

E–mail should go to: editor@kiowacountysignal.com

Postal mail can be sent to:

The Pratt Tribune,
P.O. Box 909
Pratt, KS 67124

GREENSBURG. KS CITY CONTACTS:

MAYOR: Lonnie McCollum

CITY ADMINISTRATOR: Steve Hewitt
239 So. Main
Greensburg, KS 67054
(620) 723–2751

SHERRIFF: Galen Marble
UNDERSHERRIFF: Thomas Burns
200 E. Wisconsin
Greensburg, Kansas
(620) 723–2182

HAVILAND CITY OFFICES:

City Hall
109 N. Main
Haviland, KS
(620(862–5317

Community Room
Haviland, KS
(620) 862–5317

Public Housing:
College Hill Apartments
300 E. Elm
Haviland, KS
(620) 862–5600

SHELTERS/RED CROSS/KIOWA COUNTY, KS:

Greensburg originally set up a shelter at Barclay College, but it became so crowded they have been moving those people to a shelter at Haviland High School.

The Macksville shelter set up at St. John Oddfellow Lodge at 700 West 1st St. has been closed due to lack of residents. Those rescue efforts have been moved to Haviland to help with the shelter there.

Another shelter has been set up at the Mullinville High School in Mullinville.

Red Cross Command Center/Shelter:
Haviland High School
300 North Topeka

Haviland, KS 67059
Gymnasium: (620) 862-9890

Red Cross Shelter
Barclay College
607 No. Kingman
Haviland, KS 67059
(620) 862-5252 / 1-800-862-0226
NOTES: Per Lois/Haviland Friends Church was sheltering 10 people on 5/5/07 – Became too crowded so people were moved to Haviland High School

Red Cross Shelter
Haviland Friends Church
205 N Kingman
Haviland, KS 67059
(620) 862-5258
Contacts: Lois (Also works at Barclay College)
Pastor: Everett Jantz (Karen)
NOTES: On 5/5/07 was sheltering 29 people (see their facility record)

21st Century Learning Academy Charter High
200 S. Main
Mullinville, KS 67109
(620) 548-2289

RED CROSS CHAPTERS/KIOWA COUNTY, KS:

American Red Cross
Cannonball Trail Chapter
114 N Main, Suite B
Pratt, KS 67124
E-mail: ctarc@redcross.kscoxmail.com
(620) 672-3651

FIRE DEPARTMENTS:

Kiowa County Fire Chief: Earl Anderson
Office phone number (620)723-2203

Haviland Volunteer Fire Department
104 North Main Street
Haviland, KS 67059
(620) 862-5317
Fire Chief: David Getting
NOTES: All volunteer/9 volunteers total

Mullinville Volunteer Fire Department
217 S. Main
Mullinville, KS
(620) 548-2200
Fire Chief: Cody Sherer

Greensburg Volunteer Fire Department
200 W. Wisconsin
Greensburg, KS
(620) 723-2203
Assistant Fire Chief: Jay Koehn

KIOWA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MEDICAL SERVICES
501 S Walnut
Greensburg, KS 67054
NON-EMERGENCY 620-723-3341
Website: http://www.kcems.com/
Email: info@kcems.com
(See facility record)

Senior Center
203 N Main
Greensburg, KS

(620) 723–2288
Director: Mary Marble

KIOWA COUNTY HEALTH/MEDICAL FACILITIES:

HAVILAND, KS:

Haviland Clinic
(A Department of Kiowa County Memorial Hospital)
106 North Main
Haviland, KS 67059
(620) 862–5431
Clinic Office Hours
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

GREENSBURG, KS:

Kiowa County Memorial Hospital
501 So. Walnut
Greensburg, KS
(620) 723–3341
501 S. Walnut
NOTES: Partial roof collapse / All patients evacuated to
Pratt Regional Medical Center in Pratt, KS/Pratt County

Iroquois Mental Health Center
610 E. Grant
Greensburg, KS
(620) 723–2272

Public Health Kiowa County Health Department
211 East Florida
Greensburg, Kansas 67054
Located on the lower level in the County Courthouse Building
(620) 723–2136
Clinic Hours:
8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Monday through Friday
Closed During the Noon Hour
Mitzi Hesser, RN / Lisa Waters, RN
Open Clinic Day every Tuesday
NOTES: All pharmaceuticals were moved Sat. 5/5/07 from the
Kiowa County Memorial Hospital

Assisted Living/Carriage House
723 S. Elm
Greensburg, KS
(620) 723–3400
NOTES: "We're getting reports now that 28 residents of the
Carriage House retirement home weathered the storm. All
residents are said to be okay, but are relocating to
Lakepoint facilities in Augusta, Rose Hill and Wichita.
Relatives can call (316) 775–6333 for more information."

KIOWA COUNTY, KS SCHOOLS:

Greensburg, KS District Info Hotline: 1–877–837–5231

MESSAGE FROM GREENSBURG SCHOOL STAFF/USD422:

by STAFF
May 05, 2007

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS HAS SET UP RELIEF STATIONS IN MULLINVILLE AND HAVILAND TO AID THOSE AFFECTED BY THE TORNADO THAT DEVASTATED GREENSBURG, KANSAS ON MAY 4, 2007. IF YOU ARE ATTEMPING TO REACH A LOVED, PLEASE CALL HAVILAND HIGH SCHOOL AT 620–862–9890.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ALL OF THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES, THEIR HOMES AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS.

The administration of GHS would like to send the message of hope and perseverance. In the spirit of not dropping our heads and letting this tragedy get us down, GHS would like to encourage the Ranger student athletes to continue to compete in their respective sports. We would also like to relay to seniors that we will hold a graduation ceremony. Details about graduation will be posted as soon as we get everything arranged.

Due to the fact that everyone is scattered, we will attempt to keep as many people up to date right here on usd422.org. We will be posting leave times and a place of meeting as soon as we know something concrete. Here is what we know as of Sunday night (5/6/07):

–the softball game scheduled for Monday has been cancelled

–the league golf tournament scheduled for Monday has been moved to Thursday, May 17. Departure TBA.

–the league track meet scheduled for Friday is still on. Every attempt will be made to contact as many track athletes as possible. Departure TBA.

We are also in contact with a sporting goods chain and other possible assistance for those athletes needing items such as shoes, clubs, clothes, etc.

Any questions may be sent or called to Marshall Ballard at marshallballard@usd422.org, 620–862–5621, or 620–388–2880.

Golf team can contact Coach Roe at 620–532–1043.

Track team can contact Coach Hoover at 620–324–5455. Again,

I will do my best to keep the site updated as new information becomes available.

Contact Marshall Ballard at:
marshallballard@usd422.org
620–862–5621, or 620–388–2880 to donate sports equipment and uniforms for students who lost everything and are still participating in school sports events.

NOTE: Greensburg Schools are shut down for the remainder of this '07 school session. Graduation Ceremony details to be announced.

Greensburg High School
420 So. Main
Greensburg, KS
(620) 723–2164
Superintendant: Darin Headrick
Principal: Randy Fulton

Greensburg Junior High School
600 So. Main
Greensburg, KS
(620) 723–2332
Principal: Staci Derstein

Greensburg Grade School
Delmer Day Elementary School
600 So. Main
Greensburg, KS
(620) 723–2332
Principal: Staci Derstein

Kiowa County Learning Center
216 So. Main
Greensburg, KS
(620) 723–7004
Director/Instructor: Susan Staats
Para–Professional: Sheryl Christenson

Valley View Christian School (Private)
Route 1
Greensburg, KS
(620) 723–3198 or (620) 723–3192

HAVILAND:

Haviland Schools District Office
104 E. Walnut
Haviland, KS
620–862–5256
620–862–5240 (fax)
Superintendent: Mike Waters

Haviland High School
300 N Topeka
Haviland, KS 67059
(620) 862–5217
Principal: Eric Reid
Grades 9–12 (79 students enrolled)

Haviland Grade School
400 N. Topeka
(620) 862–5277
Principal: Eric Reid

Principal for both schools above: Eric Reid
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Haviland, KS
620–862–5278

MULINVILLE:

21st Century Learning Academy & Charter School
200 Main
P.O. Box 6
Mullinville, KS 67109
Phone Number: 620–548–2289
Toll Free Number: 877–685–5468
Email: jonesm@mullinville.org

Mullinville School/USD 424
PO Box 6
Mullinville, KS 67109
Phone:(620)548–2217
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KIOWA COUNTY LIBRARIES:

Main Branch
120 S. Main
Greensburg, KS
Hours: Monday – Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Librarian: Debie Allison

Haviland Branch
115 N. Main
Haviland, KS
Hours: Monday – Friday 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Librarian: Delores Williams
Available Amenities:
Books for Adults and Children, Audio Books on cassette and
CD, Local Newspapers, Magazines, Videos, Tax Forms, Copier,
Computer, Internet Access, Interlibrary Loan, and much more...

Mullinville Branch
115 N. Main
Mullinville, KS
Campaigns: 2007 Greensburg Kansas Tornado; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross / Int'l

Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; AmeriCorps; Church of Christ Disaster Relief Effort; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Lutheran Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Salvation Army; Samaritan's Purse; UMCOR Relief Network; United Methodist Disaster Response; United Way; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
Updated May 18, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1414

South Central KS Tornado Recovery Organization (SCKTRO) – Greensburg

Volunteer Camp · Open

LTRC
(Banco Insurance Building); 201 N Main St.; PO Box 208, Haviland, KS 67059

Phone 620–723–3155 or 620–862–5882
Web www.scktro.org/index.html
Hours 9 am –5 pm, Mon–Fri, CST
Serves Kiowa, Commanche, Edwards, Pratt, Stafford Counties
Eligibility Impacted by the 5/07 Greensburg Tornado
Service Temporary

FROM THE SITE:

WE CAN PROVIDE

Repair/Rebuilding Assistance –– Volunteer Labor –– Donated Goods –– Spiritual/Psychological Referrals

FROM DNN:

Street Address: 201 N Main St., PO Box 208
City: Haviland State: KS
Zip Code: 67059 Country: USA

Contact person: Matt Deighton or Kathleen Blair
Phone number: 620–723–3155 or 620–862–5882
Best hours to call: 9 am –5 pm, Mon–Fri, CST
E–mail Address: scktro@havilandtelco.com
Is E–Mail address read daily? Yes
Website address, if any: www.havilandtelco.com/~scktro/

Counties Served: Kiowa, Comanche, Edwards, Pratt, & Stafford Counties of Kansas

Speciality: Recovery & Rebuilding from May 4–5, 2007 Tornadoes

Description of volunteer needs: Skilled and unskilled labor for building & rebuilding homes

Skills volunteers are required to have: None

Useful Skills: Any building/construction related skills

Rural/Farm related volunteers needed: Yes, please call for specifics Tools or supplies volunteers should bring: Bring building/construction tools related to jobs you can do.

Will volunteers need to bring any money or material, such as for housing: Bring money for food. Bring bug spray, sunscreen, sturdy shoes; sleeping bags or bedding. Any donation for purchasing building materials would be welcome, but is not necessary.

Length of time volunteer can help: 1 full day to longer

Size of volunteer team: Depends on housing space

Are individual volunteers welcome? Yes

Age restriction, if any: Minimum 16 years old

Denomination/affiliation, if any: None required. We are multi–denominational.

If yes, must volunteer be a member: No

Any other restrictions: Tetanus shot recommended

Housing provided for volunteers, if any: Yes, we will provide in coordination with area churches. Bring sleeping bags or bedding.

Meals provided for volunteers, if any: Possible, please all for specifics.

Any additional notes: Please come and help this area devastated by May tornadoes. We need your help to recover. Thank you.

Approximate date the project started: May–07–2007
Estimated date the project will end: Dec–31–2008
Information Updated: Nov–28–2007

Services offered: Assistance, Referrals, Case Management Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Counseling, Disaster Survivor Counseling Referrals; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Construction, Home Repair, Volunteer Services; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Donations * (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Housing, Volunteer Housing (FREE); Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC), Unmet Needs Committee Meetings; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers); Volunteers, Teen Volunteers (This facility accomodates Teen Volunteers)
Campaigns: 2007 Greensburg Kansas Tornado; American Baptist Churches–USA; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Church of Christ Disaster Relief Effort; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; CWS ~ Church World Service; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Lutheran Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Salvation Army; Southern Baptist Conference Disaster Relief; UMCOR Relief Network; United Way
Updated Dec 13, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2835

Our Saviors First Lutheran Church (LDR)

Info/Hotline · Open

Church
Second and Thompson, Pratt, KS 67124
Phone (620) 672–6203
Checks payable to LCMS World Relief and Human Care

Per call to Rocky Mease/Lutheran Chaplain for Our Saviors 5/10:

Currently has a team cleaning up the Peace Lutheran Church in Greensburg (See private/internal use contact notes for additional details)

Our Saviors Lutheran Church
Second and Thompson
P.O. Box 192
Pratt, KS 67124
Pastor: Rev. Timothy J. Henning

Lutherans Assess Storm Damage in U.S. Great Plains
From <NEWS@ELCA.ORG>
Date Mon, 7 May 2007 17:20:08 –0500

Title: Lutherans Assess Storm Damage in U.S. Great Plains
ELCA NEWS SERVICE

May 7, 2007

Lutherans Assess Storm Damage in U.S. Great Plains 07–080–MRC

CHICAGO (ELCA) –– Preliminary damage assessments are under way after severe storms struck the U.S. Great Plains May 5–6. At least 10 people were killed and dozens of others were injured as storms spawned about 75 tornado touchdowns in Kansas and Oklahoma, according to Heather L. Feltman, executive director, Lutheran Disaster Response –– a collaborative ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod (LCMS).

"The majority of the media coverage for these storms has focused on Greensburg, Kansas," said Feltman. About 90 percent of the town's infrastructure was lost. Greensburg is closed except to its 1,500 residents and search and rescue teams. Disaster response

volunteers are not being allowed access while the emergency phase of the disaster continues, she said.

Roger Kruger, Lutheran Disaster Response coordinator, traveled to the affected region May 7 to perform initial assessments and to connect with disaster partners in the area. On May 8 local Lutheran clergy and representatives from the LCMS Kansas District and ELCA Central States Synod will gather at Our Saviors Lutheran Church, Pratt, Kan., to discuss the immediate and long–term needs of affected communities. Our Saviors Lutheran is a congregation of the LCMS.

"Lutheran Disaster Response is prepared to offer assistance, as needed, in the form of emergency hardship grants and spiritual and emotional care. Once the town has been reopened, we will also be working in coordination with local congregations to coordinate volunteer teams for debris removal and clean–up. Plans are being made for volunteer teams to begin working this weekend. After an initial assessment has been completed, we will help to organize residents in meeting long–term unmet needs and volunteer coordination will likely continue through the rebuilding phase," said Feltman.

"We lift up in prayer those who (have) lost loved ones and suffered property damage in this sudden and tragic event. With the understanding that the loss of life could have been much more widespread, we also offer prayers of thanksgiving for the warning systems that aided the residents of Greensburg in preparing for the incoming storm," she said. – – –

(From the Lutheran Church MO Synod website:

Update From Greensburg Ground Zero
May 7

Rev. Tim Henning and members of Peace Lutheran Church in Greensburg, Kansas, were salvaging what remained of their homes and church Monday. LCMS World Relief and Human Care Director of Disaster Response Rev. Glenn Merritt and Director of Districts and Congregations Rev. Carlos Hernandez were by their sides providing pastoral care and assurance that the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod will accompany them as “one people” through this devastating loss.

The tornado, which struck Friday night, has claimed nine lives so far. Peace Lutheran was destroyed and at least 13 member families lost their homes.

“360–degrees in every direction it’s a massive debris field,” said Merritt. “[The destruction] is even more [complete] than Katrina, if you can believe that.”

He watched Rev. Tim Henning, pastor at Peace, and a few members recover the church register. “Nothing else was salvageable,” said Merritt.

He also watched a family, members at Peace, sort through the belongings strewn about their basement.

Insurance companies have not arrived in Greensburg, and while many people Merritt spoke with are in too much shock to talk about the future, two families said they will not rebuild.

“The town is about a mile wide; the tornado was about 1.7 miles wide,” said Merritt. “There’s no town. It covered the entire town.”

In response, LCMS World Relief and Human Care granted an initial $30,000 to provide for emergency needs and temporary relocation for families of Peace. The grant will be administered by Our

Savior Lutheran Church in Pratt, Kansas, located 30–miles from Greensburg, where Rev. Henning is also pastor.

LCMS World Relief and Human Care will also match donations up to $200,000. To make a donation, send checks to:

LCMS World Relief and Human Care
P.O. Box 66861
St. Louis, MO 63166–9810,

marked “Kansas tornadoes”. Credit card donations are accepted by calling 1–888–930–4438.
Campaigns: 2007 Greensburg Kansas Tornado; Lutheran Disaster Response
Updated May 10, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1418

LA

Katrina Aid Today (Baton Rouge)

Walk–in Resource · Open

Faith–based, Non–Profit, Disaster Relief
2156 Wooddale Blvd; Suite 139, Baton Rouge, LA 70806
Phone (225)926–2991
Web www.katrinaaidtoday.org/index.cfm
Service Temporary

Katrina Aid Today's Guiding Values for Humanitarian Relief

UMCOR’s Guiding Values for Humanitarian Relief Work

UMCOR is the humanitarian relief and development agency of the United Methodist Church, a worldwide denomination. For 65 years UMCOR has responded internationally to natural or human made disasters—those interruptions of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community’s ability to recover on its own.

UMCOR’s mission is to alleviate human suffering. We provide practical, proactive support to the most vulnerable survivors of chronic or temporary emergencies due to natural or civil causes.

UMCOR honors cultural differences. We deliver aid to people without regard to race, religion, politics, or gender. We seek input from local communities in identifying needs.

All people have dignity and worth. The most essential partner in UMCOR’s work is the beneficiary, the ultimate end–user of our service. There are no “victims” in our vocabulary. There are only survivors whose courage, along with a humanitarian helping hand, can transform communities.

UMCOR always works with partners—usually in local settings. Civic organizations, faith communities, school leaders and other local resources are great assets to sustainable recovery and development, particularly after massive traumatic events. They exist close to the beneficiary and will continue to serve as positive influences in the community after UMCOR’s work is complete.

UMCOR is a good steward of our gifts and grants. Private donors can designate their gifts to our programs with the assurance that 100% is spent on the programs. The 8.5 million members of the United Methodist Church assure our ability to guarantee this through undesignated giving that underwrites our general administrative expenses.

UMCOR manages its public grants with equal care, spending less than 10% on administrative costs.

UMCOR avoids tying the promise of its relief and development activity to any religious or political viewpoint.

UMCOR welcomes the good efforts of countless individuals and churches who support us through gifts and prayers and service. We incorporate volunteer action everywhere we can and ask our supporters to accept that sometimes it is not appropriate. We appeal to all volunteers to keep learning as their first objective so that the consequences of their service may become a true benefit.

Services offered: Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; CAN (Coordinated Assistance Network.); Catholic Charities Social Services; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Episcopal Services of Mississippi; Salvation Army; UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); Volunteers of America
Updated Sep 24, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1382

MA

Acton–Boxborough–Stow Interfaith Laity's (RESOURCE DIRECTORY) (CHURCH DIRECTORY)

Info/Hotline · Open

Acton "Safety Net" Leadership Summit
Acton – Boxborough, MA 01720

Phone See Notes for List of Contacts
Web users.bicnet.net/~abil/index.html
Serves Acton – Boxborough – Stow
Eligibility Residents in need
Service Permanent

From the website:

Private and Government Sources of Help

Member Organizations (Faith Groups)

ABIL: ACTON–BOXBOROUGH INTERFAITH LAITY

St. Elizabeth of Hungary (Roman Catholic)
South Acton Congregational
Acton Center Congregational
United Church of Christ Boxborough
West Acton Baptist
Acton Friends Meeting
Temple Beth Elohim
Nashoba Valley Church, Vision, Inc.
First Parish Church of Stow and Acton
Islamic Center of Boston
Good Shepherd Episcopal
Rotary International

FOR RESOURCE REFERRALS, GO TO THEIR WEBSITE:

http://users.bicnet.net/~abil/index.html

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(listed by organization)

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Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Battered Women ; Advocacy, Child Advocacy; Advocacy, Disabled/ Handicapped; Advocacy, Domestic Violence; Advocacy, Health & Human Rights; Advocacy, Housing, Eviction Defense; Advocacy, Migrants/Immigrant Workers ; Advocacy, Special Needs Folks; Advocacy, Special Needs Folks, Seniors/Elders; Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, How to Find, Emergency Food Assistance; Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, Referrals, Case Management Referrals; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Disabled, Accessible Housing Referrals for Disabled; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Referrals (For Seniors/Elders); Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Resource Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Information & Referral (For Seniors/Elders); Assistance, Referrals, Services for Special Needs Folks; Assistance, Referrals, Shelter Referrals, Youth Focused; Assistance, Referrals, Youth Services; Clothing, All Sizes, New or Gently Used * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Community Outreach Programs; Counseling, Spiritual; Directories, Directory of Churches; Directories, Directory of Services, City/Town; Directories, Directory of Services, Disabled Services; Directories, Financial Assistance Programs; Directories of Services & Programs * (ANY/ALL Types); Directories, Online Database Resource; Directories, Special Needs, Services for Special Needs Folks; Documentation, Disaster Recovery Process; Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Neighborhood Network; Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; Information Resource, Youth Services; Resource Databases for Supplies/Services (NO FEE); Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Church/Worship Services; Services, Emergency Services; Services, Emergency Services, Senior/Elder; Services, Senior Programs; Services, Social Services, General Social Services; Social Event, Networking Group *any/all types; Social Event, Networking Group, Employment/Professional Networking; Social Event, Networking Group, Families; Social Event, Networking Group, Families w/Young Children; Support for "All" Disasters; Vouchers * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: Acton Leadership Summit, Acton Massachusetts; American Baptist Churches-USA; Economic Solidarity and Cooperativism; Ending Extreme Poverty; Ending Gross Inequity; Government, City/Town Agency; Habitat For Humanity; Hindu Disaster Relief Community; ICNA Relief USA (Islamic Community); Islamic Community; Jewish Family Service; LDS ~ Lutheran Disaster Services; Lion's Club; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Neighborhood Network; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Rotary Club (Local Civic Group); UMCOR Relief Network; United Methodist Disaster Response; United Way
Updated Dec 14, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3835

FEMA Region 1 VAL (Voluntary Agency Liaison) – Massachusetts

Info/Hotline · Open

FEMA
99 High Street; 6th Floor, Boston, MA 02110
Phone (617) 956–7506
Web www.fema.gov/about/regions/regioni/regioni.shtm
Service Temporary

Campaigns: 2010 Massachusetts Flooding; 2010 New England Flooding; 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); Aidmatrix; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; AmeriCorps; Catholic Charities; Citizen Corps; COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster); Connecticut Association For Community Action – CAFCA; EMA (Emergency Management Agency) Regional/County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, Federal; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security, National Shelter System (NSS); Government, FEMA (this item ONLY for actual FEMA/HQ contacts/entries); Government, FEMA VAL contacts/orgs/entries; Government, US Government Agency (This Site IS a Gov Agency); Government, US Government Site; Habitat For Humanity; Hands On Disaster Response; LDS ~ Lutheran Disaster Services; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Lutheran Disaster Response; Medical Reserve Corps; Mennonite Disaster Service; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Salvation Army; Tri–State LTRG (New England); UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)

Updated Sep 14, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/5915

Lutheran Social Services Citizenship Support (refugees, immigrants, etc)

Info/Hotline · Open

MA
Web www.lssne.org/ILAP.aspx
Service Temporary

The Immigration Legal Assistance Program at Lutheran Social Services provides free and low–cost legal services to immigrants in New England. The program offers legal advice and representation to complete immigration applications and petitions.

We provide legal representation to:

Asylum seekers
Victims of rape and sexual violence
Victims of violent crime
Victims of domestic violence
Victims of human trafficking
Unaccompanied minors

LSS also provides assistance to complete immigration applications and petitions, including citizenship applications, family–based petitions, and green card applications.

For more information about our services or to schedule an appointment, please contact the legal office in Worcester at (508) 754–1121, ext. 408, or West Springfield at (413) 787–0725. You can also send an email to infolegal@lssne.org.

Services offered: Advocacy, Health & Human Rights; Advocacy, Human Rights; Advocacy, Migrants/Immigrant Workers ; Advocacy, Social Justice, Fair Labor/Worker Rights; Assistance, How to, File Food Stamp Application; Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, Referrals, Case Management Referrals; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Resource Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Short–Term Housing Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Legal Referrals; Case Management, Refugees/Immigrants; Demographic Served: Immigrants; Demographic Served: Migrants; Demographic Served: Refugees; Directories of Services & Programs * (ANY/ALL Types); Hotline * (ANY/ALL Types); Hotline, Legal Advice & Referrals; Refugee/Resettlement, Volunteer; Services, Humanitarian Aid ; Services, Immigration, Refugee Resettlement (See also "Assistance")
Campaigns: Lutheran Disaster Response

Updated May 25, 2014 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9881

MN

VOAD (MNVOAD – Voluntary Organization Active In Disaster)

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
P.O. Box 130261, Roseville, MN 55113
Web www.mnvoad.org
Service Temporary

Duluth Area Flooding June 20, 2012

June 20th, 2012

MNVOAD members are being updated regarding the Duluth flooding situation. There have been approximately 250 people from 80 homes evacuated so far. More rain is expected; the prediction is for record breaking flooding. Clean up and other recovery assistance will be needed in the upcoming days and weeks. Additional information will be provided as it becomes available.

MNVOAD MEMBERS:

Adventist Disaster Response
American Baptist Men
American Radio Relay League
American Red Cross
Arrowhead VOAD
Catholic United Response
Channel One, Inc.
Christian Reformed World Relief – Disaster Response Services
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints
Church of the Brethren ~ Disaster Ministries
Church World Service
Civil Air Patrol~Minnesota Wing
Freeborn County Crisis Response Team
Green Cross, Inc
Headwaters Relief Organization
Hope for the City
Lutheran Disaster Response
Mennonite Disaster Service
Minnesota Animal Disaster Coalition
Minnesota Disaster Relief
Minnesota Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Mangement
Minnesota Horse Council
Minnesota Search & Rescue Dog Association
Minnesota/Wisconsin Baptist Convention Disaster Relief
Nazerene Disaster Response
NECHAMA – Jewish Response to Disaster
North American Center for Emergency Communications
Operation Blessing International
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Campaigns: 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Baptist Men Disaster Relief; American Radio Relay League, Inc.; American Red Cross; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; LDS ~ Lutheran Disaster Services; Lutheran Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Nazarene Disaster Response; NECHAMA (Jewish Response To Disaster); Operation Blessing; Salvation Army; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; United Methodist Church; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services; World Vision
Updated Jun 21, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9177

MS

Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response, Mississippi

Volunteer Camp · Open

Faith–Based Disaster Relief/Recovery
Gulfport, MS
Phone 228–594–0008 Office
Service Temporary

Per email, November 2007:

This group is in the process of trying to finish 40 houses by the end of march in one subdivision in Gulfport MS and need both skilled and other volunteers.

10 units finished and they are starting the next group of 10.

Services offered: Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Rebuilding Status: In Process "Case Managed" Projects; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response
Updated Dec 4, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2674

Camp Coast Care (Lutheran Episcopal Services in Mississippi – LESM)

Volunteer Camp · Open

Faith–Based Disaster Recovery
5065 Espy Avenue, Long Beach, MS 39560
Phone 228–452–1217
Web www.campcoastcare.com
Hours Mon – Fri, 8:00–5:00
Checks payable to Camp Coast Care
Service Temporary

Rebuild & Restore
Lives + Homes + Communities
Spiritually, Emotionally, and Physically

Michael Magargel: Volunteer Coordinator
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Gerry Sharik: Site Manager
gerry@campcoastcare.com

Camp Coast Care is a Christian community of faith that provides welcome and hospitality to any volunteer wishing to serve in the Hurricane Katrina recovery effort. Camp Coast Care operates a recovery and reconstruction mission for those in need on the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Camp Coast Care is located on the campus of Coast Episcopal School at 5065 Espy Avenue, Long Beach, MS. Since the first days after Hurricane Katrina, we have offered help to survivors in the from of a distribution center for food, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene products, clothing, and free medical services. Camp Coast Care has also hosted thousands of volunteers from all over the world that have come to clean out and rebuild lives, homes, and communities.

We continue to adapt the needs of the people affected by Hurricane Katrina. Our focus has settled to the construction and rebuilding needs of the community. Volunteer work crews composed of all levels in skilled labor in the areas of sheetrock installers, carpenters, roofers, plumbers, electricians as well as unskilled labor are organized daily to go out into the communities to help residents. There are also on–campus jobs for volunteers that are vital to camp campus life. These include social work intake, kitchen and dining room assistants, facility and grounds maintenance, data entry, and general office work.

Camp Coast Care is a mission point of the Lutheran and Episcopal Disaster Response (LEDR), an outreach of the Lutheran and Episcopal Services in Mississippi (LESM).

Lutheran and Episcopal Services in Mississippi (LESM), a faith–based initiative, 501(c)3, serves as an instrument seeking to bring dignity, healing, justice, hope, and encouragement to all people. LESM manages and conducts numerous programs in children's education, restorative justice, and disaster response.

FROM DNN:

Speciality: Recovery & Reconstruction from 2005 Hurricane Katrina

Description of volunteer needs: All trade skills needed to asst with reconstruction. Unskilled volunteers also welcome

Skills volunteers are required to have: Willingness to work, and a flexible attitude

Useful Skills: General knowledge of construction, any and all trade skills

Tools or supplies volunteers should bring: Any specialty trade tools, if possible. Hand and power tools are provided by the Camp.

Will volunteers need to bring any money or material, such as for housing: Personal spending money. Donations are accepted for housing and food.

Length of time volunteer can help: 1 day to longer, 7 days preferred

Size of volunteer team: 1 to 80

Are individual volunteers welcome? Yes

Age restriction, if any: 16 and above

Denomination/affiliation, if any: Lutheran/Episcopal – all are welcome

If yes, must volunteer be a member: No

Any other restrictions: No

Housing provided for volunteers, if any: Yes. Air conditioned and heated dormitory with bunk beds; private showers and commodes.

Meals provided for volunteers, if any: Yes, 3 per day except Saturday & Sunday. Gourmet chef on staff. Full kitchen facilities

Any additional notes: Camp has housed over 11,000 volunteers since Katrina – from all across North America and 16 different countries,. We need your help now more than ever. Skilled volunteers are urgently needed and unskilled volunteers are needed as much as ever.

Approximate date the project started: Aug–29–2005
Estimated date the project will end: Sep–01–2010
Information Updated: Oct–02–2007

Services offered: Camping, Camp Sites * (ANY/ALL Types of Camping Services/Sites); Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Cleaning, Supplies * (ANY/ALL Types); Clothing, All Sizes, New or Gently Used * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Distribution * (ANY/ALL Types); Distribution, Supplies, Local Distribution of Supplies; Facilities: Restrooms; Facilities: Shower Facilities for Volunteers; Food Distribution, Emergency/Disaster Food Distribution; Housing, Volunteer, Camping, Tents To House Volunteers; Housing, Volunteer Housing ($ Donation Appreciated); Housing, Volunteer Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Management, Volunteer Placement; Meals, Volunteers, Meals for Volunteers; Medical, Facility, Clinic, Free Clinic; RV Hook–Ups; RV Parking for Volunteers; Services, Tech, Internet Access; Toiletries * (ANY/ALL Types); Transportation, Airport Pick–up, Volunteer; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers); Volunteers, Teen Volunteers (This facility accomodates Teen Volunteers)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; Lutheran Disaster Response
Updated Sep 26, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/661

Camp Victor (The Swingster Building)

Volunteer Camp · Open

Faith–based, Non–Profit – Camp/Distribution Center
1515 Government Street, Ocean Springs, MS 39564

Phone	228–282–3129 or 228–872–5745 Vol. Coord.: cvlcvolunteer@cableone.net
Web	www.campvictor.org
Hours	9:30 am – 6:30 pm, Sun–Sat, CST
Serves	Jackson County, MS
Eligibility	Impacted by Hurricane Katrina & Gustav
Checks payable to	LSSDR, Mail to Camp Victor, Joe Biggs
Service	Temporary

Aug 2011: Reportedly the only org in the region housing vols. Closing in a few months. Running out of money...

Donations needed immediately for help restoring CVM's roof damage from Hurricane Gustav! (Our roof needs repairs that are estimated to cost $10,000 in labor and supplies. We need to fix the roof so that our volunteers have safe, clean and dry housing at CV.)

Please send donations to Camp Victor at the attention of: Dawna Howell

Volunteers needed immediately for help restoring CVM's roof and dorm rooms after Hurricane Gustav!

Please contact the volunteer manager to help with this response at reservations@campvictor.org

or 228–282–3754.

SEE Policy Changes for Volunteers:
http://www.campvictor.org/index_Page856.htm

5/28/07 Update:

All operations were moved from Christ Victor Lutheran Church to The Swingster Bldg. (which was renovated to be a volunteer camp and distribution center).

Camp Victor is staffed and maintained by volunteers. As such, you can expect to be asked to perform chores around the building, including emptying trash cans, stocking paper towels, cleaning the bathrooms, cooking and other maintenance activities.

4/2/07 UPDATE through Matt Herzberg (Reservations Coord.):

They now have 212 beds/bunks and full operational volunteer accomodations services.

Strictly serving Jackson County, MS.

Primary needs for Distribution to Community:

Building Supplies/Materials

Primary Volunteer Needs:

Skilled Construction Trade Volunteers (NOTE: They generally ask if coming in groups that 1 in 5 of volunteers are skilled tradespersons & they DO NOT turn away unskilled construction volunteers and can use help in the office as well as sorters and helpers to distribute to the community in their warehouse).

They've had a steady flow of approximately 200 volunteers on site since Christmas '06 consistently but recently has reduced to about 80–100 at a time and they expect it will pick back up again summer '07.

LDR is currently operating through three locations along the Mississippi Gulf Coast:

Camp Victor, at Christus Victor Lutheran Church and the Swingster warehouse building in Ocean Springs, is currently accepting up to 200 volunteers each week with overflow for an additional 80 at Tent City.

Volunteers are provided with beds, showers, and three meals each day. The majority of the work being done involves rebuilding and distribution of relief supplies to local residents. No volunteers under the age of 16 are allowed.

For Online Registration & details go to:
http://www.ldr.org/volunteer/hurricanevols.html

The following is provided by Leslie Holly of KatrinaNetworking.blogspot.com

http://www.campvictor.org/_ (http://www.campvictor.org/)

–Working mostly in Jackson County, but also some in Hancock.
Also steer volunteer groups to places most needed.

Services offered: Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Cleaning, Supplies * (ANY/ALL Types); Cleanup, Disaster Debris Removal, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, House Gutting, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, Mold Removal/Remediation, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, * Volunteer Services (ANY/ALL Types); Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Facilities: Bathroom Facilities (For Volunteers); Facilities: Laundry Facilities (For Volunteers); Facilities: Shower Facilities for Volunteers; Housing, Volunteer Housing ($ Donation Appreciated); Housing, Volunteer Housing ($ NOT FREE); Housing, Volunteer Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Housing, Volunteer Housing (FREE); Meals * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Meals, Volunteers, Meals for Volunteers; RV Parking for Volunteers; Services, Tech, Internet Access; Volunteer, Long–Term Volunteer Opportunities; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2008 Hurricane Gustav; 2012 Hurricane Isaac; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Episcopal Services of Mississippi; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is not a member, but is "affiliated")
Updated Sep 26, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/825

Lutheran Disaster Response

Info/Hotline · Open

Disaster Relief
MS

Web www.elca.org/Who–We–Are/Our–Three–Expressions/Churchwide–Organization/Communication–Services/News/Releases.aspx?a=4510
Service Temporary

Aug 2011: See https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1151
for info about rebuilding grants from this group. Or if you don't have access to the password–protected info, call your LDR contact. Reportedly, there are grants available for LTRGs (Long Term Recovery Groups) that are helping rebuild after the storms.

ELCA NEWS SERVICE
April 26, 2010

Lutheran Disaster Response Provides Grant for Mississippi Tornado Response
10-124-JB

CHICAGO (ELCA) -- Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) provided a $10,000 emergency grant to Lutheran Episcopal Services in Mississippi to help the agency in its initial work to assess needs and respond following the April 24 tornadoes that struck central Mississippi.
LDR is a collaborative ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS).
The Rev. Kevin A. Massey, director for LDR and ELCA Domestic Disaster Response, ELCA Church in Society, said the grant provides immediate funds to help the Lutheran response locally. LDR may consider other grants in the future depending on assessment of local needs, he told the ELCA News Service.
At least 10 people died in the storm, which swept through 17 Mississippi counties. Nearly 700 buildings and homes were reported to be damaged or destroyed, scores of trees were knocked down, and cars and trucks were flipped by the winds. Hardest hit was the area in and around Yazoo City, Miss. In addition to local and state police, more than 60 Mississippi National Guard personnel and military police are working in the hardest hit counties.
Coordinating the Lutheran response in Mississippi is Sandra L. Braasch, ELCA diaconal minister, and director of disaster preparedness and response, Lutheran Episcopal Services in Mississippi, Jackson. Braasch is also president of the Mississippi Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster.
Braasch said no ELCA or LCMS church buildings or properties appear to have been affected by the storms.
Some 30 to 40 organizations have been mobilized to respond to the disaster, she said. A reception center has been established in Yazoo City to coordinate volunteers, including Lutherans, who are interested in helping area residents in recovery, Braasch said. She explained that her agency is forwarding all offers of help and assistance to the reception center established by the Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service.
Volunteers to assist in removal of fallen trees and destroyed homes, as well as clearing of other debris, can sign up on the Web at http://www.volunteermississippi.org or call 888/353-1793, according to a news release from the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency. Registered volunteers will be contacted as additional assistance is needed, according to the release.
The U.S. Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency are making damage assessments in the counties affected by the storms.

Information about Lutheran Episcopal Services in Mississippi is at http://www.lesm.org/ on the Web.
Information about Mississippi Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster is at http://www.msvoad.org/ on the Web.

For information contact:
John Brooks, Director (773) 380-2958 or news@elca.org
http://www.elca.org/news
Twitter: http://twitter.com/elcanews

Services offered: Grants, Disaster Rebuilding; Services, Disaster, Post Disaster Needs Assessment; Services, Disaster Recovery
Campaigns: 2010 April, Mississippi Tornado; 2011 Mississippi Tornado; Lutheran Disaster Response
Updated Aug 19, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/5805

NC

MERCI (Marion Edwards Recovery Center Initiatives)

Warehouse · Open

Faith-based
676 Community Drive, Goldsboro, NC 27530
Phone 919-739-9167 or 1-888-440-9167 / Fax 919-739-9124
Web www.merciumc.org
Hours 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, M-F, EST
Service Temporary

MERCI is a Warehouse for Disaster Response and Building Materials and Supplies as well as a Volunteer TRAINING CENTER.

Directions to MERCI: From North: I-95 South to Hwy 70 East (Exit #97)- Hwy 70 East to Hwy 581 South. Turn right onto Hwy 581 South. After .9 mile, turn right onto Community Drive. After .7 mile, warehouse is on left.

Today at MERCI:

It seems that each year gets more and more challenging while offering more and more opportunities to be in ministry. This year started on a smooth note with only Hurricane Isabel to complete and a few new homes. And then Hurricane Katrina hit and the world changed.

All the new homes were completed but we still have a few disaster–homes to finish; all of them are in Hyde County and all are Hurricane Isabel related. When we talk with folks in the Gulf Coast area is easy to understand the concept long term recovery [4,569 volunteers worked 85,567 hours to complete 39 homes this year]

We have some clients waiting for volunteers in order to start their repairs. If you can't get to the Gulf Coast, there?s plenty of work right here in eastern North Carolina.

Katrina brought to light the need for being ready. One of the challenges we accept for this coming year is to have supplies on hand and ready to ship when and where needed. One of our priorities for 2007 will be stocking the warehouse with all the emergency supplies and having them on palettes and ready to go.

Volunteer Teams Needed:

In preparation for the upcoming hurricane season, volunteer teams are needed at the MERCI Warehouse in Goldsboro, NC. Teams will collect, sort and pack response kits, organize inventory to prepare for immediate response, become trained to better respond to emergency situations (see Training at MERCI) and commitment to join a team to serve in the most awesome ministry of caring! To schedule a team of one or more, call Ann Huffman at:

1–888–440–9167 or email at: ahuffman @nccumc.org.

Disaster News Network Volunteer Op listed by MERCI:

Speciality: Home repair and replacement from Hurricanes Isabel & Ophelia

Description of volunteer needs: All types – carpenters, sheet rock finishers, painters, plumbers, electricians, roofers, listeners, office help. Emergency kits need to be assembled, packed, inspected, and shipped.

Skills volunteers are required to have: Willingness to work

Useful Skills: Any and all skills needed

Tools or supplies volunteers should bring: Personal tools helpful, most tools available

Will volunteers need to bring any money or material, such as for housing: Housing fee is $20/person/day

Length of time volunteer can help: Any length of time

Size of volunteer team: 2 to 12 ideal, larger accepted when space allows

Are individual volunteers welcome? Yes

Age restriction, if any: 16 and older

Denomination/affiliation, if any: United Methodist but all are welcome

If yes, must volunteer be a member: No

Any other restrictions: Some handicapp accessibility is available

Housing provided for volunteers, if any: Yes, some housing costs may vary

Meals provided for volunteers, if any: No, but kitchens are provided

Any additional notes: If traveling cross country, lodging may be available for $10/night. Twenty minutes off I–95. Subject to availability. Call for reservations and directions. Starting from Floyd (1999) continuing through Hurricanes Isabel (2004) and Ophelia (2005).

Approximate date the project started: Sep–15–1999
Information Updated: Aug–02–2006

Services offered: Building Materials / Supplies * (ANY/ALL Types); Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Housing, Volunteer Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Kitchen, Kitchen Privileges (For Volunteers); Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Handicapped Volunteers (This facility accomodates Handicapped Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers); Volunteers, Teen Volunteers (This facility accomodates Teen Volunteers)
Campaigns: Lutheran Disaster Response; UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
Updated May 25, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1349

ND

Red River Resilience – 2011 ND Floods

Info/Hotline · Open

c/o American Red Cross Minn–Kota Chapter; 2602 12th Street North, Fargo, ND 58102
Phone 701–364–1800
Web www.redriverresilience.com
Service Temporary

FACEBOOK: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Red–River–Resilience/181258175242132
Campaigns: 2009 MidWest Floods; 2011 North Dakota Flood; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); American Red Cross; Catholic Charities; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Jul 2, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8714

LTRC – North Dakota Long Term Recovery Committee/Unmet Needs Committee

Info/Hotline · Open

LTRC (& Unmet Needs Committee)
ND
Phone 1–800–366–9841
Service Temporary

Network set up to help those with unmet needs

In response to the recent flooding throughout the state of North Dakota, the North Dakota Long–Term Recovery Committee and local Unmet Needs Committees are preparing to assist individuals and families hardest hit by the spring 2009 flooding.

These groups, made up of local voluntary and faith–based agencies work, through a disaster case management process (RAFT – Resource Agencies Flood Team), to help individuals and families with their "long–term and/or unmet needs" after other forms of assistance have been exhausted– ie. personal resources, insurance, FEMA and/or SBA assistance, and local, state or other government and non–government resources.

To receive a case management application for unmet needs, contact your local, Red Cross, Salvation Army or United Way or call a representative of the North Dakota Long–Term Recovery Committee at Lutheran Disaster Response 1–800–366–9841.

Lutheran Disaster Response is also coordinating volunteers who would like to help with clean–up, muck–outs and rebuilding efforts. If you or your “team” would like to assist please call Lutheran Disaster Response at 1–800–366–9841.

Services offered: Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, How To, Loan & Grant Application Assistance (Disaster Survivors); Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, How To, Navigating Disaster Survivor Insurance Process ; Assistance, Referrals, Counseling, Disaster Survivor Counseling Referrals; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Case Management, Flood Survivors; Case Management, LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Cleanup, Mud–Out, Muck–Out, Flood Cleanup, Volunteer Services; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC), Unmet Needs Committee Meetings; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers)

Campaigns: 2009 MidWest Floods; Aidmatrix; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, Small Business Administration (SBA); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Lutheran Disaster Response; Salvation Army; United Way
Updated Jun 11, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4420

Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota

Info/Hotline · Open

ND

Phone 1–800–950–2901
Web www.lssnd.org
Serves No. Dakota, Statewide
Service Permanent

2011 Flood Response
With overland flooding at record levels across North Dakota, Lutheran Disaster Response North Dakota is one of the agencies providing assistance to homeowners who have sustained damage to their residences due to flooding.

The North Dakota Department of Emergency Services has set up a toll–free hotline for citizens with damage: 877–212–0316 7 am–7 pm (CDT)

Callers will be directed through a series of simple questions that should take only a few minutes. If needed, callers will also be referred to volunteer agencies that are providing assistance, including Lutheran Disaster Response North Dakota, a program of Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota.

Minot Program Center
1905 2nd St. S.E., Suite 1B
Minot, ND 58701
Phone: (701) 838–7800

Services offered: Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Donations, Drop–Off, Collection Site Location; Hotline, Disaster Recovery Services Hotline for Survivors
Campaigns: 2009 MidWest Floods Support (Closed/Standby); 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; Lutheran Disaster Response; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Nov 2, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4135

NE

Orphan Grain Train International Office

Warehouse · Open

Faith–Based, Non–Profit, Disaster Relief/Humanitarian
PO Box 1466, Norfolk, NE 68702

Phone (402) 371–7393 OR "Hurricane Hotline? at (402) 371–9313
Web www.ogt.org
Hours 9–4 M–F
Service Temporary

What is Orphan Grain Train?

Orphan Grain Train is a Christian volunteer network that shares personal and material resources with needy people in America and around the world. Grain Train volunteers gather donations of clothing, medical supplies, food, Christian literature, and other aid to meet real needs. The Orphan Grain Train movement is a loving response to Jesus Christ's example as a servant and His love for us.

Operations

Orphan Grain Train is a hands–on, Christian, humanitarian aid and disaster relief organization built on a nationwide network of volunteers. Grain Train?s 18 regional divisions collect, pack and ship more than 150 semi–loads of donated clothing, relief supplies and humanitarian aid each year.

In addition to international efforts, disaster relief within the United States is a key part of Orphan Grain Train's mission. Most recently, over 100 semi loads of supplies have been shipped to the Gulf Coast to aid in the recovery from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. To see this effort first–hand, Grain Train's Katrina Response video can be viewed online here.

Orphan Grain Train also has a number of special projects which include unique, specialized opportunities to make a direct impact on the lives of those in need.

As a 501(c)(3) organization, Orphan Grain Train is exempt from federal income taxes and your donations are tax deductible. Donations sent by mail may also receive a 50% match by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans! To learn more, please visit our financial information page.

Much has been accomplished through Orphan Grain Train in the fourteen years since 1992, but much remains to be done. Please consider joining us. Help us respond to the material and spiritual needs of people around the world. Get on board now!

Volunteer

Get on board! You can be a part of Orphan Grain Train's worldwide relief ministry, joining the thousands of Christians already bringing Christ's name and character to needy people both far and near.

Since 1992, Orphan Grain Train volunteers have collected and shipped over 1,000 semi loads of relief supplies throughout the United States and around the world.
In 2005, OGT shipped 162 semi loads of relief.

In order to further enable God's people to share material and personal resources with those in need, Orphan Grain Train is seeking volunteers in the following areas:

* Trucking (semi drivers)
* Clothes sorting and packing
* Speaking engagements and presentations
* Fish Feeds and other special events

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact your nearest Orphan Grain Train Regional Division. http://www.ogt.org/regional_divisions.cfm

If there is no regional division in your state, please call the OGT International Office at (402) 371–7393 or email us at email@ogt.org.

Get on board today and experience the Lord's work first–hand!

Ways you can help

1. Pray for the work of Orphan Grain Train.

2. Volunteer

3. Make a donation:

* Cash contributions
* Grain and other commodities
* New– or gently–used clothing
* Quilts
* Infant supplies
* Medical equipment and supplies
* School supplies

4. Support a Special Project.

5. Sponsor an Orphan Grain Train "Fish Feed."

6. Tell your friends about Orphan Grain Train!

7. Link to us!

8. Use GoodSearch.com for your Internet searches and select Orphan Grain Train as your cause.

FOR HURRICANE KATRINA CONTACTS: http://www.ogt.org/domestic_efforts/hurricanes.cfm

Services offered: Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers)
Campaigns: Lutheran Disaster Response
Updated Jun 2, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2057

NJ

Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey

Info/Hotline · Open

6 Terri Lane, Suite 300, Burlington, NJ 08016

Phone 609.386.7171
Web www.lsmnj.org/home
Service Temporary

Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey
Serving those in New Jersey who hurt, are in need, or have limited choices □

609–386–7171 □ Fax: 609–386–7191 □ www.lsmnj.org

Community Outreach Services:
1 Adoption Program (Statewide) Serves birthparents, adoptees and adoptive families by placing infants, older children, special needs children and sibling groups
2 Community Partnering (Statewide) Partnerships with individual congregations to provide community outreach services

3 Lutheran Disaster Response (Statewide) Plans and coordinates the church's response to those affected by disasters
4 Immigration & Refugee Services (Trenton) Immigration services, immigration law, English–as–a–Second–Language program for refugees and employment support
for asylees and refugees
5 Speakers Bureau (Statewide) Our staff is available to provide presentations to your congregation or organization
6 Lutherans Feeding Friends – (Statewide) Providing emergency funds to replenish the shelves of Lutheran food pantries across NJ
7 New Visions Homeless Day Shelter (Camden) Homeless day shelter provides breakfast and lunch,
shower and laundry facilities, a food pantry, a clothing closet, mail services, and assists patrons in finding jobs
Community Residential Services:
8 Lutheran Home for Children (Jersey City) Emergency shelter, serving up to 8 youth in crisis
9 Piscataway Community Residence (Piscataway) Serves 9 developmentally disabled women
10 Sayreville Community Residence (Parlin) Serves 6 profoundly developmentally disabled women
Housing Development:
11 Housing Development (Statewide) Pursue housing development opportunities within New Jersey
Community Redevelopment
12 Lutheran Social Ministries of Camden (Camden) 89 townhomes
Special Needs Housing
13 Luther Haven (Asbury Park) Serves 9 residents with mental health needs
14 Project Home (Jersey City) Transitional housing for 18 families
15 Stepping Stones Commons (Trenton) Single room housing for 64 men and women
with multiple needs
Affordable Family Housing:
16 Cadwalader Apartments (Trenton) 21 apartments
17 Chestnut Monmouth Apartments (Trenton) 13 apartments *
18 Elwood Driver Townhomes (Trenton) 19 townhomes
19 Mott Centre Street Apartments (Trenton) 22 apartments
20 Peapack–Gladstone Family Housing (Peapack) 20 townhomes
21 Stockton Arms (Trenton) 34 apartments *
22 West Hanover Street Apartments (Trenton) 17 apartments
Affordable Senior Housing:
23 Birchwood at Old Bridge Senior Apartments (Old Bridge) 88 apartments
24 Circle F Senior Apartments (Trenton) 69 apartments
25 Lutheran Senior Residence at Pennsauken (Pennsauken) 70 apartments
26 Mirota Senior Residence (Whitehouse Station) 60 apartments
27 Mt. Olive Manor I & II (Flanders) 110 apartments
28 Roosevelt Solar Village (Roosevelt) 20 units *
29 South Plainfield Senior Residence (South Plainfield) 100 apartments*
Senior Healthcare:
30 Lutheran Care at Moorestown (Moorestown) 260 Bed Facility which includes: 201 Skilled Nursing Beds
(32 Rehabilitation Beds, 60 Certified Alzheimer's Beds, 109 Long Term Care Beds), and 56 Assisted Living Suites
31 Lutheran Senior LIFE (Jersey City) – Providing and coordinating home and health care services for the elderly
Continuing Care Retirement Community:
32 Crane's Mill (West Caldwell) 282 Independent Living Apartments and Cottages,
48 Assisted Living Beds, 18 Memory Support Beds, and 66 Skilled Nursing Beds

Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for a way to give back to others. Support our mission of serving those in New Jersey who hurt, who are in need or who have limited choices by volunteering your time. We have numerous opportunities to serve seniors, immigrants, the hungry and the homeless. Gather your church group, your co–workers or your friends and family and lend a hand

http://www.lsmnj.org/volunteer/
Campaigns: Lutheran Disaster Response
Updated Apr 4, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8841

VOAD (STATE) New Jersey

Info/Hotline · Open

NJ
Phone 908.355.3663 ext. 229
Web www.state.nj.us/njvoad/index.html
Service Temporary

FROM THE SITE:

OFFICERS –

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MEMBERS –

NJVOAD Members

Organization Name Web Site Address
AARP aarp.org/nj
Adventist Community Services adventist.communityservices.org
American Baptist Church
American Radio Relay League arrl.org
American Red Cross redcross.org/home
AT&T Telecompioneers att.com
New Jersey Business Force (BENS) bens.org
Catholic Charities catholiccharitiesusa.org
Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC) crwrc.org
Church World Service churchworldservice.org
Civil Air Patrol cap.gov
Community Foodbank of NJ njfoodbank.org
Corporation for National & Community Service nationalservice.org
Education Works educationworks-online.org
Emergency Preparedness Partnerships emergencypreparednesspartnerships.com
FEMA fema.gov
First Call for Help firstcall.org
Heldrich Center for Workforce Development heldrich.rutgers.edu
The Humane Society hsus.org
International Institute of New Jersey iinj.org
Jersey Cares jerseycares.org
Jewish Family & Vocational Services jfvs.org
Lutheran Disaster Response lfsco.org/disaster/LDR_LR.htm
Mennonite Disaster Services mds.mennonite.net
National Council of Jewish Women ncjw.org
National Organization of Victim Assistance (NOVA) try-nova.org
NJ AFL-CIO njaflcio.org
NJ Commission on National Service nj.gov/njded/americorps
NJ Dept. of Human Services nj.gov/humanservices
NJ Dept. of Labor wnjpin.net
NJ Dept. of Treasury nj.gov/treasury
NJ Family Advocate Management njfam.org
NJ Fire Chiefs Association
NJ First Aid Council njsfac.org
NJ Immigration Policy Network njipn.org
NJ Interfaith Partnership for Disaster Recovery nji-disasterrecovery.org
NJ Legal Services lsnj.org
NJ Office of Emergency Management (NJOEM) nj.gov/njoem
NJ Office of Volunteerism http://www.nj.gov/state/nj volunteerism/homepage.html
NJ Self Help Group Clearinghouse njgroups.org
NJ Serves – Rutgers njserves.org

NJ Society of Certified Public Accountants
NJ State Bar Association njsba.com
NJ Task Force I
NJ Work Environment Council njwec.org
Project Phoenix ebiz.netopia.com/projectphoenix
REACT reactintl.org
The Salvation Army newjerseysalvationarmy.org
September 11th Fund september11fund.org
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
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United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) gbgm-umc.org/umcor
United Way
Urban Search and Rescue fema.gov/usr
US Service Command

Services offered: Support for "All Local" Disasters
Campaigns: 2011 Hurricane Irene/Tropical Storm Irene; 2012 Hurricane Sandy; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Radio Relay League, Inc.; American Red Cross; Catholic Charities; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Humane Society of the United States, The; Lutheran Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; UMCOR Relief Network; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
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Lutheran Disaster Response (NYVOAD Member)

Info/Hotline · Open

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Web www.ldr.org
Service Temporary

SitRep 11/9/12 from the site – Hurricane Sandy:
http://www.ldr.org/Hurricane%20Sandy%20SitRep%20%232.pdf

From the public NYVOAD Member Directory:

Organizational Structure

Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) is a collaborative ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) and The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod (LCMS). Operating through a nationwide network of affiliates who are prepared and equipped to coordinate disaster response efforts, LDR accompanies individuals, families, and congregations in communities preparing for and responding to disasters. Disaster services are provided through four core components: hardship grants, spiritual & emotional care, volunteer coordination, and long-term recovery.

Disaster Program

LutheranCare, a faith-based organization, dedicated to providing innovative, quality programs and services, is the LDR affiliate for upstate New York. A representative group of trained, leadership volunteers from across the geography work to engage Lutheran congregations in preparedness activity within their communities, equipping them for disaster response when the needs arise. We provide preparedness education for individuals, faith communities and other community groups, disaster planning assistance for congregations, work collaboratively with other non-profit disaster responders, and join in long-term recovery response efforts in local communities recovering from disaster.

From the site:

Resource Request:
Contact Augsburg Fortress to request resources with ISBNs (800.328.4648)

Services offered: Case Management, LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Counseling, Emotional; Counseling, Spiritual; Grants, Post Disaster (For Rent/Belongings/Home Repairs/Rebuilding, etc.); Long Term Recovery Support; Management, Volunteer Coordination Services; Services, Disaster Preparedness; Support for "All Local" Disasters; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness
Campaigns: 2011 Hurricane Irene/Tropical Storm Irene; 2012 Hurricane Sandy; Lutheran Disaster Response; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
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VOAD, New York State (STATE LEVEL)

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
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Web www.nyvoad.org
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2011 Huricane Irene –
http://www.nyvoad.org/disaster_updates

old notes:
From the NYVOAD Member Directory:

Activation of NYSVOAD

NYSVOAD recognizes the independence of each of its member organizations and does not dictate agency response. However, NYSVOAD endeavors to serve as a catalyst of cooperation and communication between each of its members.

In the event of a disaster, any member agency may request initiation of NYSVOAD response coordination. Response coordination may be accomplished through conference calls, local meetings, or electronic communications.

It is important to maintain the regularly scheduled NYSVOAD communications (i.e. monthly conference calls, executive meetings) during the disaster timeframe.
Activation of any one member organization may be done directly by that organization or may be requested through the leadership of the NYSVOAD.

Activation through NYSVOAD will ensure that all member organizations are informed of the situation. Once activated, NYSVOAD will encourage a cooperative and coordinated voluntary response.

Disaster Coordination Plan

The purpose of the NYSVOAD is to bring together organizations active in disaster services to foster more effective preparedness, response and disaster recovery in New York State. Direct service to impacted communities is provided by the member agencies of the NYSVOAD, not by the NYSVOAD itself. NYSVOAD is a coordinating agency whose goal is to enhance planning, training and communications between organizations active in disaster mitigation, response and recovery. With this in mind, NYSVOAD shall support the response to level 3 & 4 disasters, as appropriate, in the following manner:

I. NYSVOAD Officer (or designee) will report to the State Emergency Operations Center and become the liaison for all VOAD members not then represented in the EOC, and will call and facilitate a NYSVOAD meeting or conference call as soon as practical and needed to do so.

II. NYSVOAD EOC Liaison will meet with the State Donation Coordination Manager (or designee), the State Director of Human Services and FEMA VAL (Voluntary Agency Liaison), and will convene meetings or conference calls with VOAD member agencies to identify and assist with immediate needs, and coordinate with member agencies on their planned responses.

III. NYSVOAD Officer (or designee) will provide updated reports of voluntary agency activities to the New York State Office of Emergency Management (State OEM) at regular intervals or when necessitated by changes in service or location, and will provide member agencies with information regarding the state response. The Liaison will also communicate any issues or concerns that member agencies are reporting in the field to the state.

IV. NYSVOAD Executive Committee will facilitate the development of Long Term Recovery Committee(s) as appropriate, in coordination with the State OEM Director of Human Services and the FEMA VAL.

V. At the close of an operation, NYSVOAD Chairperson or Vice–Chair will request a consolidated report from each voluntary organization assisting in disaster response. This report is to include recommendations that will enable NYSVOAD to encourage and implement corrective actions that will enhance future response and recovery operations. Reports will be brought as an agenda item at the next NYSVOAD meeting following the disaster.

NYSVOAD shall support the response to disasters of a level two or less, as appropriate, in the following manner:

I. NYSVOAD Officer (or Designee) will convene a conference call with member agencies and government partners to evaluate the nature and extent of damages. Under special circumstances the VOAD Liaison may be requested to support EOC operations.

II. NYSVOAD Member agencies will support local response agencies as appropriate.

III. NYSVOAD Executive Committee will facilitate the development of Long Term Recovery Committee(s) as appropriate, in coordination with the State OEM Director of Human Services.

IV. At the close of an operation, NYSVOAD Chairperson or Vice–Chair will request a consolidated report from each voluntary organization assisting in disaster response. This report is to include recommendations that will enable NYSVOAD to encourage and implement corrective actions that will enhance future response and recovery operations. Reports will be brought as an agenda item at the next NYSVOAD meeting following the disaster.

NOTE: The primary goal of the NYSVOAD and its member organizations is to work in partnership and support of local VOAD's, disaster response networks, local human services councils and other response organizations, and when required act as a conduit to national resources. It is not the role of the NYSVOAD nor its member organizations to replace local networks or their services.

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Services offered: Information Resource, Situation Reports & Status Reports; Support for "All Local" Disasters; Training Classes, Disaster * (Any & All Types)
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Updated Oct 27, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6262

OH

LTRC, Ohio Valley Unmet Needs Committee

Info/Hotline · Standby

Disaster Relief
OH

Phone 513–528–0412
Service Temporary

2011: TF: no news found online about this group. I suggest you look to the Ohio VOAD for status/connections and to give to recovery efforts.

http://www.ohiovoad.org/

Or see the entry in the database at:
https://reliefdb.org/shelters/628

Organizations:
Ohio Valley Unmet Needs Committee

Services offered: LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice
Campaigns: Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Radio Relay League, Inc.; American Red Cross; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Tzu Chi Foundation; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
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VOAD (Ohio)

Info/Hotline · Open

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Web www.ohiovoad.org
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Ohio Community Service Council
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Spring – May 16
Summer – August 15 – Ohio EMA Site
Fall Annual – November 14

Services offered: Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Support for "All Local" Disasters
Campaigns: Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; Amateur Radio Emergency Services; American Red Cross; Churches of Christ Disaster Relief Inc.; Churches of Christ Disaster Response Team; Church of Christ Disaster Relief Effort; Church of the Brethren, Children's Disaster Services; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security, National Shelter System (NSS); Government, State/ County; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; Tzu Chi Foundation; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; UMCOR Relief Network; United Way; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a Chapter Level Member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
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VOAD (VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVE IN DISASTER), State of OKLAHOMA

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No site updates for the Aug. 2012 Oklahoma Wildfires

Services offered: Support for "All Local" Disasters
Campaigns: 2012 Oklahoma – Wildfires; 211 (Affiliation: 211 (choose this ONLY for actual 211 operations); ACTS World Relief; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Baptist Men Disaster Relief; American Radio Relay League, Inc.; American Red Cross; Billy Graham Rapid Response Team; Christian Churches Disciples of Christ; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; Citizen Corps; CityTeam; Convoy of Hope; CWS ~ Church World Service; Feeding America; Feed The Children; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Habitat For Humanity; Hands On Disaster Response; Hands On Network; Hope Coalition America (A Division of Operation Hope); Humane Society of the United States, The; International Relief & Development (IRD); LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Medical Reserve Corps; Mennonite Disaster Service; Mercy Medical Airlift; Nazarene Disaster Response; Noah's Wish; Operation Blessing; REACT International; Salvation Army; Samaritan's Purse; Save The Children; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; Tzu Chi Foundation; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; United Methodist Church; United Way; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster), Associate Member/Informal Affiliation; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Hope International; World Renew (also known as CRWRC-DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee-Disaster Response Services; World Vision
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COVID-19 and Oregon fires response

Would you like to volunteer to help or to post a need during the current pandemic or fires in Oregon, or to donate goods and items? ORVOAD and the Oregon State Office of Emergency Management (OEM) are managing these needs and resources through the program below. Click on the link to set up your volunteer account to help, register your organization's needs and to donate resources.

oregonrecovers.communityos.org

For medical volunteer, please provide your information at https://serv-or.org/

Oregon Wildfire Resources
Map of shelters for people and animals in response to the fires in Oregon.
Red Cross – Find open shelters
Find a hotel for emergency lodging – PDF

ORVOAD is on Facebook as a resource to help meet needs.https://www.facebook.com/ORVOAD/

Solidarity

We would like to take a moment to acknowledge that while the COVID-19 pandemic is consuming a lot of our attention, it has not stopped the violence and injustice that exists in the world, and this is very much true for the deep injustices that the black community is facing in the United States.

We stand in solidarity with our colleagues who are feeling the pain of violence and injustice in our state and in our country. We welcome any input as to how we can ensure that ORVOAD acknowledges, listens and acts to make meaningful change around systemic racism.

Transitions

The time between June and July will mark a transition of leadership for ORVOAD. Michelle and Susan are so happy to welcome Rashad Bauman as the new President of ORVOAD.
(Click here to read complete PDF version)

Information sources on COVID-19

The State of Oregon's COVID–19 page
The Oregon Health Authority's COVID–19 page
Information from the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries
The World Health Organization's COVID–19 page
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's COVID–19 page
Call, text, or email 211 for questions about COVID–19 or referrals to programs for food, shelter, health care and more.
Topic Collection: COVID–19 Behavioral Health Resources

ORVOAD – Working Cooperatively in a Crisis

Following a disaster, ORVOAD convenes its members and other agencies to discuss how they will work together cooperatively in the crisis. ORVOAD does not itself deliver services. Instead, its members independently meet relief and recovery needs within the cooperative framework the organization makes possible.

ORVOAD coordinates planning by the many voluntary agencies responding to a disaster so they provide more effective service with less duplication when a disaster strikes.

MEMBERS:
Oregon Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster is not intended to be a competing agency but an umbrella organization of existing agencies. Each member organization maintains its own identity and independence yet works closely with other agencies to improve services and eliminate unnecessary duplication.

ORVOAD consists of voluntary and state government organizations with disaster relief roles. VOAD functions include animal control, building repair, child care, clean up, clothing, communication, counseling, damage assessment, disaster welfare inquiry, financial assistance, food, human relations, mass care, sheltering, transportation, volunteer staffing, and warehousing and bulk distribution.

Long Term Recovery Groups (LTRGs)
Oregon VOAD is currently supporting the following communities with Long Term Recovery Groups:
https://orvoad.communityos.org/cms/LTRG

Services offered: Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Community Groups; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Services, Disaster Response, Recovery, Preparedness & Mitigation; Support for "All" Disasters; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness
Campaigns: 2020/2021 Pandemic, Coronavirus/COVID–19; 2020 Oregon Fires; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Baptist Churches–USA; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; Ecumenical Ministries; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Lutheran Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; NW Medical Teams International; Rotary Club (Local Civic Group); Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster), Associate Member/Informal Affiliation; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
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Southeast Texas Interfaith Office(SETIO)

THE OPPORTUNITY IN SOUTHEAST TEXAS:

Hurricane Rita has brought both great suffering and new possibilities. It has opened up old dividing walls between races, religious bodies, and economic and political interest. Thousands of men and women from all over the U.S. are willing to come to Southeast Texas to assist us with volunteer labor. Some will even bring their own funds to purchase necessary building materials. Significant public and private monies have been earmarked for recovery that typically require extra knowledge and connections to access. All recognize the threat of future crises and lingering unmet community needs.

WHO WE ARE:

SETIO is an interfaith and interracial coalition of congregations and organizations located in Southeast Texas. Our families, communities and congregations were deeply affected by Hurricane Rita. With deep faith in God, we are stepping forward to assist vulnerable families as they seek to recover from this disaster and meet forthcoming challenges. Already we have replaced the roofs and repaired the damaged homes of nearly 100 uninsured, underinsured, elderly, disabled, and single parent families. SETIO through extensive national volunteer networks and local paid and volunteer leadership is now positioned to increase in scale to assisting an average of 30 families per month through the recovery process and more as additional congregations and organizations join forces with us. SETIO also aspires to develop the trust and relationships between us and with the community so that we can work together across race, denomination and economic class to address other issues that have held back our communities and undermined our future.

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Is E-Mail address read daily? Yes
Website address: www.setio.org

Serves: Southeast Texas – 3 counties

Speciality: Rebuilding after Hurricane Rita

Description of volunteer needs: Roofing, sheetrock, porches and handicap access house leveling/stabilization

Skilled volunteers are required to have: Ability to be flexible – work with whatever and wherever there is need

Useful Skills: Roofing, all trade skills

Rural/Farm related volunteers needed: Possible – urban and rural areas

Tools or supplies volunteers should bring: Gloves, hammers, power saws, nail guns, shovels, if possible

Will volunteers need to bring any money or material, such as for housing: We would appreciate some funding, if possible

Length of time volunteer can help: 1 day, 3-5 days to 1 week preferred, or longer

Size of volunteer team: Varies

Are individual volunteers welcome? Yes

Age restriction, if any: Youth need adult supervision

Denomination/affiliation, if any: Interfaith – all are welcome

If yes, must volunteer be a member: No

Any other restrictions: Depends – there are child protection/restriction issues. Please call for details.

Housing provided for volunteers, if any: Yes, probably at retreat center and/or local churches. Please call for specific details.

Meals provided for volunteers, if any: Some, kitchen and shower facilities available. Please call for specific details.

Any additional notes: PLEASE COME. Serving single moms, handicapped seniors, and those who fiscally and physically need help. There is still a great need for volunteers.

Approximate date the project started: Oct–15–2005
Estimated date the project will end: Oct–31–2008
Information Updated: June–12–2007

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Zip Code: 77642–3675
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Services offered: Cleanup, House Gutting, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, Mold Removal/Remediation, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, Tree Cutting and Removal, Volunteer Services; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Facilities: Shower Facilities for Volunteers; Housing, Volunteer Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Kitchen, Kitchen Privileges (For Volunteers); Meals, Volunteers, Meals for Volunteers; Services, Employment, Paid Gigs, Paying Jobs; Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Teen Volunteers (This facility accomodates Teen Volunteers); Volunteers, Youth Volunteers (This facility accomodates Youth Volunteers)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Rita; AmeriCorps; Lutheran Disaster Response; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
Updated Sep 22, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/857

VOAD – TGCR (Texas Gulf Coast Region)

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TX

Web tgcr.voad.org/Home/tabid/36/Default.aspx
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Texas Gulf Coast Regional VOAD Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2008, United Way for Greater Houston

Attending:

Linda Walker Adventist Community Services
Carolyn Shell American Red Cross
Glory Udoh Asset Building Network
Mac Udoh Asset Building Network
Mickey Pieri Catholic Charities
Brandi Brown Children's Defense Fund
Cindy Gabriel City of Houston, Hurricane Recovery
Bob White City of Houston, OEM
Henry Nielson FEMA VAL
Mardie Menke Harris County Citizens Corps/OEM
Linda Hebert Harris County Community Services Department
LeVonne Harrell Harris County Community Services Department
Stan Edde Houston Food Bank
Gloria McGowen Hurricane Ike Help Line
Mark Leonard Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)
Carol Flores Lutheran Disaster Response
Edith Nino Lutheran Inter–City Network Coalition (LINC)

Gwen Franke Lutheran Inter–City Network Coalition (LINC)
Mark Junkans Lutheran Inter–City Network Coalition (LINC)
Julie Reid Lutheran Inter–City Network Coalition (LINC)
John Bell Neighborhood Centers, Inc.
Gren Shirman Second Mile Mission Center
Earnest Dyer Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Marcela Berg State of Texas, VAL
Frank Secor, Jr. Texas Baptist Men Disaster Relief
Rolan Chambliss The Salvation Army
Morris Fountain Time Banks USA
Eddie Hilliard United Methodist Church
Sandra Ray United Way/2–1–1 Texas
Kathleen Bailey Volunteer Houston

Meeting called to order at 10:00 by Rolan Chambless

Introductions/Announcements:

–Adventist Community Services working with Salvation Army in Galveston for Christmas projects
–Salvation Army Christmas registration has happened and gift programs are underway
–Food Bank is working on their Share the Holidays program with Channel 13 again this year
–Linc, Houston is working to collect 2000 toys for area children
–Catholic Charities is working again on their Share Your Blessing program
–Time Bank USA announced the launching of their programs today
–Asset Building Network is seeking to serve 100 children in SW Houston this holiday season. Toys for Tots can be accessed at 713–362–2036
–Houston Call Center is taking calls both for furniture needs and donations. 713–276–3955
–Lutheran Disaster Response is offering a free Long Term Recovery workshop December 10th. To register contact Carol Flores at carol.flores@lsss.org
–CERT Rodeo is February 7, 2009. For more information go to www.harriscountycitizencorps.com

Long Term Recovery Report:

Carol Flores reported

Each sub–committee of the Long Term Recovery Committee is meeting this week. For more information, see the front page of the TGCR VOAD website or contact the lead organizer for each work group.

All VOAD members are invited to attend any or all of the work group meetings.

The next general meeting of the LTRC is December 11 at 2:30 at the United Way

VOAD

January 5th will be our next quarterly business meeting, Linc, Houston and Second Mile Ministry will make presentations about their organizations.

All members are invited to bring ideas for ongoing education/training events

FEMA

Henry Neilson reported statistics as of 11/24/08

Harris County registrations: 373,106
Max Grants ($28,800): 233
60+ year old registrations: 45, 518
Homeowners: 197,000
Renters: 171,000
Total Registrations (Ike): 723,000
Assistance approved: $306 million
Housing assistance checks: $310 million
Other Needs Assistance: $76 million
Unemployment Assistance: $2.9 million

Chair Jennifer Posten, Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston
Chair–Elect Rolan Chambless, The Salvation Army
Secretary Carol Flores, Lutheran Social Services
Treasurer Chris Fults, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints

Standing committee chairs:

Membership Linda Hargis–Hebert, Harris County Community Services Department
Communications Carolyn Shell, American Red Cross

Education & Training Linda Walker, Adventist Community Services
Sandra Ray, United Way of Greater Houston

The Texas Gulf Coast Regional (TGCR) VOAD is a consortium of recognized voluntary organizations active in disaster relief. Its mission is to foster more effective service to people affected by disasters. VOADs support and facilitate the delivery of disaster services by their members. They do not themselves deliver response and recovery services. Member organizations support the efforts of federal, state, and local agencies and governments.

TGCR VOAD bases its mission on these four values:

Cooperation. By this we mean that we need each other, that no member organization has all the answers for the challenges we face. We treat members as partners.

Communication. Here we mean the regular sharing of information about our member organizations—their capacities, accomplishments, and commitments. We try to maintain good channels for sharing information, listen carefully to each other, and deal openly with concerns.

Coordination. We commit ourselves to work together and not competitively toward our goal of effective service to disaster victims. We seek to match services to need. Through planning and preparation, we equip our organizations to behave in a coordinated fashion in time of disaster.

Collaboration. We dedicate ourselves to work together to achieve specific goals and to undertake specific projects at disaster sites. We form partnerships during the disaster response.

Organizations wishing to coordinate their efforts with TGCR VOAD members are encouraged to register on the web site and add their organization to the list of VOAD members.

http://groups.google.com/group/tgcr_voad?hl=en

Services offered: Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, Long–Term Case Management; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 2008 Hurricane Ike; 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Boat People S.O.S.; Catholic Charities; Episcopal Diocese; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; ICNA Relief USA (Islamic Community); Jewish Family Service; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Lutheran Disaster Response; Salvation Army; Save The Children; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; Texas Baptist Men Disaster Relief; Tzu Chi Foundation; UMCOR Relief Network; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
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Worldwide

ELCA Disaster Response (International Response – Blog Updates)

Info/Hotline · Open

Web blogs.elca.org/disasterresponse
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Hurricane Sandy's Mark on the Caribbean
Posted on October 29, 2012 by meganbradfield
Share

Greetings to All!

Last week the world was just hearing about Hurricane Sandy. I was in Haiti visiting our companions and discussing work still underway from other large disasters from recent years. The rain was pouring from the time I touched down in the country early Tuesday until I left late Thursday. Haiti typically gets stints of rain that last a few hours, but a few days? In the context, a little bit of rain can go far and a lot of rain can destroy people's livelihoods, health and well–being.

FNGA, partner of the Lutheran World Federation, mobilizing their emergency team.

Upon my departure from Haiti, I began to hear stories of towns under water and people missing. Now, four days after the storm has passed Haiti more accurate information on Sandy's destruction is known. Haiti has reported over 50 people dead and many more missing. For Cuba that was more directly hit by the storm, Sandy is the second deadliest storm to hit the island nation in fifty years killing 11 people. Elsewhere, Jamaica has confirmed one person dead and the Bahamas two.

The ELCA has been gifted with relationships and networks of actors all around the world that can pull together in times of need. As we work with our companions to respond to the needs of under–served families devastated by Hurricane Sandy in the Caribbean, we are also in thought of our communities in the US that are bracing for the impact of the storm.

I encourage you to find time in your day to give thought in prayer to those who have already experienced loss and for those that will in the days to come. Please also participate in the response either through your giving of time, prayer or resources. Tomorrow we will be issuing an appeal with ways to give and more information about the response of your church, the ELCA.

Peace,

Megan Bradfield, Director for International Disaster Response

Gifts to ELCA International Disaster Response allow the church to respond globally in times of need. Donate now.

Services offered: Information Resource, Online Networking, Blog; Long Term Recovery, International
Campaigns: 2012 Hurricane Sandy; Lutheran Disaster Response
Updated Nov 2, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9480

Other locations

Lutheran Disaster Response – Dale & Jean Peercy National Trainers/Consultants (CONSTRUCTION/PROJECT MANAGEMENT)

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Training & Networking Association
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This team is a "mobile" training team that will travel to your disaster impacted community to help train your disaster relief/recovery teams, and/or help you manage incoming teams coming from other regions to help your community recover from disaster.

Training provided on behalf of State VOAD Leaders or Long Term Recovery Group Director or Administrator ONLY

Disaster should be FEDERALLY DECLARED

Contact for more information or to request training: jeanniepeercy@aol.com

Services offered: Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Disaster Damage Assessments for Disaster Managers; Disaster Relief System Development Guidance; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Management, Disaster Consultant; Management, Volunteer Coordination Services; Management, Volunteer Management Resources; Medical, Education, Mother and Child Health Awareness; Services, Disaster Mitigation; Services, Disaster, Post Disaster Needs Assessment; Services, Disaster Preparedness; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Disaster Response; Services, Disaster Response, Recovery, Preparedness & Mitigation; Training Classes, Construction, Bio–Remediation Instruction; Training Classes, Construction, Mold Remediation; Training Classes, Construction, Rebuilding, How to SAFELY Rebuild Hurricane Damaged Homes; Training Classes, Disaster Mitigation; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Training for Case Managers; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Volunteer Training; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness; Training Classes, Disaster Recovery; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Training Classes, Disaster Volunteer Management; Training Classes, Disaster Volunteer Orientation; Training Classes, First Response, Misc. * (ANY/ALL Types); Training Classes, Red Cross, Disaster Action Team Training; Training Classes, Traffic Control; Training Workshops, Disaster Ops, Disaster Rebuilding/ Recovery Workshops
Campaigns: Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Lutheran Disaster Response; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster), Associate Member/Informal Affiliation; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member)
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National Disaster Interfaiths Network (NDIN)

Info/Hotline · Open

Phone 212.669.6100
Contact Manager
Email info @ n–din . org
Web www.n–din.org
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Based in New York, this group looks to be a single coordinating agency for all of the country's faith–based recovery groups. It has an online database for social/disaster relief resources.

Note on the left side:

1. To register your org, it's easy. Click "Submit Directory"

2. To see an incredible library of resources for disaster planning/management, choose "resources". Scroll down to see a bunch of links to "tip sheets":

TIPS SHEETS:
01 – Disaster Basics for Faith Communities
02 – The Disaster Lifecycle: Where Do Religious Leaders Fit In?
03 – The Role of Faith Communities in Disasters
04 – How to Use Your House of Worship in a Disaster
05 – Disaster Backlash: Bias Crimes & Mitigation
06 – Continuity of Operations Planning
07 – Self–Care for Religious Leaders
08 – Disaster Spiritual Care
09 – Faith Communities & Disaster Mental Health
10 – Trauma Resilience and Harm Reduction in the Community
11 – Faith Communities & Evacuation Planning
12 – Faith Communities & Disaster Sheltering
13 – Faith Communities & Disaster Volunteerism
14 – Faith Communities & Donations Management
15 – National Faith–Based Disaster Service Organizations

Services offered: Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Directories, Directory of Contacts, Incident Command; Directories, Directory of Services, County/Parish; Disaster Relief Supplies, Misc.; Distribution * (ANY/ALL Types); Distribution, Bulk Distribution; Distribution, Disaster Relief Supplies (Distribution To Org's Supporting Disaster Efforts); Distribution, Supplies, Local Distribution of Supplies; Distribution, Supplies, National Distribution of Supplies; Distribution, Supplies, Regional Distribution; Documentation, Disaster Preparedness Guidance, Community Groups; Documentation, Disaster Preparedness Guidance, Sample Timeline; Documentation, Disaster Recovery Process; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Community Groups; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Roles; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Supply Management; Documentation, Emergency Supply Kit Instructions; Documentation, Volunteer Instructions; Documentation, Volunteer Management Guidance; Donations, Coordination, Large Donation Coordination; Donations, In–Kind Donation, Services; Donations, In–Kind Donations Services, Corporate (Large); First Responder, Nationwide (All U.S. Regions); Information Resource, Disaster Prep, Governments/Community Groups; Information Resource, Disaster Prep, Relief Workers; Information Resource, Disaster Resources for Disaster Responders; Information Resource, Navigating the Disaster Recovery Process; Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; Information Resource, Situation Reports & Status Reports; Long Term Recovery Support; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Management, Disaster Consultant; Management, Donations Management; Management, Supply Chain Management Advice; Management, Supply Chain Support/ Coordination; Management, Support, Disaster Response Coordination & Guidance; Management, Volunteer Coordination Services; Management, Volunteer Management Resources; Resource Bank; Resource Databases for Supplies/Services ($ FEE–BASED, NOT FREE); Resource Databases for Supplies/Services (NO FEE); Services, Disaster Mitigation; Services, Disaster, Post Disaster Needs Assessment; Services, Disaster Preparedness; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Disaster Response; Services, Disaster Response, Recovery, Preparedness & Mitigation; Services, Logistics Support; Support for "All" Disasters; Support for "All Local" Disasters; Training Classes, Disaster Mitigation; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, CAN Training; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Communications; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Disaster Ministry, Faith–Based; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Disaster Relief/Recovery, Online; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Mass Feeding; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Volunteer Training; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness; Training Classes, Disaster Recovery; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Training Classes, Disaster Volunteer Management; Training Classes, Disaster Volunteer Orientation; Training Classes, Emergency Distribution Operations; Training Classes, Emergency/Evacuation Shelter Operations; Training Classes, First Response, Misc. * (ANY/ALL Types); Training Classes, Warehouse Operations; Training Workshops, Disaster Ops, Disaster Rebuilding/Recovery Workshops
Campaigns: 2010 US Severe Storms and Flooding; 2011 Alabama Tornado; 2011 Georgia Tornados; 2011 Hurricane Irene/ Tropical Storm Irene; 2011 Massachusetts Tornado; 2011 Mississippi Tornado; 2011 Missouri Tornado; 2011 North Dakota Flood; 2011 Other Disasters; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; 2011 Texas Wildfires; 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; Aidmatrix; American Red Cross; CAN (Coordinated Assistance Network.); Catholic Charities; Catholic Charities Community Services; Catholic Charities Social Services; Catholic Charities USA; CityTeam; CWS ~ Church World Service; Disaster Response Network; Ending Extreme Poverty; Habitat For Humanity; Homelessness Relief Services; Islamic Relief; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Mercy Corps; Operation Blessing; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; UMCOR Relief Network; United Methodist Disaster Response; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a Chapter Level Member); VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Vision
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