BonaResponds: Resource Guide

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AL

Bona Responds – 2011 AL Tornadoes

Volunteer Camp · Open

HQ: Box BY, St. Bonaventure NY 14778, Tuscaloosa, AL

Phone 585-376-0231
Service Temporary

FROM THE SITE:

BONARESPONDS: ALABAMA

BonaResponds will be setting up a volunteer work camp near Tuscaloosa, Alabama to organize disaster relief assistance. All are welcome to give a hand – no special skills are necessary!

If you're interested in possibly joining us for all or part of the time, please add your info to our list here. Basic information is provided below and regular updates will be made to our Blog and Twitter accounts:

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP: https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?hl=en&formkey=dDFqa19WMlpHMmFOd2FRbWtxWnk4WUE6MQ#gid=0

BLOG: http://bonaresponds.blogspot.com/

TWITTER: https://twitter.com/#!/bonaresponds

A BonaResponds trip is being planned!! Details are still being worked out, but here are some tentative plans:

* Dates – come when you can, as long as you can – camp will be open May 17 through at least Memorial Day weekend. (Volunteers will travel from SBU on May 16.) Volunteers can come for a day, a week, or the whole time – all help is welcome!!
* Location will probably be somewhere near Tuscaloosa (closest airport is Birmingham). Ground transportation can be arranged if you choose to fly in. A van (maybe two?) will also be traveling down from St. Bonaventure.
* Flexibility is HUGE! We will continue to post updates on our plans here as we firm them up as well as other information to share on our blog and Twitter updates.

Thanks so much for your interest! Fill out this form to let us know that you may be interested in joining us. Once more information is known and plans can be firmed up, we'll continue to post updates on the website and will forward trip plans to you by email. Questions? You can email us at bonaresponds @ gmail.com or call 585-376-0231.

Services offered: Cleanup, Debris Removal, Volunteer Services; Information Resource, Online Networking, Blog; Information Resource, Online Networking, Twitter Page/Twitter Feeds; 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: 2011 Alabama Tornado; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes-Floods-Wind Storms; BonaResponds

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NY

BonaResponds (NYVOAD Member)

Info/Hotline · Open

Box BY, St. Bonaventure, NY 14778

Phone Not listed
Web www.bonaresponds.org
Service Temporary

From the NYVOAD Member Directory:

Organizational Structure

BonaResponds is volunteer organization that aims to help people. We got our start in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina as a disaster response organization. Since then we have grown into a local volunteer organization that has about 60-70 workdays a year both locally and nationally.

BonaResponds operates largely as independent but under the University's supervision. We pride ourselves on being open to all. There is no requirement for any University connection to participate as either a member or leader. BonaResponds' board of advisors is made up of approximately 1/3 experienced long term volunteers from around the country whom we have worked with, 1/3 alumni and former BonaResponds students, and 1/3 current SBU faculty members. Additionally 2 positions are held by current students.

Disaster Program

BonaResponds was started purely as a disaster response program and while we have grown into a year round organization that works frequently in non–disaster projects, the core of what we do remains disaster response.

We have responded to disasters in Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama, Arkansas, Missouri, Iowa, Texas, Georgia, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York. The disasters have ranged from hurricanes, to floods, to tornadoes, to fires, to snow storms. We have been both the lead–group coordinating other volunteers as well working under other groups. Work has included tree work (cutting downed trees and hauling away), mudding out houses, gutting houses, and even tearing houses down completely. We have also helped with roofing, construction of new homes, and dry–walling houses that were damaged in disasters.

BonaResponds Twitter Page: http://twitter.com/bonaresponds

BonaResponds Blog: http://bonaresponds.blogspot.com/

School Supplies for Haiti

We will be sending a shipment of school supplies to Haiti. Thanks so much to all who have donated! We are collecting a variety of extra school supplies, including notebooks, pens, pencils, markers, crayons, calculators, backpacks, and other items. School supplies will be sent to schools and orphanages in Haiti.

School supplies may be dropped off at the following locations:

* 231 Murphy Building (west side of SBU campus),
* Allegany Park and Shop,
* Abbott Welding in Olean,
* WESB 1490 Radio Station in Bradford,
* or call 716–375–2111 to arrange a pickup

VOLUNTEERING: http://www.bonaresponds.org/lsd.html

We work locally most weekends. Stayed tuned to our blog and Twitter pages to find out about upcoming projects such as Justin's house, trail work, and joint projects with CYC.

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Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2008 MidWest Floods; 2010 Haiti Earthquake; 2011 Hurricane Irene/Tropical Storm Irene; BonaResponds; Hands On Disaster Response; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
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