CWS ~ Church World Service: Resource Guide

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AK

VOAD (Alaska) AKVOAD

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD

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Web www.akvoad.org

2010 Gulf Oil Spill

NVOAD Sitrep 6/16/10

The Alaska VOAD has taken the initiative to hold two conference calls to share the lessons they learned from the Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska. The Alaska VOAD Chair and Vice–Chair have moderated these conversations which have included topics surrounding the long–term implications of an oil spill and the emotional impact on the community. The in–depth question–and–answer period allowed listeners from the Gulf Coast region to ask more specific questions of the panelists and, hopefully, prepare themselves for some of what they may face in the coming months.

POST FROM WEBSITE 5/09

2009 Spring Flooding

Donate Dog Food

AKVOAD Establishes Spring Flood Donations Management System

Anchorage, Alaska – Alaska Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (AKVOAD) established donation collection points in Anchorage and Eagle River. People who want to help victims of the recent flooding are asked to call one of their local Adventist Community Services (ACS) donation points and ask what items have been requested by the communities.

“Alaskans can be very generous when other Alaskans are in need. We have established a system that will ensure that when an item is donated it is delivered to someone that needs that item,” said Richard Whetsell, chairperson for AKVOAD. “One challenge of donations management is to avoid providing unneeded assistance to one community while another community goes without.”

Cash donations are the most effective way to directly help those in need. Cash donations can be made at any Alaska USA Federal Credit Union. Make donations to Donations Account 2009 Spring Flooding, Account #118722. The money will be used by the Alaska Long Term Recovery Committee, which is a cooperative effort between volunteer organizations to address unmet disaster recovery needs.

To make material donations in Anchorage contact the local Adventist Community Services collection points at:

North Anchorage Contact:
Dave Heusser
278–6278
Email: dgh@alaska.net

Tudor Road Contact:
Marie Alexander
Cell: 907–952–4704
Email: m.alexander@acsalaska.net

South Anchorage Contact:
Barney & Pat Baty
Cell: 907–244–0686
Email: barney.baty@acs–alaska.com

Eagle River Contact:
Ruth De Graaff
Cell: 907–764–9759
Email: rdegraaffus@yahoo.com

For more information contact the State Emergency Coordination Center AKVOAD desk at 428–7131 or Arlan DeYong at (907) 351–9455.

SEE WEBSITE FOR LINKS TO DONATE!

Services offered: Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CWS ~ Church World Service; REACT International; Salvation Army; World Relief; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~

Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services; World Vision International
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AL

Church World Service Emerg Resp – Support for Alabama

Info/Hotline · Open

AL

Service Temporary

7/27/11 Email from Bryan
In addition to school kits and clean–up buckets we can provide at any point in the response/relief/recovery continuum.
heavy wool blankets
light weight blankets, useful for temporary window curtains, room dividers, floor covering as well as blankets for personal use.
personal hygiene kits

Our long term training includes:
free monthly webinars on some aspect of long term recovery. details at www.cwserp.org
on–site training, including Recovery Tools and Training, First Steps toward Recovery, Emotional and Spiritual Care;
telephone or on–site consultation by an experienced Emergency Response Specialist for long term recovery committees for problem solving, organizing strategies, etc.

6/13/11: Sent out to all VOADS:
Attached is preliminary draft of Church World Services (CWS) Recovery Tools and Training schedule. The training dates as of today are tentatively scheduled for JULY 7th in Huntsville, July 9th in Chattanooga, July 11th in Birmingham, July 13th in Thomasville, and July 15th in Tuscaloosa (locations TBD).

8:30 AM: Gathering and Registration

9:00 AM: Introductions and Welcome

9:30 AM: Long–term Recovery: (Bryan Crousore, Church World Service)
FEMA Sequence of Delivery (FEMA VAL)

11:30 PM: Lunch/Networking

12:00–1:45 PM: Break–out Sessions: (each participant chooses two sessions)
CAN: Coordinated Assistance Network
CRWRC: Community Needs Assessment
CWS: Finding Money, Muscle, and Material
FEMA: Individual Assistance/National Donations Management System
LDR: Construction Volunteers and Management
PDA: Emotional and Spiritual Care
UMCOR: Disaster Case Management

1:45–2:00 PM Break/Networking

2:00–3:45 Break–out Sessions repeated

3:45–4:30 Closing Plenary: Questions and Answers

6/7/11: Sent out to all VOADS:

Assistance for Disaster Affected Communities
Following a disaster event many communities find there is a long way to go to find a new normal in their communities. Church World Service has many offerings to help local faith and community leaders understand and carry out the tasks of long–term recovery.

Material Resources
CWS can provide important material resources to disaster affected communities. Emergency clean–up, baby care, personal hygiene and school kits are small packages of supplies assembled by volunteers. The contents have been selected with care based on decades of experience. Kits may be sent to CWS at any time to provide resources quickly whenever and wherever they are needed. For more information, go to www.churchworldservice.org.

Early Response and Sustainability Grants
Grants may be given to local, long–term groups to assist with the initial tasks of organizing and staffing or to sustain the effort over the long term. While many organizations are willing to finance direct aid to persons, CWS is unique in targeting its grants to organizational needs.

Recovery Tools and Training is a full day workshop lead by a CWS Disaster Response Specialist and other experts with information to assist long–term recovery groups to lead a community to a new normal. This workshop covers the full gamut of long term recovery needs, from forming a mission statement to when to close up shop.

First Steps is designed to help newly formed recovery groups know what to do in the organizing stage of development. This three hour, interactive workshop will focus on mission, bylaws, fiscal policies, organizational choices, and fund raising.

Webinar based training is offered on the first Tuesday of each month on an aspect of long term recovery. Three times each year, a six hour series, conducted over 2 days, address the basics of Long Term Recovery. For details and to register, go to www.cwserp.org.

Community Specific Training can be designed by community leaders and CWS Disaster Response Specialists. CWS does not have “cookie cutter” training and will design training on–site or webinar based to address identified needs.

Follow–up Mentoring and Continuing Education recognizes that no one workshop or curriculum can cover all aspects of long–term recovery or address every issue. CWS Disaster Specialists are available by phone, e–mail, webinar, or on–site to answer questions, provide guidance, and assist with unanticipated needs.

Community Arise is a curriculum in eight modules that was developed by some of the most experienced disaster responders in the nation. Interested persons can use some of these modules without an instructor; others are best used with leadership by a CWS Emergency Response Specialist or one of the participating communions. Access this curriculum at www.communityarise.com.

Projects to decrease vulnerability and increase resiliency for persons and communities experiencing vulnerability to disasters aim to increase the ability of those persons to recover from subsequent disaster events. When a resiliency need is identified, CWS will work with denominations and other organizations to find funding, material resources and personnel to carry out the identified project.

Church World Service was founded in 1946 and is the relief, development and refugee assistance ministry of 37 Christian communions in the United States. CWS works in partnership with indigenous organizations in more than 80 countries. The CWS Emergency Response Program helps the faith community play its special role in disasters in the U.S. and around the world. The Domestic Disaster Division of CWS is composed of a team of Emergency Response Specialists in training and project development.

CWS is a national member of Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster and fully subscribes to the principles of cooperation, coordination, communication and collaboration. CWS ERP will work with participating denominations, ecumenical partners and others to avoid the duplication of services and fully utilize the existing expertise of local leaders.

The programs and services of CWS are available to all persons affected by a disaster. CWS is especially concerned to locate and serve persons who are especially vulnerable to disaster because of economic, ethnic, racial discrimination, age, social or other reasons. The ultimate goal of CWS is to help disaster affected persons and communities achieve recovery.

CWS is financially supported by contributions from the member communions and individual donors. CWS does not receive government dollars for the ERP program. Persons wishing to assist CWS financially can do so at www.churchworldservice.org

All services of CWS ERP can be accessed by contacting the CWS ERP at www.cwserp.org.

Per AlVOAD meeting, this group is helping with the 2011 Alabama Tornado Relief.

The Church World Service webinar series on "Long
Term Recovery Basics" is tomorrow and Wednesday. This series of 6 fifty minute
webinars covers all the basic information that people will need to organize or
participate in long term recovery in communities affected by disasters.

It would be very useful for pastors, mission committee persons, and others who
will be called upon to help their communities in the recovery.

People can register at www.cwserp.org for this free training.

Services offered: * KITS, BABY SUPPLY KITS, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, CLEANING/CLEAN UP KITS; * KITS, HYGIENE KITS; * KITS, SCHOOL BAG KITS, NEW Items ONLY; Linens, Bedding, Blankets, NEW ONLY; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; School, Supplies, Backpacks (For School Children); Training Classes, Disaster * (Any & All Types); Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Disaster Relief/Recovery, Online; Training Classes, Disaster Recovery; Training Classes, Online/Virtual Training
Campaigns: 2011 Alabama Tornado; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; 2012 Alabama Tornado; CWS ~ Church World Service; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
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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
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Vice–President
Pualele Foundation
684–254–0554 or 684–733–0094
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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
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CA

Mennonite Central Commitee (HQ)

Info/Hotline · Open

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Web	mcc.org
Checks payable to	MCC
Service	Temporary

FROM THE SITE/RELIEF WEB:

MCC shares resources to assist people in Pakistan
August 13, 2010

WINNIPEG, Man. – Pakistan's worst floods in 80 years have killed more than 1,600 people and disrupted the lives of more than 14 million – about 8 percent of the population.
About 2 million people are homeless and there are fears that outbreaks of water–borne diseases such as cholera could create a health crisis. These numbers are expected to rise as rain and flooding continue across Pakistan.

The floods, which began in late July after heavy monsoon rain over the upper reaches of the Indus river basin, have ploughed a swathe of destruction more than 1,000 km long from northern Pakistan to the southern province of Sindh.

“The floods have destroyed homes, farms, factories and the livelihoods of millions of people,” said Willie Reimer, director of Mennonite Central Committee’s (MCC’s) Food, Disaster and Material Resources program. “Many people have lost everything and are in desperate need of assistance.”

Although MCC does not have an office or staff in Pakistan, it has a history of relief and development efforts there, said Joe Manickam, director of MCC programs in Asia. Most recently, following the 2005 earthquake, MCC supported a large relief and housing reconstruction project implemented by Church World Service–Pakistan/Afghanistan.

“This is a major disaster of enormous magnitude and we want to walk alongside the people of Pakistan during this time of great devastation,” said Manickam.

As in previous disasters in Pakistan, MCC is sharing resources and finances with other like–minded, experienced organizations, such as Church World Service–Pakistan/Afghanistan, that are responding to emergency and humanitarian needs there.

In partnership with members of Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB), a coalition of 15 church–based agencies in Canada, MCC is supporting projects undertaken by two member agencies, Christian Reformed World Relief Committee and Presbyterian World Service and Development, to distribute food kits.

MCC is contributing $20,000 toward the distribution of food kits to 11,000 vulnerable households in Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa provinces, some of the worst–affected areas.

MCC also is sending a container of 2,000 relief kits to support the emergency response efforts undertaken by Christian Reformed World Relief Committee.

In partnership with members of the Canadian Churches in Action, a coalition of 10 church–based development agencies in Canada, MCC is contributing $2,000 for the purchase of tents. This is part of the coalition’s matching funds toward a $68,000–project supported by Manitoba Council for International Cooperation.

“Working in partnerships with church agencies allows us to combine our gifts, contacts and resources as we respond to this serious humanitarian crisis,” said Reimer.

2010 Haiti Earthquake
http://mcc.org/haitiearthquake

Haiti earthquake: On site

Record for HT at:
https://reliefdb.org/shelters/5201

DROP–OFF LOCATIONS – CANADA & US
http://mcc.org/kits/dropofflocations

http://mcc.org/stories/news/mcc–asks–relief–kits–comforters–sheets–haiti

MCC asks for relief kits, comforters, sheets for Haiti
Linda Espenshade
January 19, 2010

AKRON, Pa. – In addition to donations of money, Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is asking the public to supply 20,000 relief kits, 10,000 heavy comforters and 10,000 sheets to be sent to Haitian earthquake survivors.

The supplies will help relieve the discomfort and suffering of Haitians who are sleeping on streets and in open areas because their homes are destroyed or because they don’t trust the safety of the buildings that remain.

MCC’s staff in Haiti and the initial support response team that arrived there Saturday are requesting these supplies as one way MCC can respond to the needs they see around them.

Relief kits include personal hygiene supplies, laundry soap, towels and bandages. People who donate kits are asked to provide complete kits with only the specific items on the list of relief kit supplies that can be found at mcc.org/kits.

The relief kits can be packed in a box or bag and delivered to any of the drop–off locations in Canada or the United States listed at mcc.org/kits/dropofflocations by Feb. 28. MCC will then repackage the kits in new, five–gallon buckets.

Heavy comforters and sheets also are being accepted at any drop–off location until Feb. 28.

MCC asks that the comforters be new and filled with quilt batting or a blanket for extra warmth. Twin–size comforters are preferred, but double/full–size comforters are accepted. Specific requirements are online at mcc.org/kits.

Flat sheets, which also will be used as mosquito netting, can be double–, queen– or king– size. Sheets, with at least a 300–thread count, should be new, cotton and light–colored, which is not as attractive to mosquitoes.

MCC is grateful for the generous financial gifts that people have given to MCC for the people of Haiti, starting just hours after the 7.0 earthquake devastated the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere.

Some of those funds are already at work in Haiti, being used to purchase food and supplies that are available there. MCC is airlifting 70,000 pounds or 31,750 kg of canned meat and 1,000 water filters into Haiti as soon as possible. Another shipment of at least the same amount of meat, probably more, will be sent by sea. MCC is also purchasing thousands of tents and tarps.

MCC is planning a multimillion dollar response over a number of years, focusing on rebuilding homes and livelihoods.

Donations to MCC's response in Haiti are welcome. They should be designated Haiti Earthquake. Donations can be made online or by telephone, toll free, 1–888–622–6337 (Canada) or 1–888–563–4676 (U.S.). By mail, donations may be sent to MCC and MCC U.S., P.O. Box 500, Akron, PA 17501 or any provincial office in Canada.

Linda Espenshade is MCC News Coordinator.

Services offered: Donations, Drop–Off, Collection Site Location
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; 2010 Pakistan Floods; CWS ~ Church World Service; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
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San Fernando Valley Long Term Recovery Group (Sayre/Sesnon/Marek Wildfires '08)

Info/Hotline · Open

LTRG
Sylmar, CA 91342

Phone	1–888–SFV–LTRG
Web	www.rebuildsylmar.org
Serves	Sylmar, Granada Hills, Lake View Terrace, Los Angeles County
Eligibility	Impacted by the Marek//Sesnon/Sayre Wildfires '08
Checks payable to	San Fernando Valley Long Term Recovery Group
Service	Permanent

The San Fernando Valley Long Term Recovery Group is here to serve Marek, Sesnon and Sayre Wildfire surivors.

Sub–committee's include:

Case Management
Donations/Finances
Volunteers
Government Agencies
Clean Up
(Legal is on all committee's)

To make a contribution, please go to: www.rebuildsylmar.org

To register online for survivor assistance, or to volunteer, go to:

www.rebuildsylmar.org

For announcements of events, disaster information, and a disaster resource assistance guide, go to the web site at: www.rebuildsylmar.org

LTRG Organization Members include:

Alicia–Broadus Duncan Multipurpose Senior Center
American Red Cross of Greater Los Angeles
Cal–Pac Conference of United Methodists Church
CARe, Inc. (Community Assisted Recovery)
California Southern Baptists Convention Disaster Relief
Catholic Charities of Los Angeles (Partnered with St. Didacus Church in Sylmar)
Citizen Action Team
Do Your Part
FEMA
Hope Coalition America (A division of Operation Hope)
Los Angeles Emergency Preparedness Foundation
Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest
Neighborhood Legal Services

Providence Health Services (Sr. Outreach Program)
Salvation Army of Los Angeles
Sylmar Neighborhood Council
Tzu Chi Foundation (USA)
Volunteer Center of Los Angeles
World Vision

Services offered: Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, How to, File Disaster Disability Benefits; Assistance, How to Find, Emergency Food Assistance; Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, Referrals, Counseling, Disaster Survivor Counseling Referrals; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Assistance, Referrals, Health Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Disabled, Accessible Housing Referrals for Disabled; Assistance, Referrals, Housing, Housing Resource Referrals; Assistance, Referrals, Information & Referral (For Seniors/Elders); Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, Wildfire Survivors
Campaigns: 2008 California Wildfires; 2009 Station Wildfire; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CAN (Coordinated Assistance Network.); Catholic Charities; CWS ~ Church World Service; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Salvation Army; Tzu Chi Foundation; VOAD (this org is not a member, but is "affiliated")
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CO

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
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FL

Church World Service (CWS)

Info/Hotline · Open

Faith–Based Community/Disaster Relief/Recovery/Humanitarian Aid
14940 SW 153 Street, Miami, FL 33187

Phone 800.297.1516
Web www.cwserp.org
Serves Nationwide
Service Permanent

CWS Situation report: Spring storms 2011
Thursday, April 14, 2011

A series of disasters in recent weeks have marked the end of winter and beginning of spring in the continental United States. Situation:

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Among the disasters CWS has been tracking:

* Flooding in several New Jersey counties, with major damage to some 400 homes.
* A tornado in Greensburg, PA, south of Pittsburgh; some 60 homes affected, half of them destroyed. As well, a tornado in Rayne, LA, damaged about 100 homes.
* Wildfires in Colorado; New Mexico; Oklahoma; Texas; Washington.
* Preparations underway for spring flooding in the Upper Midwest, including the Red River Valley, particularly Fargo and Grand Forks, ND, as well as Devil's Lake, ND. The lake at Devil's Lake is close to overflowing and has no outlet; it has quadrupled in size in the last 20 years.
* Preparations are also under way for possible spring floods in Iowa where the Mississippi River may exceed 1993 record levels at Davenport and elsewhere. The citizens of Iowa were also impacted by severe storms and tornadoes on April 9th and 10th.

CWS response:

Partners in Fargo, including the American Red Cross, Lutheran Disaster Response and UMCOR, have asked CWS for CWS Blankets as a pre–positioning move. In addition, CWS plans to allocate $2,000 for spiritual care and other community–based efforts in Devil's Lake. CWS staff are expected to assist efforts in Devil's Lake later this year.

CWS is monitoring the impact of spring storms in Iowa and elsewhere to determine if we can assist with immediate material support (CWS Emergency Clean–up Buckets, Hygiene Kits, or Blankets) as well as with Long Term Recovery training and support.

HOW TO HELP: Contributions to support CWS emergency response efforts may be made online, sent to your denomination, or to Church World Service, P.O. Box 968, Elkhart, IN 46515.

Japan Earthquake and Tsunami: CWS Situation Report #2; 03–13–11

Source: Church World Service (CWS)
Date: 13 Mar 2011

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE
DEVELOPMENT AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

SITUATION: Rescue efforts continue in Japan following the March 11 tsunami and earthquake that in recent days has taken another potentially deadly turn as the country tries to deal with a growing nuclear crisis.

Japan's prime minister, Naoto Kan, is describing the situation as the worst in the country since World War II, with several nuclear plants in danger of melting down.

As for the direct tsunami and earthquake responses, authorities said the official number of those confirmed dead is nearly 1,600 but is expected to rise substantially; the death toll alone in the Miyagi region could exceed 10,000.

Some 310,000 people have been evacuated to emergency shelters, the BBC reported.

The two immediate needs for affected families include rescue for those who are trapped and the mobilization of relief goods to evacuation sites. Rescue interventions are primarily being carried out by the Self–Defense Force of Japan and other specialized agencies including the Japan Rescue Association. The Japanese government has requested international assistance in response to this massive disaster.

"Although Japan is considered among the most advanced countries in terms of disaster risk reduction measures, the damage caused by the unprecedented scale of this disaster is beyond imagination," said Takeshi Komino, the head of emergencies for CWS Asia Pacific.

"The government is currently focusing on the search and rescue operations as well preventing a catastrophic nuclear crisis from two severely damaged nuclear power plants," he said. "Increasing humanitarian needs are being reported from evacuation sites including a lack of ready–to–eat food, water, health and sanitation kits and blankets."

RESPONSE: CWS has been in contact with the Japan Platform, a coalition of 32 non–governmental organizations, government service agencies and media outlets. CWS may provide support and channel contributions to individual members of the Japan Platform. The Platform has historically been a vital partner to CWS in previous lobbying efforts towards the Japanese government for disaster risk reduction activities in Afghanistan.

Eight member non–governmental organizations of the Japan Platform have already started assessing needs and initiated emergency response activities. These members include Association for Aid and Relief Japan, Adventist Development and Relief Agency, Civic Force, Institute of Cultural Affairs, JEN, Japan Rescue Association, Nippon International Cooperation for Community Development and Peace Winds Japan. CWS is also coordinating with other ACT Alliance members in the Asia–Pacific region as the international response to this disaster scales up.

"Building upon accumulated CWS and ACT Alliance experience in the region, CWS hopes to mobilize support to Japanese NGOs that are on the ground," Komino said. "Contributions from partners and supporters will be used to fill critical gaps in meeting the basic needs of victims in and around the evacuation sites."

Church World Service is also prepared to support, if needed, efforts of faith–based partners in Japan, including the National Christian Council of Japan and the United Church of Christ of Japan.

CWS anticipates issuing an appeal for this disaster once more specifics are known about precise partnerships and response efforts.

HOW TO HELP: Contributions to support CWS emergency response efforts may be sent to your denomination or to Church World Service, P.O. Box 968, Elkhart, IN 46515.

Church World Service is a member of the ACT Alliance, a global coalition of churches and agencies engaged in development, humanitarian assistance and advocacy.

For further information about disasters to which Church World Service is responding please visit www.churchworldservice.org or call the CWS Hotline, (800) 297–1516.

CWS Development and Humanitarian Assistance Program/CWS New York office: (212) 870–3151

Program Director: dderr @ churchworldservice.org

HAITI UPDATES:
http://www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer?pagename=action_what_emerg_examples_haiti

SEE ALSO – https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4894

www.churchworldservice.org OR Emergency Response Program: www.cwserp.org

Disaster Resources:

DRRL who work with FEMA, American Red Cross, and other voluntary agencies in the development of long term recovery programs

Blankets, personal care kits, and other material resources as requested by faith–based organizations for distribution by themselves and other disaster response agencies

Access to specialized volunteers from outside the community for such tasks as spiritual care, volunteer coordination, home rehabilitation and repair, childcare, casework, and organizational capacity building

Connections to local congregations and denominational middle level governing bodies for spiritual care services, volunteers, materials, program support, and needs interpretation.

Connect with others around the world.

If you would like to get your congregation or group involved, or organize an event in your community, please call toll–free 888–CWS–CROP (888–297–2767).

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, Tornado Survivors; Case Management, Wildfire Survivors; Construction, Home Repair, Volunteer Services; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Counseling, Spiritual; Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Disaster Relief System Development Guidance; First Responder, Nationwide (All U.S. Regions); First Responder, Worldwide; First Response Supplies/Items * (ANY/ALL Types); * KITS, TOILETRY/COMFORT KIT, NEW Items ONLY; Linens, Bedding, Blankets * (ANY/ALL Types); Services, Disaster, Post Disaster Needs Assessment; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Disaster Response; Support for "All" Disasters; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Disaster Recovery; Training Classes, Literacy Training; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteer Opportunities, International; Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2005 Hurricane Rita; 2007 California Wildfires; 2007 Midwest Floods; 2008 California Wildfires; 2008 Hurricane Dolly; 2008 Hurricane Fay; 2008 Hurricane Gustav; 2008 Hurricane Ike; 2008 MidWest Floods; 2009 SouthEast Floods, September; 2010 Haiti Earthquake; 2011 Japan Earthquake/Tsunami/Nuclear Disasters; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Japan Platform (JPF); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member)
Updated Apr 18, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2173

GA

Church World Service, Georgia

Info/Hotline · Open

Georgia Tornado Relief Resource Directory
GA

Web www.cwserp.org
Service Temporary

5/18/2011, CWS is offering Long Term Recovery Committees LTRCs help getting started, both funding and grants for training, as well as material donations for the committees and for disaster survivors. Supplies include school supplies, hygiene kits and other supplies.

From GA VOAD site:

Church World Service
14940 SW 153 Street
Miami Florida 33187
Emergency Response Program: www.cwserp.org
Church World Service Homepage: www.churchworldservice.org

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Church World Service (CWS) assists those affected by disaster through spiritual, physical, and psychological care by empowering local, regional, and state religious leadership to collaborate in building or restoring a sense of recovered community.

CWS may send material resources to disaster sites as the need is determined and direct requests are received and DRRL staff responds to disasters throughout the United States on behalf of its 36 member communions and affiliated agencies.

CWS works with and through cooperative faith–based state and local partners and disaster response organizations. Disaster Response and Recovery Liaisons facilitate the work of community partners by serving as organizers, consultants, technical advisors, and links to outside resources.

Disaster Resources:

• DRRL who work with FEMA, American Red Cross, and other voluntary agencies in the development of long term recovery programs
• Blankets, personal care kits, and other material resources as requested by faith–based organizations for distribution by themselves and other disaster response agencies
• Access to specialized volunteers from outside the community for such tasks as spiritual care, volunteer coordination, home rehabilitation and repair, childcare, casework, and organizational capacity building
• Connections to local congregations and denominational middle level governing bodies for spiritual care services, volunteers, materials, program support, and needs interpretation.

Services offered: Assistance, for non–profits (In General); Documentation, Disaster Recovery Process; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Community Groups; Documentation, Volunteer Instructions; Documentation, Volunteer Management Guidance; Financial Assistance, for Long Term Recovery Committee Administration/Training; Fundraising Tools, for Non Profit Orgs; Grants * (ANY/ALL Types of Financial Grants); Grants, Disaster Rebuilding; Grants, Non–Profits Impacted by Disaster; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); * KITS, HYGIENE KITS; * KITS, LAYETTE KITS, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, SCHOOL BAG KITS, NEW Items ONLY; Linens, Bedding, Blankets * (ANY/ALL Types); Long Term Recovery Support; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Management, Disaster Consultant; 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; Services, For Non–Profits; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Construction Skills Training; Training Classes, Disaster * (Any & All Types); Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Training for Case Managers; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Volunteer Training; Training Classes, Disaster Recovery; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Training Classes, Disaster Volunteer Management; Training Classes, Volunteer Orientation & Training; Training, Volunteer Management; Training Workshops, Disaster Ops, Disaster Rebuilding/ Recovery Workshops
Campaigns: 2009 Georgia Storms; 2009 SouthEast Floods, September; 2011 Georgia Tornados; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; CWS ~ Church World Service; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; 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 May 20, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4294

Haiti

Church World Service (2010 Haiti Earthquake Response)

Info/Hotline · Open

Faith–Based Non–Profit Disaster Relief/Recovery
Port–au–Prince

Phone	HQ 800–297–1516 –– 2 other offices listed in notes
Web	www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer
Serves	Haiti
Checks payable to	Church World Service – Haiti Earthquake, Appeal Number #6762
Service	Temporary

FROM RELIEF WEB:

CWS EMERGENCY SITUATION REPORT: HURRICANE TOMAS AND HAITI

Source: Church World Service (CWS)

Date: 05 Nov 2010

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

DEVELOPMENT AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

CWS EMERGENCY SITUATION REPORT: HURRICANE TOMAS AND HAITI

Nov. 5, 2010

SITUATION

As Tomas re–intensified from a tropical storm into a hurricane Friday CWS staff and partners in Port–au–Prince report rising water levels in South and South East Jacmel Departments. Driving winds of 85–mph have already damaged banana plantations, and the storms forced evacuations among the 1.3 million people displaced by January's landmark earthquake.

The city center of Leogane is flooded after the Rouyonne River broke through its banks. Rain is only beginning in Haiti's northern areas.

CWS partner and ACT Alliance member, Norweigian Church Aid reports flooded camps in Cité Soleil.

The communities of Les Palmes and Delatte, commune of Petit–Goave, which are located at an altitude between 800 to 1,200 m (2,625 to 3,937 feet), have suffered extensive damage following the rains and some strong winds. There are destroyed houses

and plantations, landslides, trees uprooted, roads damaged. With crops planted in October, harvests were to occur at the end of November or early December. Most of these crops seem to be destroyed now, which means stocks of foods and seeds are seriously compromised.

CWS RESPONSE

As CWS is actively involved in responding to the Jan. 12 earthquake, staff and local partners have made preparations for Tomas' landfall. "The UN has noted a shortage of tarps in Haiti for emergency shelter needs," said CWS Haiti Program Coordinator Aaron Tate. That may be an issue if Tomas impacts the country substantially. . "Fortunately CWS and its partners have been able to pre-position about 10,000 tarps and a sizeable stock of hygiene kits for immediate needs."

As foul weather dissipates, CWS staff in Port-au-Prince will begin to assess damage and determine appropriate action.

FROM THE WEBSITE:
Church World Service is meeting emergency needs in the aftermath of the earthquake that hit Haiti on Jan. 12. CWS and its partners are providing basic supplies (brought in over ground from the Dominican Republic). It is working with partners to provide water, food, temporary shelter and health assistance. Having worked in partnership in Haiti since the 1960s, CWS will also help to support communities in the long struggle to rebuild.

How you can help: Please contribute online or by phoning 800-297-1516 or by mailing your contribution to Church World Service, P.O. Box 968, Elkhart, IN 46515 (please indicate Haiti Earthquake). CWS Kits are also urgently needed. Thank you!

CHECK THIS PAGE FOR UPDATES -

http://www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer?pagename=action_what_emerg_examples_haiti

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Church World Service Kits are small packages of supplies assembled by volunteers and shipped to people in need around the world.

CWS provides School Kits, Hygiene Kits, Baby Care Kits, and Emergency Clean-up Buckets. The contents of each Kit have been selected with care based on years of experience to make them as useful as possible, wherever and whenever they are sent.

Kits may be sent to Church World Service all year. Your continuing support of this program is very important and helps to ensure Kits are available for immediate response after a disaster in another part of the world or here in the U.S. Thank you for giving from the heart!!

URGENT NEED REQUEST FOR HAITI IS:

Baby Care Kits
http://www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer?pagename=kits_babycare
Hygiene Kits
http://www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer?pagename=kits_hygiene

Initial CWS Emergency Appeal: Haiti Earthquake
Wednesday, January 13, 2010

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Much of the capital was reduced to rubble, and at this early stage estimates of casualties and damage are not known, though thousands are believed to have perished. The Haitian president, René Préval, described the death toll as unimaginable.

The International Red Cross has estimated that more than 3 million people have been affected. In calling for a major international effort to assist Haitians, United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon today called the situation “a major humanitarian emergency and that a major relief effort will be required.”

CWS Response
CWS is issuing this initial appeal with additional revisions planned in coming days.

CWS, a member of the ACT Alliance, is in contact with long-time partners in Haiti, including other ACT Alliance members, Christian Aid and the Lutheran World Federation, and local partners Service Chretien d’Haiti, SKDE and the Ecumenical Foundation for Peace and Justice.

EFPJ’s House of Hope is a day school CWS supports in Port-au-Prince. Preliminary information indicates the orphanage is damaged, and some staff are trying to determine the well-being of other staff and children. Christian Aid colleagues report their office is damaged and are still trying to reach unaccounted-for staff. CWS has also made contact with long-time partner Lutheran World Federation in Haiti.

CWS partners in the Dominican Republic have been contacted and accounted for. CWS contacted Cuban missionaries from long-time partner, the Cuban Council of Churches, which works with people with disabilities in Haiti. CCC staff are currently in the border city of Dajabon trying to account for a dozen of volunteers they work with in Port-Au-Prince.

CWS is sending funds to local partners in Haiti as it continues to assess the situation, and is ready to provide CWS Kits and CWS Blankets to those in need. Church World Service anticipates that in conjunction with our partners (some of whom have been directly affected by the earthquake) we will be providing temporary shelter, food and health assistance. CWS will also be supporting communities in the long struggle to rebuild from this disaster – the worst earthquake to strike Haiti in 200 years.

In speaking to CWS staff today, CWS Latin America and Caribbean Coordinator Martin Coria said communications with CWS partners in Haiti remains difficult. But he praised "the resilience and spirit of the Haitian people", whom he said have endured poverty and repeated humanitarian and political crises for many years.

How to help
Contributions to support this emergency appeal may be sent to your denomination or to Church World Service, P.O. Box 968, Elkhart, IN, 46515. Please designate: Haiti Earthquake, Appeal Number #6762.

ENewsletter from CWS 1/12/10:

If there is a place on Earth that could have done without an earthquake right now, it's Haiti.

A 7.0–magnitude quake struck Haiti Tuesday, shattering buildings and forever changing lives. While authorities still don't know the extent of the damage, it is estimated that 3 million people may be affected by Haiti's worst earthquake in 200 years. One survivor reports there are thousands of people roaming the streets, looking for shelter.

Haiti is already the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere, with 8 out of 10 people living in extreme poverty. It's a place where many in the world have turned their backs. But not Church World Service.

Now, a massive earthquake has hit this already vulnerable island nation, and the needs there are greater than ever before. PLEASE DONATE NOW.

CWS has an established presence in Haiti, with our partners Service Chretien d´Haiti, Christian Aid, SKDE and the Ecumenical Foundation for Peace and Justice. EFPJ's House of Hope is a day school CWS supports in Port au Prince. Preliminary information indicates the school is damaged, and staff are trying to determine the well–being of their colleagues and the children.

Photo: Don Tatlock/CWS
Some of its students are pictured here, in happier times.

We're working to help our partners in this time of urgent need––will you take a moment to make this work possible?

You make it all happen.

Please donate now!

Please stay tuned for more information and updates on the CWS response to the devastating earthquake in Haiti. And, join us in praying for the people affected by this earthquake

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Washington, DC 20002
Phone: 202–544–2350
FAX: 202–546–6232

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Disaster Survivors; Advocacy, Health & Human Rights; Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Demographic Served: Vulnerable & Marginalized Populations; Donations, Disaster Fund; Donations, In–Kind Donation, Services; Long Term Recovery, International; Services, Disaster Mitigation; Services, Disaster, Post Disaster Needs Assessment; Services, Disaster Preparedness; Services, Disaster Response

Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; 2010 Haiti, Hurricane Tomas; Christian Aid; CWS ~ Church World Service
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Lutheran World Relief – 2010 Haiti Earthquake

Info/Hotline · Open

Service Temporary

LWR Haiti Blog: http://blog.lwr.org/search/label/Haiti

FROM THE SITE:

Thanks to your generous support, Lutheran World Relief has raised enough funds to commit $6 million to immediate and long–term recovery work following January's devastating earthquake in Haiti.

These funds already provided food, water, shelter and other vital needs immediately following the earthquake. Looking beyond relief to recovery, we are working with partners on the ground to help rural communities cope with the migration of nearly 600,000 earthquake survivors from urban areas.

Through programs focused on growing food, stimulating local economies, and getting Haitians back to work, LWR is committed to helping the people of Haiti recover. This work is made possible by the compassion and generosity of people like you. Thank you!

To help ease the stress on rural communities, LWR is working with several partners to provide immediate relief while developing a long–term response. With Partenariat pour le Développement Local (PLD), a local Haitian organization, LWR will help communities in the regions north of Port–au–Prince where most displaced people are migrating. The emergency response will focus on food, water, temporary shelter and sanitation.
Similarly, LWR is working with partner World Neighbors to grow food, restore local economies, rebuild infrastructure, get people back to work, and provide necessary health and sanitation measures in those same regions.

LWR is also working with the Actions by Churches Together (ACT) global aid alliance to ensure people have immediate access to food, water, and shelter in and around Port–au–Prince. LWR has committed more than $750,000 to providing temporary shelter, food and access to water and sanitation services. Since the earthquake, LWR has also sent thousands of health kits, layettes, and quilts to partners Christian Aid, Church World Service, and International Relief and Development. These items are being distributed to people badly affected by the earthquake and LWR is mobilizing more resources for future shipments to Haiti.

Services offered: Donations, Disaster Fund; Information Resource, Online Networking, Blog; * KITS, LAYETTE KITS, NEW Items ONLY; Linens, Bedding, Blankets * (ANY/ALL Types); Long Term Recovery, International; Shelter, Supplies * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; Christian Aid; CWS ~ Church World Service
Updated May 25, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/5901

IL

Church of the Brethren

Info/Hotline · Open

1451 Dundee Ave., Elgin, IL 60120
Phone Phone: 800–323–8039 or 847–742–5100
Web www.brethren.org
Service Temporary

2010 HAITI EARTHQUAKE

Brethren Disaster Ministries
The Church of the Brethren is responding to the devastating 7.0 earthquake that shook Haiti's capital city of Port–au–Prince on January 12, 2010.

http://www.brethren.org/site/PageServer?pagename=serve_brethren_disaster_ministries_HaitiEarthquake

How to contribute to the relief effort in Haiti
The Emergency Disaster Fund is now receiving donations toward earthquake relief work in Haiti. Find the online donation page at www.brethren.org/HaitiDonations

A special web page "Prayers for Haiti" has been created for church members, congregations, and others concerned about the people of Haiti to express their prayers following the earthquake, go to www.brethren.org/HaitiPrayers .

An online updates page offers updates on the Haiti earthquake relief effort, find it at www.brethren.org/HaitiEarthquake .

Donations of relief supplies also are needed. Brethren Disaster Ministries is requesting donations of Gift of the Heart Hygiene Kits and School Kits, which will be in large demand in the area affected by the earthquake. The kits should be sent to the Brethren Service Center, P.O. Box 188, New Windsor, MD 21776. For instructions to make the kits, go to www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer?pagename=kits_main .

Services offered: Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Donations, Disaster Fund; * KITS, CLEANING/CLEAN UP KITS; Volunteer, Long–Term Volunteer Opportunities
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; 2010 Pakistan Floods; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; CWS ~ Church World

Service
Updated Jan 14, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4955

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:

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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

Japan

JPF (Japan Platform)

Info/Hotline · Open

Humanitarian Aid/Emergency Assistance
Otemachi Bldg, 266, 1–6–1 Otemachi,Chiyoda–ku, Tokyo 100–0004 Japan, Tokyo
Phone +81–3–5223–8891 FAX:+81–3–3240–6090
Web www.japanplatform.org/E/index.html
Service Temporary

SOURCE: SEEDS Asia SitRep 8 dated 3/24/11
http://www.seedsasia.org/eng/sit_8.pdf

"– JPF□distributing food, water in Sendai city, coordinating JPF member organizations."

JPF & JANIC

Recommendations to the International NGOs for Disaster–related Activities in East Japan

23 March 2011

We would like to recommend the following points to those International NGOs which are already in Japan or planning to come to Japan for the relief operation. The points are based on the present situation in Japan, including some unchanging & peculiar ones, and some changeable ones reflecting the ongoing situation.

1□Currently we are observing the unusual prolonged emergency and semi−emergency period due to the fuel shortage in the first 12 days, the large scale of damage and affected areas, and radiation levels in Fukushima. A large number of people from Fukushima have experienced repeated evacuations and are still relocating to other Prefectures including Tokyo.

2□ In Japan, humanitarian & welfare activities are coordinated by the Prefectural Social Welfare Councils (SWC), as well as Municipality SWCs at city/ward/town/village. After a huge disaster, a local SWC is supposed to establish a Disaster Volunteer Center (DVC) at Prefecture and Municipality levels. At present, Pref. DVCs in Iwate, Miyagi, Fukushima, Ibaraki and Chiba have been established, while many city/ward/town/village SWCs have not been able to do so, due to their multilayer damages. Under this situation, a large number of individual volunteers are still requested to wait until the situation allows accepting them. Some Japanese NGOs, which are well organized and self−sustainable (food, accommodation, and communication etc.), have started their activities.

The International NGOs which are requested to wait for the time being are strongly advised to inform and consult with a Pref. DVC prior to the commencement of their activities (communication to be made in Japanese language). The Pref. DVC may advise the NGOs about needs, local DVCs and etc.
During the operation, please do keep in close contact with the municipality DVCs, and do inform the same DVCs about the completion of the operation well ahead of time for the smooth take over.

Contact list of Prefecture Disaster Volunteer Centers

Prefecture: Iwate
Telephone: 019−637−9711
Fax: 019−637−4255
Email: vc−1 @ iwate−shakyo.or.jp

Prefecture: Miyagi
Telephone: 090−6853−1863
Fax: 022−217−9388
Email: g101 @ miyagi−sfk.net

Prefecture: Fukushima
Telephone: 024−522−6540
Fax: 024−522−6546
Email: vc @ fukushimakenshakyo.or.jp

□□Many SWCs/DVCs are still struggling to establish themselves and sustain their activities. NGOs should realize the importance and present situation of local DVCs, and are advised to support them in any possible ways, as many of their basic resources had been lost.

4□We observe the concentration of NGOs and relief materials in Miyagi Pref. in comparison to Iwate Pref., Fukushima Pref., and other Prefectures. There is a general tendency to avoid Fukushima Pref. due to the fear of nuclear radiation, while many people are struggling hard to help the victims.

5□ A huge number of individual volunteers working in the affected areas will be soon available in Japan; therefore, it is recommended for the International NGOs to consider deploying a small number of staff members.

For further information, please contact:

Japan Platform (JPF) Address: Otemachi Bldg, 266, 1−6−1 Otemachi, Chiyoda−ku, Tokyo 100−0004 Japan
TEL:03−5223−8891 FAX:03−3240−6090,
Mail: info @ japanplatform.org
URL: http://www.japanplatform.org/E/index.html

Japan Platform (JPF) is taking action for emergency assistance for the victims of North−East Japan earthquake and tsunami that occurred on 3/11/2011 2:46PM.
JPF is an international emergency humanitarian aid organization made up of a consortium of 32 Japanese NGOs, the business community, and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan.

Along with this decision, JPF member NGOs are mobilizing their teams for emergency assistance such as assessment and distribution of emergency goods.

Services offered: Distribution * (ANY/ALL Types); Food * (ANY/ALL Types); Food Distribution, Emergency/Disaster Food Distribution; Services, Disaster, Post Disaster Needs Assessment; Water, * Bottles (ANY/ALL Types of Bottled Water)
Campaigns: 2011 Japan Earthquake/Tsunami/Nuclear Disasters; CWS ~ Church World Service; Japan Platform (JPF)
Updated Mar 25, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7764

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
400 N. Topeka
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
Email: jonesj@mullinvile.org

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
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Kansas Food Bank (Also See J.C. Food Bldg. in Pratt, KS)

Walk–in Resource · Open

Non–Profit
1919 E. Douglas, Wichita, KS 67211

Phone	316–265–4421
Web	www.kansasfoodbank.org
Hours	6:30 am – 7 pm M–Sat.
Checks payable to	Kansas Food Bank
Service	Temporary

ALSO SEE J.C. FOOD BLDG. FACILITY RECORD IN THE DATABASE

UPDATE/VOAD MEETING NOTES – 5/22/07
http://www.ksvoad.org/pdf/5_22_2007%20VOAD%20NOTES.pdf:

Bryan Walker:
Still diverting donations to the KS Food Bank in Wichita to avoid overwhelm. KS Food Bank will be available for long term needs and supply food for as long as it takes. In addition to, rakes and wheelbarrows are being sent from KS City.

From the KS FOOD BANK website:

In addition to donations of money, a limited amount of supplies is being sought for the victims of last weekend's tornadoes.

Bath towels, for example, are needed by people even if they're staying with relatives, said Monique Garcia, a volunteer working with the Salvation Army in Haviland.

Denture cleaner is another item that has been requested by the older population of Greensburg than, say, the diapers that have already been donated, she said.

But kind–hearted people should keep in mind that the population of Greensburg is small, and if one person donates a case of denture cleaner, that will probably do it, said Brian Walker of the Kansas Food Bank, which is serving as a drop–off site for the items. People can call ahead before donating items to be sure they are still needed, Walker said. The phone number is:

316–265–4421.

The Food Bank, 1919 E. Douglas in Wichita, is storing the goods and sending them out as they're needed, controlling the amount that is delivered to Haviland, where storage space is limited, Walker said.

"That eliminates a disaster within a disaster," he said.

No clothing is being accepted for donation. Deliveries can be made to the Food Bank from 6:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Saturday. If you want to take something out Sunday, call first.

Here is the list of needed items. They should be new, not used.

? Bath towels

? Bedding

? Pillows

? Laundry detergent

? Dog and cat food

? Denture cleaner

? Canes

From the KS East Conference United Methodist Website:

Kansas Food Bank coordinating donations

The Kansas Food Bank is coordinating donations of food and supplies for the Greensburg area in cooperation with the Salvation Army and other volunteer organizations, including Church World Service and the United Methodist Disaster Response from the Kansas Area.

Items requested include:

#10 cans of non–perishable food
Work gloves
Trash bags
Snack food
Personal care items
Cleaning supplies
Rakes
Shovels
Tarps

NO CLOTHING PLEASE

Items may be delivered to the Kansas Food Bank at 1919 E. Douglas in Wichita. For questions, contact the Food Bank at 316–265–4421.

Services offered: Food Distribution, Food Bank (This Site Supplies Food Pantries/Agencies); 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: 2007 Greensburg Kansas Tornado; America's Second Harvest; CWS ~ Church World Service; Salvation Army; UMCOR Relief Network; United Methodist Disaster Response; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Jan 1, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1444

KY

VOAD – Kentucky

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
743 Lake Crossing Court, Franklin, KY 46131
Service Temporary

Kentucky
Jim Garrett
Chair
502–639–1376
jim.garrett3806@att.net

Kentucky VOAD
743 Lake Crossing Court
Franklin, IN 46131

Officers:
Kerry McKinney
American Red Cross
1450 Newtown Pike
Lexington, KY 40511–1281
disaster @redcrosslexky.org

Tom Currie, Secretary
Kentucky State REACT Council
7001 Ethan Allen Way
Valley Station, KY 40272–1305
N4AOF @arrl.net

Jim Garrett, Treasurer
Salvation Army
512 W Kentucky St
Louisville, KY 40203
Jim_Garrett @uss.salvationarmy.org
Phone: 317–736–8707

Organizational Affiliation: Indiana–Kentucky Conference, United Church of Christ

Contact: Mary Anna Speller, Chair
Email: maryannaspeller @gmail.com
Cell Phone: 317–409–3993

KY VOAD Membership Roster/Mailing List for '7/04 Storm:

http://www.lutheransonline.com/lo/342/FSLO–1089292943–289342.pdf

Services offered: Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 2009 May Severe Storm & Tornado Support (KY/WV/MO); 2012 Spring – Tornadoes; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; LDS ~ Lutheran Disaster Services; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Salvation Army; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated May 16, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2879

LA

UMCOR (United Methodists) – 2010 Haiti Earthquake Response (Kit Instructions)

Warehouse · Open

UMCOR
UMCOR Sager Brown Depot; P.O Box 850 131 Sager Brown Road, Baldwin, LA 70514

Phone 212.870.3520
Contact UMCOR Project Contact: David Sadoo
Email dsadoo@gbgm–umc.org
Web new.gbgm–umc.org/umcor/getconnected/supplies
Serves Haiti, Carribean
Service Temporary

To get instructions on how to collect and organize "kits":

http://new.gbgm–umc.org/umcor/getconnected/supplies/

HEALTH KIT:

http://new.gbgm–umc.org/umcor/getconnected/supplies/health–kit/

Health Kit Assembly & Shipping Instructions

Health kits provide basic necessities to people who have been forced to leave their homes because of human conflict or natural disaster. Health kits are also used as learning tools in personal hygiene, literacy, nutrition and cooking classes.

Health Kit
Value: $12 per kit
KIT CONTENTS
Place these items inside a sealed one–gallon plastic bag.
1 hand towel (15” x 25” up to 17” x 27”, no kitchen towels)
1 washcloth
1 comb (large and sturdy, not pocket–sized)
1 nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)
1 bath–size bar of soap (3 oz. and up)
1 toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper, no child–size brushes)
6 adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages

(NOTE: UMCOR Sager Brown is now purchasing toothpaste in bulk to be added to health kits before shipping to ensure that the product does not expire before it is sent. Please include $1 for each kit you send toward the purchase of toothpaste.)

Important Kit Assembly Information

All items included in kits must be NEW items.

All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items—nothing more.

Do NOT include any personal notes, money or additional materials in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.

Shipping Kits

Complete 2 packing lists—one for your records and one to put on the shipping box. Paste the shipping label and packing list on the outside of each box you send to UMCOR Sager Brown. The packing list helps the depot to quickly process kits. Processing & Shipping Costs: Please enclose an envelope containing at least $1 for each kit you send. This donation enables kits to be sent without delay to areas in need.

Send Kits to:
UMCOR Sager Brown Depot
P.O Box 850 131 Sager Brown Road
Baldwin, LA 70514-0850

Need Help? Call 1-800-814-8765

UMCOR's Haiti page:

http://new.gbgm-umc.org/Advance/projects/search/index.cfm?action=details&id=3018760

http://news.yahoo.com/s/usnw/20100113/pl_usnw/DC37587_1

UMCOR Responds to the Earthquake in Haiti

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 -

NEW YORK, Jan. 13 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- A major earthquake hit Port-au-Prince, Haiti yesterday, causing widespread destruction. Millions of people are affected and thousands are feared dead. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), the humanitarian relief agency for The United Methodist Church, has close ties with the Methodist Church in Haiti and is responding to the devastating earthquake with funding, material resources and prayers.

UMCOR executive, Melissa Crutchfield says, "We are working with our partners on the ground to provide immediate relief to the people in Haiti. UMCOR has worked in Haiti for many years. We anticipate that there will be years of rebuilding needed and are prepared to work with the people to help them through that process."

Working with partners, Action by Churches Together, Church World Service, Global Medic and the Methodist Church, UMCOR is channeling its resources to respond effectively to the people most in need.

In a statement to Global Ministries' staff, the General Secretary said, "Events such as these can challenge both our faith and sense of security. As a church we know that the heart of our ministry is continuing and extending Jesus Christ's ministry of outreaching love."

How to Help

There will be a great need for volunteers to help rebuild once the initial crisis has settled. At this time, it is not safe or possible for volunteers to go to Haiti. In order to frame a response that is consistent with the churches' needs, people wishing to volunteer should contact their jurisdictional United Methodist Volunteers in Mission coordinator to determine when and how to appropriately respond.

Gifts to support UMCOR's Haiti relief efforts can be made online at Haiti Emergency, UMCOR Advance #418325. Checks can be placed in the offering plate at a local United Methodist church or mailed to UMCOR, PO Box 9068, New York, NY 10087 with "Advance #418325" in the memo line. 100% of gifts will go to help the people of Haiti.

UMCOR Sager Brown is coordinating a shipment of health kits to provide individuals with basic necessities. Instructions for assembling and shipping health kits are available at:

http://new.gbgm-umc.org/umcor/getconnected/supplies/health-kit/

Services offered: Donations, Disaster Fund
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; CWS ~ Church World Service; UMCOR Relief Network
Updated Feb 13, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4954

St. Bernard Project

Walk-in Resource · Open

Non-Profit, Disaster Recovery
8324 Parc Place, Chalmette, LA 70043

Phone	(504) 277 6831
Web	www.stbernardproject.org/v158
Serves	St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana
Checks payable to	St. Bernard Project/IH Center

Service Temporary

FACEBOOK –
https://www.facebook.com/stbernardproject

FROM THE UNITED WAY SITE 6/10:

United Way Impact Partners At Work

St. Bernard Project, a United Way partner agency, is responding to the spill by expanding their mental health clinic to Lower St. Bernard and Plaquemines and creating jobs for fisherman through their Good Work Good Pay (GWGP) program. The Center for Wellness and Mental Health will have increased hours of operation and will attempt to hire local shrimpers and/or their spouses as community outreach workers and peer counselors. The GWGP program will hire, train and pay livable, union–level wages with full benefits to local fishermen affected by the oil spill (as well as other local under– and unemployed individuals and war veterans.)

The Oil Spill and SBP (From the site)

The immediate ramifications of the oil spill and the long–term impact will result in mental health problems for the residents of St. Bernard, Plaquemines and Orleans parishes reports Michelle Many, Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Professor in LSU's Department of Psychiatry. The recent oil spill has already brought a blow to the prolonged recovery from Katrina, and LSU clinicians report that residents are suffering from re–traumatization. "Much research has shown that people who have a history of PTSD (as a quarter of Katrina survivors do), have an increased risk to develop PTSD again."

Uncertainty about the scope of the spill and the impact on residents' livelihoods, is causing increased stress. Receiving assistance checks makes many fishers feel a sense of shame. These feelings, along with the loss and anxiety about the worsening situation in the Gulf, can be triggers for major depression, anxiety and other acute mental health problems. Finally, because many shrimpers and fisherman are self–employed, they do not have health insurance and cannot afford to seek services from the other mental health providers in the community.

Via focus groups, we have learned:

1. fishermen are desperately afraid that they will not be able to support their families, and that generation–surviving employment, lifestyle and recreational pursuits will be forever foreclosed;
2. fishermen are staying away from home because they fear they will contaminate their families if they participate in cleanup and because they do not know how to healthily communicate with their family members about their anguish;
3. wives/partners do not know how to communicate with their husbands/partners to allay their own fears or to sooth/comfort their husbands;
4. suicidal ideations, debilitating anxiety and depression are increasing dramatically for people whose lives intertwine with a water–based culture; and
5. residents are amenable to receiving mental health and wellness services because they know that their current mental status will further debilitate them.

SBP's Proposed Solutions: Expand mental health services and create jobs

1. Conduct training and provide support for a Peer–to–Peer wellness and counseling program using a model that was effective post 911 in NYC;
2. Provide 42 additional clinical hours of free licensed mental health and wellness services
3. (one–on–one and group sessions) in current Chalmette location of our Center for Wellness and Mental Health; Replicate our Center for Wellness and Mental Health in Lower St. Bernard and in Plaquemines Parish and provide at least 70 clinical hours each week in each location;
4. Hire wives and family members of fishermen to conduct community outreach and referral services.

FROM THE SITE:

St. Bernard Project's Center for Wellness and Mental Health

Three years after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita rendered uninhabitable all 27,000 homes in St. Bernard Parish, less than 50% of the population has returned. Even for those who have returned, many are not yet living in their homes. Nearly 2,000 families still reside in FEMA trailers, and thousands of others live in FEMA/DHS supported housing (ending in March 2009) or in over–crowded family houses. In St. Bernard nearly 75% of the 25,000 homeowners did not have adequate insurance. These homeowners, following the recommendations outlined by FEMA’s flood maps, did not purchase flood insurance because they were told that their communities were not at risk of flooding.

Nearly two years after the federal government initiated its Road Home program to help families return and rebuild, an unacceptable number of homeowners are still waiting for assistance. According to a report published by the Brookings Institution in August 2008, only 70% of all qualified applicants for federal Road Home assistance have received funding through the program. To further compound the problems with the Road Home program, an independent study determined that the majority of Road Home recipients did not receive sufficient funds to rebuild. The small size and slow pace of the grants being awarded has resulted in an unnecessarily slow recovery for residents in St. Bernard Parish.

St. Bernard Project's Rebuilding Program is succeeding where others have failed. Our program serves financially challenged clients in three categories: elderly, disabled, and families with small children. By utilizing volunteer labor, skilled supervisors and affordable building supplies, we are able to return clients to their homes by completing volunteer labor in just 12 weeks. The cost to the Project is approximately $12,000 per home. To date the Rebuilding Program has completely rebuilt 167 families' homes. We are currently at work on more than 30 damaged homes.

In order to further contribute to the health and stability of the area, SBP developed a partnership with LSU to open the Center for Wellness and Mental (CMWH). The CWMH will be offered from a private section of the St. Bernard Project's office, a place that residents have visited to access our Rebuilding Program and in which they have developed strong institutional thrust. By operating the CWMH under the same roof as the Rebuilding Program, residents will benefit from a one–stop shopping model that will minimize the stigma that is often associated with accessing mental health services.

The CWMH will begin offering services January 19, 2009 for participants in the St. Bernard Project and other St. Bernard residents including children, adolescents, adults and families. The CMWH will offer both group and individual services including The Welcome Home Program, which will be available to all new participants/families of the St. Bernard Project as they begin the rebuilding process to encourage and support the "psychological rebuilding" that optimally should accompany the structural rebuilding of homes.

St. Bernard Project's Good Work Good Pay Program PDF Print E–mail

SBP recognizes the immense value of our 20,000+ volunteers. The work they have done in the past and will continue to do in the future is a vital component of our mission. However, we realize that a disaster relief model relying solely on volunteers –– and a disaster relief model that takes four and a half years (and counting) to return families to their homes can become even more effective. SBP believes it has found an innovative and replicable solution.

Our newest program, the Good Work Good Pay (GWGP) Program, will hire returned war veterans and other local under and unemployed individuals to build and rebuild affordable housing units. We will pay our new employees livable, union–level wages with full benefits. This will give us the skilled and consistent workforce needed to not only rebuild homes more efficiently for those who owned their homes before Hurricane Katrina, but also to create brand new affordable housing for our lowest income clients.

GWGP will not replace the volunteer–driven rebuilding model that is so essential to our mission but, rather, will work in tandem with it. By using the two programs to complement each other, SBP will be able to keep costs low while substantially increasing the number of units it can complete in a single year. In 2009, SBP was able to return 100 families home. In GWGP's first year, we anticipate completing a minimum of 186 homes. In that same first year, SBP will create over 30 living wage–paying jobs for veterans returning from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Executive Director, Zack Rosenburg, explains how SBP arrived at this innovative solution: "In New Orleans there is an unmet demand for 20,019 affordable housing units and at the same time, we have an unemployment crisis which is amplified in the case of veterans. One in nine veterans are currently unemployed. Our country's returned veterans are not just statistics – they are people who have faced great danger and put themselves at great risk during their tours of duty. This is a solvable problem and we intend to solve it."

Veterans face a variety of challenges when trying to reenter the workforce upon returning home. Robert Pearson, 23 years of age and a former paratrooper explains, "A job counselor once told me that some employers consider a military record 'almost like having a felony' because of the negative, unstable emotional health issues associated with armed service."

While many employers avoid hiring veterans, SBP sees this as an incredible opportunity. A recent study showed that 88% of veterans surveyed said that disaster relief is something they, personally, consider to be "very important" as they move forward in their civilian lives.

"True, some may suffer from post traumatic stress disorder," admits SBP's Director of Construction and himself a veteran, Jim MacQueen. "But veterans are mature, accustomed to following directions, understand the advantages of teamwork, are problem solvers and I am so excited to begin working with them. It will do great things for our organization."

Zack believes SBP is creating a program that can be replicated around the country. "While our city had the misfortune of Katrina, cities across the United States are struggling with the same blighted properties, high unemployment rate, and lack of affordable housing as New Orleans. We believe we are creating a model for recovery that will not only help New Orleans and other natural disaster–affected areas, but will also help any city suffering from the deterioration that accompanies economic disaster."

The St. Bernard Project is a grassroots, nonprofit rebuild organization that provides direct rebuilding, financial and community support to families in St. Bernard Parish, La. who were displaced and devastated by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Our mission is to break down barriers that hinder families from returning to their homes and community.

The St. Bernard Project offers the following services to residents of St. Bernard Parish:

Support A Family Network: Provide building supplies (mainly drywall, roofing and electrical materials) and/or volunteer assistance to help families rebuild their homes.

Tool Co–op: Loan tools and equipment to residents.

Community Center: Provide vital meeting, leisure and computer use space for residents whose community centers have disappeared.

How You Can Help
Volunteer! We can?t operate without volunteers to assist in rebuilding these homes. There is no experience required ? we will teach you everything you need to know!

To sign up, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Janie Strachan at janie @stbernardproject.org or (504) 261 0345. If space is available, please download and read the Volunteer Arrival Packet.

Services offered: Community Outreach Programs; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Demographic Served: Veterans; Donations, Disaster Fund; Drill Bit Sets; Events, Community Meetings; Facility: Community Center; Information Resource, Online Networking, Facebook Page/Group; Information Resource, Online Networking, Twitter Page/Twitter Feeds; Insulation, Walls, Construction; Jobs, Paying Jobs (For Disaster Survivors); Services, Tech, Fax Access (to USE a fax machine); Services, Tech, Internet Access; Services, Tech, Phone Access; Testimonies (Comments by Folks); Tool Lending; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Volunteer Training; 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); Volunteer, Volunteer Registry, Online; Volunteer Work Orders/Projects (provided by this facility)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2005 Hurricane Rita; 2008 Hurricane Gustav; 2010 Oil Spill Gulf of Mexico; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; AmeriCorps; Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; CWS ~ Church World Service; Habitat For Humanity; Salvation Army; United Way
Updated Sep 3, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1363

LTRC, TRAC (Terrebonne Readiness and Assistance Coalition) – Serves Terrebonne & Lafourche Parishes

Info/Hotline · Open

LTRC Disaster Recovery
1220 Aycock Street, Houma, LA 70630
Phone 985–851–2952 or 1/877Trac4LA
Web www.trac4la.com/volunteer_groups.php
Service Temporary

It's time to get ready to recover. Will you help us?

TRAC is beginning recovery efforts from Hurricanes Gustav and Ike. How can you help the people of Louisiana? Click on a tab below to find out more.

There are many ways to support TRAC. You can send material donations, offer to volunteer/organize a volunteer group, make in–kind service donations, send an email of appreciation...you can also be sure that your company or organization is a financial supporter of TRAC. For coporations, foundations or large financial donations – please contact our Director, Peg Case (pegcase@trac4la.com). A financial report will be provided upon request.

SHIPPING ADDRESS:

BARR – HURRICANES GUSTAV/IKE RELIEF
Tunnel Warehouse
510 Bragg Street
Houma, LA 70360

CURRENT LIST OF IMMEDIATE NEEDS as of 09/15/08

RE–BUILDING MATERIALS:
Lumber, plywood
Drywall
Roofing shingles
Flooring (wood, linoleum, tile)
Screws, Nails, Fasteners

CLEANING SUPPLIES:
Bleach, disinfectants, cleaning solutions
Brooms, mops, sponges, paper towels
Trash cans, trash bags

FOOD ITEMS:
Rice
Pasta
Milk
Tomato Sauce
Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruits
Canned Tuna
Canned Chicken

BABY CARE NEEDS:
Baby Formula – Enfamil & Isomil(soy)
Bottles
Pacifiers
Baby Food
Baby Juice
Baby Cereal
Diapers – all sizes
Baby Wipes
Baby Powder
Baby Lotion
Diaper Rash Cream

OTHER ITEMS:
LARGE ICECHESTS HIGH DENSITY/ IGLOO
LARGE GASOLINE CONTAINERS – 5 GAL TO 10 GAL

GIFT CARDS:
GASOLINE – URGENTLY NEEDED
PHONE CALLS (Local, Long Distance, International)

There are many programs that TRAC provides that could use your support. Visit the WHAT WE DO section of the site to find out more about the work TRAC is doing for the people of Louisiana. Then we encourage you to contact TRAC and see how you and/ or your company/organization can support TRAC.

How Is TRAC Making A Difference In Louisiana?

GEOGRAPHICAL AREA SERVED
TRAC provides all of its disaster recovery services to affected families in Terrebonne and Lafourche parishes. TRAC is also providing FEMA/NFIP/SBA appeal advocacy to any family in need throughout the Gulf Region. We are the recognized LA Road Home Advocacy Agency for this area. We serve 21 Southern Parishes with Disaster Preparedness Education Programs.

ORGANIZATIONAL CAPACITY
TRAC, a community based 501(c)3, has worked in the areas of long–term disaster recovery, disaster preparedness education, residential mitigation assistance and year round individual support services since Hurricane Andrew in 1992. TRAC serves as the network convener in coordinating donations, volunteer labor, and financial contributions from the faith, civic, social, business, government groups and individuals that participate in long–term disaster recovery in Terrebonne and Lafourche parishes.

TRAC PROVIDES
– Client Advocacy
– Construction Supervision, Volunteer Worksite Supervision, Construction Estimation
– Volunteer Management, Volunteer Project Management
– Sustainable Housing Development and Technical Assistance - “The LA Lift House”
– Development, Management of all existing programs and those developed organically in the future in conjunction with recovery.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Case Management, Flood Survivors; Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Management, Volunteer Management Resources; Management, Volunteer Placement; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness; 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); Volunteer, Volunteer Registry, Online
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2005 Hurricane Rita; 2008 Hurricane Gustav; 2008 Hurricane Ike; 2010 Oil Spill Gulf of Mexico; Catholic Charities Social Services; CWS ~ Church World Service; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; UMCOR Relief Network; United Methodist Disaster Response; United Way
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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
Paws for Learning, Inc
Salvation Army
Second Harvest Heartland
Steele County CAER
United Church of Christ
United Methodist Church
United Way / 2–1–1
Washington County Emergency Management
World Vision

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Vacant

Member–at–Large

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Member–at–Large

Nancy Beers, Lutheran Social Services

HSEM Representative
Dennis Walter, Voluntary Resource Coordinator
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
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MS

International Relief and Development – (IRD) Gulf Coast Community Services Center

Walk–in Resource · Open

Disaster Recovery/Community
1223 30th Ave Gulfport, MS 39501, Gulfport, MS 39501

Phone	(228) 864–6677
Contact	IRD, Gulf Coast Community Services Center
Web	www.ird.org
Hours	Mon – Fri, 8:00–5:00
Serves	Harrison, Hancock only
Eligibility	Varies depending on programs. Please see notes.
Bring	Please call for more information
Checks payable to	IRD US
Service	Permanent

U.S. Gulf Coast — September 12, 2008 — As Hurricane Ike bears down on the Gulf Coast, IRD is preparing to provide case management and other assistance to those in its path. Staff from IRD's Gulfport–based Gulf Coast Community Service Center is already in Baton Rouge to assist with Gustav response. drawing on the experience from providing case management services to victims of Hurricane Katrina for the past three years.

Your donation will help us bring emergency relief to the victims of this disaster.

The IRD Gulf Coast Community Service Center (GCCSC) has been rebuilding the lives of the citizens of the Mississippi Gulf Coast since October 2005, opening its doors a little more than one month following the devastation of Hurricane Katrina. The goal

of the Center is to reach out to the community and assist in the organization and facilitation of an often–difficult recovery process. Located in West Gulfport, the Center serves the entire Mississippi Gulf Coast, representing most of the Coastal cities as well as the three Coastal counties.

The GCCSC began it work on the Gulf Coast by administering emergency relief, but has transitioned its services to focus on sustainable, long–term recovery. The Center was one of the first agencies in the area administering needs assessments and mapping the most affected areas. The goal of the multi–faceted needs assessment and community mapping process conducted by the Center was to identify potential applicants for assistance following the hurricane. As the recovery cycle progressed from assessing needs to managing needs on an individual basis, the GCCSC has changed its focus to assisting citizens in need through case management. Case managers facilitate the recovery process for survivors by identifying ways to maximize their access to community resources.

The Center hosts a walk–in center for assessments administered by the Harrison County Long Term Recovery Coalition (LTRC), and has developed a resource guide printed by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to provide to other relief agencies as a reference.

The Center also provides financial counseling to hurricane victims and MDA Phase II grant recipients seeking to purchase or rebuild homes through funding from the Enterprise Corporation of the Delta. This counseling not only prepares beneficiaries for homeownership, but gives them tools for long–term financial security. And in partnership with the Mennonite Economic Development Association (MEDA), the Center will create and manage a micro–enterprise capital fund which will finance start–up businesses along the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Additionally, the GCCSC will support the development of an open–air market in its Gulfport neighborhood.

IRD also participates in YouthBuild, a program that provides comprehensive programs for vocational development, workforce training and career counseling with Gulf Coast youth. YouthBuild teaches local at–risk high school students how to assist in rebuilding homes while helping them get their GED.

Helping people rebuild their lives, their relationships, and their sense of self–sufficiency, is equally as important to their long–term recovery and that of their communities as their physical needs. It is the human side of recovery that the GCCSC addresses, for thousands of Katrina survivors.

Services:

1)Case management for Katrina survivors. Eligibility: affected by the hurricane and still have unmet needs

2) Fincancial Counseling. Eligibility: Open to everyone

3) Housing Counseling. Eligibility: Open to everyone

4) Youth Build Program will start in January. Eligibility: youth ages 16 to 24 who do not have a high school diploma/GED

Applications are still being accepted for Katrina survivors and programs. To obtain an application: Monday – Thursday 9:00 – 3:00

Services offered: Advocacy, Disabled/Handicapped; Animals, Rescue, Disaster Response Teams, Pets, Volunteer; Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; 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; Case Management, Disabled/Handicapped; Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, Seniors/Elders; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Disaster Damage Assessments for Disaster Managers; Financial Assistance, Case Management for Financial Matters; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Grants * (ANY/ALL Types of Financial Grants); Grants, Post Disaster (For Rent/Belongings/Home Repairs/Rebuilding, etc.); Services, Disaster Recovery ; Support for "All" Disasters; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Construction Skills Training; Training Classes, Education, 1st Time Home Buyer Education; Training Classes, GED Preparation; Training Classes, Vocational; 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); Youth Outreach; Youth Program
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2008 Hurricane Gustav; 2008 Hurricane Ike; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Americorp VISTA (Volunteers In Service To America); Catholic Charities; Catholic Charities Social Services; Church of Christ Disaster Relief Effort; CWS ~ Church World Service; Gifts in Kind; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, FEMA, DRC (Disaster Recovery Center); Government, US Deptartment of Housing & Urban Development (HUD); Habitat For Humanity; Hands On Gulf Coast; Hands On Network; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Lutheran Episcopal Services of Mississippi; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Operation Blessing; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Salvation Army; Samaritan's Purse; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; UMCOR Relief Network; United Methodist Disaster Response; 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); Volunteers of America; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services; World

Vision; YMCA/YWCA
Updated Jan 27, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1790

R3SM (Restore Rebuild Recover), United Way of Southeast Mississippi

Volunteer Camp · Open

Non–Profit
210 West Front Street, Hattiesburg, MS 39402
Phone Carolyn Thurman 601–606–6176 Fax 601–545–8872
Web www.r3sm.org
Hours 9 am – 5 pm, M–F, Central Standard Time

From the website:

Our Mission is to coordinate recovery services designed to alleviate suffering and stress for the people of Forrest, Lamar, and Perry Counties who have unmet needs due to the occurrence of a disaster. . . currently serving Hurricane Katrina victims.

R3SM identifies unmet needs and resources of individuals through a case assessment survey as a part of the casework management process and meet those needs through collaborative efforts. We support efforts to repair and rebuild homes and lives beginning with the most vulnerable first. In addition we attend to the spiritual and emotional needs of adults and children and provide referrals. We advocate, through referral, for accessible housing, schools, medical resources and employment for all individuals, including those with special needs/disabilities. We serve as coordination point/clearinghouse for recovery funds, resources, and volunteer labor in damage assessment, casework management and rebuilding.

Speciality: Construction related to repair homes damaged by Hurricane Katrina

Description of volunteer needs: Adults and over 16 years of age teams of volunteers to repair and rebuild homes. Adults and college age to perform administrative and clerical–related duties.

Skills volunteers are required to have: Skilled and unskilled labor. Home repair, painting, hanging dry wall, roofing, etc; Some administrative and clerical work available.

Useful Skills: Any and all trade skills; construction and carpentry skills especially useful

Tools or supplies volunteers should bring: Speciality tools as required by the team. Money is always appropriate and needed.

Will volunteers need to bring any money or material, such as for housing: Depending upon availability, requesting $100.00 per week to defray utilities.

Length of time volunteer can help: 5 work days

Size of volunteer team: 10 – 20

Are individual volunteers welcome? Yes

Age restriction, if any: Over 16 years w/ adult supervision

Denomination/affiliation, if any: All welcome, no restrictions

If yes, must volunteer be a member: No

Any other restrictions: Must represent the Long Term Recovery Committee and United Way well to the community.

Housing provided for volunteers, if any: Volunteer housing available – sleeps 15–20. Must coordinate well in advance.

Meals provided for volunteers, if any: Local churches might provide some dinner meals. Kitchen facility is available. Call for details.

Any additional notes: Serving low–income and disabled individuals and families. One year later – we still need help. Please come and volunteer with us.

Approximate date the project started: Jun–01–2006
Estimated date the project will end: Dec–31–2008
Information Updated: Sep–08–2006

For volunteer registry please visit:

http://www.volunteerhattiesburg.org/volunteers/vol–register.htm

Services offered: Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Cleanup, Disaster Debris Removal, Volunteer Services; Counseling, Spiritual; Facilities: Bathroom Facilities (For Volunteers); Financial Assistance, Case Management for Financial Matters; Housing, Volunteer Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC), Unmet Needs Committee Meetings; Meals, Volunteers, Meals for Volunteers; Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Teen Volunteers (This facility accomodates Teen Volunteers)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; AmeriCorps; CAN (Coordinated Assistance Network.); CWS ~ Church World Service; Salvation Army; United Way; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
Updated Jul 18, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/842

LTRC, Southwest Mississippi Recovery Network

Info/Hotline · Open

Disaster Recovery
PO Box 1407; 1410 Apache Drive, McComb, MS 39649

Phone 601–250–5230 (o) 601–250–6830 OR 866–550–5230 (toll free)
Web www.standrewsmission.org/smrn.htm
Serves Amite, Lincoln, Lawrence, Pike, Walthall Counties
Service Temporary

Affiliated w/LTRC Southwest MS Recovery Network

See:

https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1877

Will you volunteer to make a difference?

Please call

601–250–5230
601–250–6830

Toll Free: 1–866–550–5230

Southwest Mississippi Recovery Network

Following the onslaught of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, FEMA received more than 35,000 registrations from residents of Pike, Amite, Walthall, Lawrence and Lincoln counties, who had damage to their residences or completely lost their homes. Although some of the residences are still uninhabitable, due to mold and structural damage, many are occupied due to the shortage of available housing in these counties.

The Organization

Southwest Mississippi Recovery Network is a non–profit organization which focuses on rebuilding the homes and lives of Katrina survivors. This is not accomplished by providing financial aid, but rather offering services and resources. These could include repairs to homes damaged by Katrina or simply a gentle push in the direction of regaining mental health. All at no cost to the survivor.

The Purpose

Meeting with church representatives, community, charitable organizations, FEMA and Church World Service, the Network was formed to

identify, coordinate and facilitate the recovery of survivors of disasters in the five county area of Amite, Lawrence, Lincoln, Pike, and Walthall.

Working with federal, state, and local emergency management agencies, national, state and local faith–based organizations, churches, voluntary and charitable organizations, area business and civic groups, SMRN has the following objectives:

Identify the needs of the disaster survivors

Guide and assist their individual steps in achieving recovery

Seek assistance for their recovery through donated materials, labor and volunteer support

Seek and organize volunteers and professional/skilled labor to assist in rebuilding

Insure financial accountability of all funds channeled through the Long Term Recovery Organization for the purpose of individual recovery

Organize and warehouse materials and supplies to rebuild damaged homes

Assist in identifying the needs of survivors who have temporarily or permanently relocated in the area

Identify those who suffer humanitarian, emotional and psychological damage as a result of the disaster, seeking to direct them to or facilitate support for their personal and family recovery.

Volunteers

We can't do this without you––our heroes, our volunteers. If you can drive a nail, sweep, pick up debris, or fill out a form you can help put a family back in their home. If you can listen with an attentive ear your can help someone regain their faith and begin the healing process.

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Contact: Nancy Caudill Nancy_caudill@msn.com

Organizations:
Southwest Mississippi Recovery Network (serving Amite, Lincoln, Lawrence, Pike and Walthall Counties)

Services offered: Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, How to, Navigate Disaster Relief Resources; Assistance, Referrals, Counseling, Disaster Survivor Counseling Referrals; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, UMCOR ; Construction, Home Repair, Volunteer Services; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2005 Hurricane Rita; CWS ~ Church World Service; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee
Updated Dec 30, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/637

Southwest MS Recovery Network

Volunteer Camp · Open

Non–Profit, Coalition, Disaster Recovery
1410 Apache Drive, McComb, MS 39648

Phone 601–250–5232 / Fax: 601–250–5232
Web www.standrewsmission.org/smrn.htm
Hours 9 am – 5 pm, M–F, Central Standard Time
Serves Pike, Amite, Lincoln, Lawrence, Walthall Counties
Eligibility Impacted by Hurricane Katrina
Service Temporary

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SERVES: Pike, Amite, Lincoln, Lawrence and Walthall Counties in MS

Speciality: Rebuilding Katrina damaged homes

Description of volunteer needs: Unskilled and skilled labor: Roofers, Plumbers, Electricians, Drywall; Trash Temoval; Debris cleanup

Skills volunteers are required to: Want to make a difference

Useful Skills: Trade skills; Trailer Repair

Rural/Farm related volunteers needed: Possible, please call for specifics

Tools or supplies volunteers should bring: Personal linens; work gloves, hard–toes shoes; masks for mold removal; personal hand tools, if possible

Will volunteers need to bring any money or material, such as for housing: None

Length of time volunteer can help: No minimum

Size of volunteer team: Up to 22

Are individual volunteers welcome? Yes

Age restriction, if any: Under 18 needs adult supervision

Denomination/affiliation, if any: We are a network of many

If yes, must volunteer be a member: No

Any other restrictions: Tetanus shot recommended

Housing provided for volunteers, if any: We have a house for our volunteer teams which sleeps and feeds up to 22 comfortably.

Meals provided for volunteers, if any: The house has a complete kitchen; food can be provided, if needed.

Any additional notes: Currently we have over 700 needs assessment cases, 95% are construction related. In our 5 counties, we have over 35,000 FEMA registrations. Counseling and referrals offered.

Approximate date the project started: Mar–08–2006
Estimated date the project will end: Mar–08–2008

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Volunteer, Resource Referrals; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Cleanup, Disaster Debris Removal, Volunteer Services; Construction, Home Repair, Volunteer Services; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Facilities: Bathroom Facilities (For Volunteers); Housing, Volunteer Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Meals, Volunteers, Meals for Volunteers; 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; 2005 Hurricane Rita; CWS ~ Church World Service; UMCOR Relief Network
Updated Sep 19, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/938

Catholic Charities Long Term Recovery Office, Natchez, MS

Walk–in Resource · Open

Faith–based, Non–Profit, Disaster Relief
Natchez, MS 39120

Phone 601–960–8940
Web www.catholiccharitiesjackson.org/hurricanerelief/natchez.html
Hours see notes
Service Temporary

Catholic Charities Natchez: Long–Term Recovery

Natchez Long–Term Recovery Natchez office offers a variety of services to hurricane victims, including:

Long Term Recovery Office provides the following services:

Case management and financial assistance: Our case manager is on duty from 8:30AM – 5 PM, and accepts appointments for general assistance to evacuees and families in Adams County and Concordia Parish, Louisiana who are hosting displaced families in their homes. Financial assistance includes rent, utilities, furniture, medical prescriptions, and transportation. NOTE: Financial assistance is very limited and based on individual needs after all other resources are exhausted. We are setting up appointments by phone at 601–960–8940. We are not giving out the address to discourage walk–ins, allowing us to give more personal, individualized assistance.

Mental health services: These services are offered to those experiencing severe emotional or mental difficulties due to the trauma of the storms and/or subsequent displacements.

Contact:

Martha Mitternight ? Director
Phone: 601–442–4579
Fax: 601–442–4588

Survivors Outlet Mall Warehouse is a joint effort of Catholic Charities, the United Way, the Salvation Army and several churches in town. It is open 3 – 6 PM Monday through Friday. Goods available include:

Non–perishable food items
Clothing
Household supplies
Health and hygeine supplies

Contact:

Martha Mitternight ? Director
Phone: 601–442–4579
Fax: 601–442–4588

Long–Term Recovery Office: Resources

Catholic Charities is a member of Mississippi Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (MSVOAD). This coalition is the counterpart for the state of Mississippi to National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster. The coalition's goal is to foster more effective service to people who have been, or may be in the future, affected by disaster through communication, coordination, cooperation, collaboration, convening mechanisms and outreach. Members of MSVOAD include:

American Red Cross
Bay Area Food Bank
Catholic Charities
Church of the Nazarene
Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC)
Church World Service
FEMA – 1–800–621–3362 or 1–800–525–0321
FEMA Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) points of contact:
Jackson area: Gene Slusher, 601–965–2664
Biloxi area: Charles Craig, 228–523–8738
FEMA Operation Hope [see poster in PDF format about Katrina and Rita services]
Katrina Aid Today –– a consortium of 10 social service and voluntary organizations, led by UMCOR, dedicated to helping survivors navigate the system to recover from this tragic disruption of their lives.
National Relief Network (NRN)
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
Salvation Army
Volunteers of America

Services offered: Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Financial Assistance, Case Management for Financial Matters; Mental Health Services
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; Catholic Charities; CWS ~ Church World Service; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Salvation Army; UMCOR Relief Network; United Methodist Disaster Response
Updated May 27, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/592

NC

VOAD, North Carolina

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
NC
Web www.ncvoad.org
Serves North Carolina
Service Temporary

FROM THE SITE:

Hurricane Helene
September 2024
Volunteer to work with a safe, experienced NC VOAD partner. There are opportunities for everyone from novices to professionals. You may volunteer as an individual, a family, or a group. You may volunteer as a day worker or to stay at the worksite. Housing is provided. Meals and tools are often provided.

You may view the opportunities below by county or volunteer agency. Read the details for each worksite and contact the worksite coordinator to register or get more information

https://www.ncvoad.org/volunteer/
Hurricane Helene Opportunities now available! You don’t have to wait for a spot in western North Carolina. You can volunteer to work at other spots now.

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Hurricane Irene
August 31, 2011
FEMA-4019-DR-NC
North Carolina received a major disaster declaration for Hurricane Irene today that includes Individual Assistance for Beaufort, Carteret, Craven, Dare, Hyde, Pamlico, and Tyrrell Counties (7), and HMGP statewide.
Working with clients from Tropical Storm Nicole (fall 2010) and Spring Tornado event (April 2011), NC VOAD responds to Hurricane Irene. The twelve long term recovery groups established or energized following the tornadoes will provide a mentoring capability as new groups are established following Irene.

Happening Now

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August 27, 2011
NCVOAD Member Conference Calls
Begining August 28, 2011 NCVOAD will begin daily conference calls in response to Hurricane Irene.

August 26, 2011
Donations for all NC recovery efforts
North Carolina Interfaith Disaster Response, Inc will accept donations for all NC recovery efforts. Make checks payable to NCIDR, 2600 West Vernon Avenue, Kinston, NC 28504. NCIDR is a 501-C3 nonprofit organization.

FROM THE SITE:

Member Organizations

* Adventist Community Service/Disaster Response
* American Rainbow Rapid Response
* American Red Cross
* Billy Graham Evangelistic Association
* Church World Service
* Convoy of Hope
* Christian Reformed World Relief Disaster Response
* Contingency Planning Association of the Carolina's
* FEMA
* Food Bank of North Carolina
* Harvest Connection
* Hearts with Hands
* Lutheran/N.C. Synod ELCA
* Mennonite Disaster Service
* M.E.R.C.I. NCCUMC
* Moravian Church Disaster Response
* Mercy Medical Air Lift
* Nazarene Church Disaster Response
* N.C. Baptist Men
* North Carolina Interfaith Disaster Response (NCIDR)
* NC FOP DART
* Old North State Medical Society (ONSMS)
* Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
* Rotary International Dist. 7710
* Samaritan's Purse
* The Salvation Army
* United Church of Christ Southern Conference
* United Way of North Carolina
* Wake Interfaith Disaster Team
* Western N.C. Conference UMC

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George Strunk North Carolina Interfaith Disaster Response, Inc.

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Mike Patterson Salvation Army
Keith Stiles Billy Graham Rapid Response Team
Dianne Waddell Seventh Day Adventists

Services offered: Housing, Volunteer, Camping, Tents To House Volunteers; Housing, Volunteer Housing ($ NOT FREE); Housing, Volunteer Housing (FREE); Kitchen, Kitchen Privileges (For Volunteers); Long Term Recovery Support; Meals, Volunteers, Meals for Volunteers; Support for "All Local" Disasters; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; 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, Misc. * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Short Term Volunteer Opportunities; Volunteer, Volunteer Registry, Online
Campaigns: 2010 Hurricane Earl; 2011 Hurricane Irene/Tropical Storm Irene; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; 2016 Hurricane Matthew; 2018 HURRICANE FLORENCE; 2019 "HURRICANE DORIAN"; 2024 Hurricanes Milton/Helene; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Rainbow Rapid Response; American Red Cross; Baptist Men; Billy Graham Rapid Response Team; Convoy of Hope; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; Mennonite Disaster Service; Mercy Medical Airlift; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Rotary International; Salvation Army; Samaritan's Purse; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; 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
Updated Jan 26, 2025 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6233

ND

Lutheran Disaster Response / Lutheran Social Services, North Dakota

Volunteer Camp · Open

Faith–Based Disaster Recovery & Relief
1325 11th Street South, Fargo, ND 58103

Phone 1–800–950–2901
Web lrrnd.org/index.html
Serves Fargo, Cass County, ND
Eligibility Impacted by Disaster – Currently Responding to the '09 Red River Flooding
Service Permanent

6/8/09 website posted at:
http://lrrnd.org/index.html

*** Lutheran Disaster Response ND has an immediate need for volunteers and fencers across North Dakota

*** Home Estimators Needed for Recovery Efforts
If you have construction knowledge and would like help those impacted by the flooding in the state, this is an opportunity for you to serve!

*** Case Management Training for Recovery Efforts
If you would like help those impacted by the flooding in the state, this is an opportunity for you to serve!

Neighbor Helping Neighbor Flood Clean Up
FROM THE WEBSITE:

4/15/2009 – until need is met

Record level spring floods are predicted for several areas across North Dakota. High water will be the first half of the disaster. The second half will be the devastation left behind. Clean–up teams are needed from mid–April through May. Rebuild teams will be needed this summer and fall to restore communities and homes.

You can join the Neighbor Helping Neighbor Spring Flood Clean Up now by:

–Forming a team of volunteers at your church or work place
–Volunteering individually
–Providing financial assistance

Financial donations can be made payable to LSS/LDR and mailed to:
Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota
P.O. Box 389
Fargo, ND 58107

Work teams will be assigned to communities based on need & location. For information or to register your team contact:
Bonnie Turner, ND Director
Lutheran Disaster Response
800-950-2901 or 701-271-3288
bturner@lssnd.org.

http://www.lssnd.org/

Current Updates:
March 26, 2009

Currently, Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota is calling on congregations statewide to mobilize volunteer teams to prepare for deployment to the Red River Valley for clean-up and longer-term recovery work.

Following a significant natural disaster, Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota works in affected-areas over many months, sometimes years, to help Minnesotans in the immediate aftermath of a disaster and longer-term rebuilding recovery.

We provide case management services to help local residents navigate paperwork, access loans, make important decisions about their future and coordinate volunteer teams to rebuild homes over the long-term. Volunteers may be needed for this work in coming weeks.

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota also trains volunteer teams to offer Camp Noah, a week-long, faith-based day camp designed to help elementary-age children recover emotionally and spiritually after a flood disaster.

Congregations that are interested in assembling a Camp Noah team or volunteering for clean-up and rebuilding recovery efforts are encouraged to sign up with us above.

Individual contributions from the community are how Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota funds its disaster relief efforts. Donations can be received online or by mailing a check payable to Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota, 2485 Como Avenue, Saint Paul, MN 55108. Please designate the gift to Disaster Relief.

Thank you for all your gifts of support as we help our neighbors in the Red River Valley.

Lutheran Social Service trains volunteer teams

The following is a news release from Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota:

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SOURCE: http://www.edenprairienews.com/news/religion-news/lutheran-social-service-trains-volunteer-teams-103

What is Lutheran Disaster Response?

Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR) is collaborative ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. In North Dakota, the LDR affiliate is Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota (LSS).

The National Office of Lutheran Disaster Response operates through a network of forty different organizations such as LSS ND with which LDR has a memorandum of understanding.

LDR ND responds to disasters in North Dakota and when requested, nationally. Our focus also includes preparedness as a vital part of disaster response.

http://lrrnd.org/resource_directories/Select_reg_co.htm

Lutheran Disaster Response

Available by Region, the information format is resource name, description of services, the counties it serves, and the phone number.

Region 1 serves the counties of Divide, McKenzie, Williams
Region 2 serves the counties of Bottineau, Burke, McHenry, Mountrail, Pierce, Renville, Ward
Region 3 serves the counties of Benson, Cavalier, Eddy, Ramsey, Rolette, Towner
Region 4 serves the counties of Grand Forks, Nelson, Pembina, Walsh
Region 5 serves the counties of Cass, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, Steele, and Traill
Region 6 serves the counties of Barnes, Dickey, Foster, Griggs, LaMoure, Logan, McIntosh, Stutsman, Wells
Region 7 serves the counties of Burleigh, Emmons, Grant, Kidder, McLean, Mercer, Morton, Oliver, Sheridan, Sioux
Region 8 serves the counties of Adams, Billings, Bowman, Dunn, Golden Valley, Hettinger, Slope, Stark

Services offered: Cleanup, Mud–Out, Muck–Out, Flood Cleanup, Volunteer Services; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Counseling, Spiritual; Directories, Directory of Services, Statewide; Donations, Disaster Fund; Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Management, Volunteer Coordination Services; Services, Disaster Preparedness; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Disaster Ministry, Faith–Based; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Elder/Senior Volunteers (This facility accomodates Elder Volunteers); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers); Volunteer, Volunteer Registry, Online; Volunteer Work Orders/Projects (provided by this facility)
Campaigns: 2009 MidWest Floods; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; LDS ~ Lutheran Disaster Services; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Salvation Army; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; 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 Jun 10, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4164

VOAD, North Dakota – 2011 ND Floods

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD (State Level)
Various, ND
Service Temporary
Campaigns: 2011 North Dakota Flood; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); American Red Cross; AmeriCorps; Catholic Charities; Convoy of Hope; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency) State; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Hands On Disaster Response; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; LDS ~ Lutheran Disaster Services; NECHAMA (Jewish Response To Disaster); Salvation Army; Southern Baptist Disaster Relief; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Jun 29, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8704

NJ

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 –

President – Cathy McCann, Community FoodBank of NJ
Phone: 908/355–3663x226
Cell: 908/884–0769
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Cell: 973/885–4297
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Executive Committee (in addition to the above officers)

Holly Chmil, American Red Cross
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Lynn Askew, Lutheran Disaster Response
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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
South Jersey Baptist Association
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
Updated Sep 3, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8869

NY

Church World Service (CWS) – HQ

Info/Hotline · Open

Faith–Based Disaster Recovery & Relief
HQ: 475 Riverside Dr., Suite 700, New York, NY 10115
Phone 212–870–2061 / 800–297–1516
Web www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer?pagename=homepage
Service Temporary

From the NYVOAD Member Directory:

Disaster Program

The Church World Service (CWS) Emergency Response Program assists disaster survivors through support of local faith–based partner organizations. CWS achieves this mission by helping the faith community play its special role in disaster mitigation, preparedness, and response in the United States and around the world. One aspect of this mission is enabling its 36 member communions to collaborate in disaster preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery. CWS encourages religious organizations to coordinate with others in the faith community so that when disaster strikes, those affected will receive efficiently the most effective assistance.

CWS trains and equips faith–based partners to mobilize resources for survivors of natural and human–caused disasters, as requested, through:

• community organizing for disaster recovery
• seed grants for developing recovery organizations
• pastoral care to support survivors and care–givers in the recovery process
• material resources such as blankets, clothing, basic health care supplies, school supplies, and household supplies

CWS Disaster Response & Recovery Liaisons work year–round in planning for and mitigating against disaster impact as well as in response and recovery. This year–round responsibility is carried out in liaison with the inter–religious community, the American Red Cross, State and Federal Emergency Management Agencies and VOAD's.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, International Policy; Demographic Served: Hungry; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Demographic Served: Vulnerable & Marginalized Populations; First Responder, Worldwide; Information Resource, Online Networking, Facebook Page/Group; Information Resource, Online Networking, MySpace; Information Resource, Online Networking, Twitter Page/Twitter Feeds; Information Resource, Online Networking, YouTube; * KITS, BABY SUPPLY KITS, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, CLEANING/CLEAN UP KITS; * KITS, HYGIENE KITS; * KITS, SCHOOL BAG KITS, NEW Items ONLY; Long Term Recovery Support; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Immigration, Refugee Resettlement (See also "Assistance"); Support for "All" Disasters; Training, Disaster Recovery, Long Term Recovery Webinars; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2010 Haiti Earthquake; 2010 Hurricane Earl; 2010 Pakistan Floods; 2011 Hurricane Irene/ Tropical Storm Irene; 2011 Japan Earthquake/Tsunami/Nuclear Disasters; 2012 Hurricane Sandy; 2020/2021 Pandemic, Coronavirus/COVID–19; 2020 Hurricane Laura; 2020 Hurricane Sally; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CWS ~ Church World Service; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Jan 7, 2013 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6234

New York Disaster Interfaith Services (NYDIS – NYVOAD Member)

Info/Hotline · Open

Faith–Based Disaster Recovery
22 Cortlandt St., 20th Floor, New York, NY 10007
Phone 212–669–6100
Web www.nydis.org
Hours Mon – Fri, 9:00–5:00
Service Permanent

SOURCE: http://www.nydis.org/resources/headlines/2007_09_24.php

NYDIS MANUAL FOR NEW YORK CITY RELIGIOUS LEADERS:
Spiritual Care and Mental Health for Disaster Response and Recovery
THE REVEREND STEPHEN HARDING, BCC, STM, EDITOR

This manual was developed by New York Disaster Interfaith Services to help you do several things as individual leaders of houses of worship:

* Prepare yourself and the members of your worshiping community by developing a disaster plan in advance;
* Help you identify the phases of disaster so that you know where you are as things are going on around you;
* Provide you with information about preparation and your role as religious leaders in all phases of disaster;

* Provide you with information and resources that you can call on and use if you need them; and
* Help you to start thinking about what you would do if a disaster happened to your own house of worship or in your community.

The contributors to this manual all have experience in responding to disasters. Some worked as part of the recovery effort for the World Trade Center and/or other disasters; others have extensive experience in working with relief organizations; still others are therapists; others teach; and all write from the experience of 'having been there.' These chapters are the things they have done and that have worked for them.

From the NYVOAD Member Directory:

Organization Structure

NYDIS is a faith–based federation of service providers and charitable organizations who work together to provide disaster services. Our mission is to develop and lead faith–based disaster readiness, response, and recovery services for New York.

Disaster Program

In preparedness for and in response to disasters, NYDIS provides coordinative services and training to faith communities and their agencies, clergy, houses of worship and leadership. Through its network of local, state, and national agencies involved in disaster management, NYDIS helps to facilitate the delivery of disaster response, relief and recovery services, resources, and information to religious communities and underserved individuals, populations and impacted communities. We carry out our mission through three principal program areas:

• Disaster Recovery: Supports member organizations in providing cash assistance, direct victim services, training and support of case workers, clergy and caregivers; includes Unmet Needs Roundtable services

• Mitigation Education and Preparedness Education: Trains faith–based communities, including houses of worship, lay, clergy and religious leaders, as well as their partner agencies and neighborhoods

• Disaster Advocacy: Works on behalf of disaster victims, particularly vulnerable and under–served individuals, populations, and impacted communities.

Services offered: Advocacy, Disaster Survivors; Disaster Relief System Development Guidance; Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC), Case Management Roundtable Meetings; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Services, Disaster Response, Recovery, Preparedness & Mitigation; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Disaster Ministry, Faith–Based; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Disaster Relief/Recovery, Online; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Emergency Response; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Elder/Senior Volunteers (This facility accomodates Elder Volunteers); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteers, Individual Volunteers (This facility accomodates Individuals Volunteers)
Campaigns: American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CWS ~ Church World Service; Salvation Army; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Sep 4, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1373

Church World Service, Hurricane Sandy Response (DONATIONS AVAILABLE)

Info/Hotline · Open

Headquarters:; Church World Service; P.O. Box 968; Elkhart, IN 46515, NY

Web www.churchworldservice.org
Service Temporary

11/3/12: From Website
Website address specific to Hurricane Sandy
https://secure2.convio.net/cws/site/SPageServer?pagename=hurricane_sandy&JServSessionIdr004=x0f1ta1rm1.app245b

per NVOAD notes: Church World Service has supplies available: blankets, school kits, baby layette, clean up buckets, and hygiene kits. CWS also works in the long term recovery phase by helping with trainings and possible small seed grants for LTRGs.

Services offered: Grants * (ANY/ALL Types of Financial Grants); Grants, Disaster Rebuilding; * KITS, CLEANING/CLEAN UP KITS; * KITS, HYGIENE KITS; * KITS, LAYETTE KITS, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, SCHOOL BAG KITS, NEW Items ONLY; Linens, Bedding, Blankets * (ANY/ALL Types); Long Term Recovery Support
Campaigns: 2012 Hurricane Sandy; CWS ~ Church World Service
Updated Nov 14, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9464

VOAD, New York State (STATE LEVEL)

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
NY

Web www.nyvoad.org
Serves New York
Service Temporary

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.

Susamma Seeley – Chair
Catholic Charities of Brooklyn and Queens

Seth Golbey – Vice Chair
American Red Cross of Greater New York

Susan Craine – Secretary
New York Cares

Tim Pitoniak – Treasurer
American Red Cross of Greater New York

Services offered: Information Resource, Situation Reports & Status Reports; Support for "All Local" Disasters; Training Classes, Disaster * (Any & All Types)
Campaigns: 2010 Hurricane Earl; 2011 Hurricane Irene/Tropical Storm Irene; 2012 Hurricane Sandy; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; All Hands Volunteers; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CWS ~ Church World Service; Feeding America; 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; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Salvation Army; Save The Children; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; United Methodist Church; 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 Oct 27, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6262

OK

VOAD (VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVE IN DISASTER), State of OKLAHOMA

Info/Hotline · Open

c/o Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management; PO Box 53365, Oklahoma City, OK 73152
Phone 405–521–2481
Web www.okvoad.org
Serves Oklahoma, State of
Service Temporary

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
Updated Aug 9, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9251

Pakistan

Church World Service (CWS) – 2010 Pakistan Floods

Info/Hotline · Open

Faith Based Disaster Relief/Recovery
New York HQ: 475 Riverside Dr., Suite 700,; New York, NY 10115; PAKISTAN, Various – See Area Served
Phone 800.297.1516 / Phone: 212–870–2061 Fax: 212–870–3523
Web www.churchworldservice.org
Serves Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Mansehra, Kohistan, Swat and Balakot.
Service Temporary

FROM THE INTERACTION SITE:

Initial CWS efforts have included providing 250 food and shelter kits in Sibbi. Based on assessments conducted by its staff and local partners, CWS plans to provide emergency assistance to 70,000 people – food assistance to 35,000 people, emergency shelter supplies to meet the needs of 17,500 people, and mobile clinic health access for 17,500 people, as follows. By category, this includes food distribution in Swat (14,000 persons); DI Khan (7,000); Sibbi (7,000); Kohistan (7,000). Non–food items, shelter kits and plastic sheets in Sibbi (10,500) and DI Khan (7,000). Mobile health unit access in Mansehra (10,500); and Swat (7,000).

CWS situation report: Pakistan flooding
Friday, July 30, 2010

Since July 21, widespread and unusually heavy monsoon rains have hit most parts of Pakistan; further torrential rain is forecast over the coming days. Among the areas affected are Punjab province and Khyber Pakhtoonkhwa, formerly known as the North West Frontier Province. CWS is distributing food packages and shelter material (plastic sheets) for flood affected families of in Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. CWS has also put into action a mobile health unit to provide emergency health assistance in Mansehra. More mobile health units will soon cover areas such as Kohistan, Swat and Balakot.

Updated July 31, 2010
Situation

Since July 21, widespread and unusually heavy monsoon rains have hit most parts of Pakistan, affecting all four provinces. Further torrential rain is forecast over the coming days. Among the areas affected are Punjab province and Khyber Pakhtoonkhwa, formerly known as the North West Frontier Province.

More than 1500 people have lost their lives; many more are stranded and exposed to disease and extreme lack of food. Thousands have been displaced. Other impacts include the loss of livestock and damage to agricultural crops and fields.

It is estimated that more than a million people have been affected thus far; the total estimated damages and affected population are yet to be determined due to inaccessibility caused by rising flood waters and disruption to communication networks.

Immediate needs include food, water, tents and other non–food items.
CWS response

CWS is distributing food packages and shelter material (plastic sheets) for flood affected families of in Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. CWS has also put into action a mobile health unit to provide emergency health assistance in Mansehra. More mobile health units will soon cover areas such as Kohistan, Swat and Balakot.

Church World Service and other members of the ACT Pakistan Forum are coordinating their responses and undertaking further assessments with local partners. CWS made an internal assessment of available supplies for immediate relief and its emergency response team and has begun deployment.
How to help

Contributions to support the emergency response work of Church World Service may be made online or by phone (800.297.1516), or may be sent to your denomination or to Church World Service, P.O. Box 968, Elkhart, IN 46515.

ACT Alliance Church World Service is a member of the ACT Alliance, a global coalition of churches and agencies engaged in development, humanitarian assistance and advocacy.

Services offered: Demographic Served: Armed Conflict Populations; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Demographic Served: Vulnerable & Marginalized Populations; Donations, Disaster Fund; Food Distribution, Emergency/Disaster Food Distribution; * KITS, FOOD KITS; * KITS, SHELTER KITS; Medical, Services, Emergency Medical Services; Medical, Services, Mobile Medical Unit/Clinic; Services, Disaster Relief; Shelter, Supplies * (ANY/ ALL Types); Shelter, Supplies, Plastic Sheeting
Campaigns: 2010 Pakistan Floods; 2010 Pakistan – Humanitarian Support for Armed Conflict; ACT Alliance (Global Coalition of Churches); CWS ~ Church World Service; InterAction; UMCOR Relief Network
Updated Sep 27, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6090

Cluster, Health – 2010 Pakistan Floods

Info/Hotline · Open

United Nations/WHO
Web www.whopak.org/idps/index.asp
Service Temporary

U.N. Lead Agency: WHO

Pakistan Governement: Ministry of Health

Needs list dated 8/19/10 from One Response:

http://www.pakresponse.info/index.php?id=27

Services offered: Directories, Cluster/EMA Contacts; Information Resource, Situation Reports & Status Reports
Campaigns: 2010 Pakistan Floods; 2010 Pakistan – Humanitarian Support for Armed Conflict; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; American Refugee Committee; CARE–International; CWS ~ Church World Service; Disaster Response Network; Handicap International; International Medical Corps (IMC); Islamic Relief; Mercy Corps; Merlin (Medical Emergency Relief International); Muslim Aid; Relief International; Save The Children; United Nations – IOM (Internal Office of Migration); United Nations – U.N.; United Nations – UNICEF (United Nations International Childrens Emergency Fund); United Nations – WHO (World Health Organization); World Vision
Updated Sep 28, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6175

TN

Cumberland Presbyterian Church

Volunteer Camp · Standby

Faith–Based Disaster Recovery Services
(See note for local addresses of volunteer sites); 8207 Traditional Place, Cordova (Memphis), TN 38016
Phone (901) 276–4572
Web www.cumberland.org/center
Service Temporary

CP Church Responds to Flood Relief
The Missions Ministry Team, on behalf of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, has begun sending relief aid to assist the flood victims in Tennessee. The funds have been distributed through local CP churches and relief agencies responding to emergency needs and relief efforts in the Nashville and West TN. areas. Additional contributions for relief aid may be sent to Missions Ministry Team, 8207 Traditional Place, Cordova, TN 38016–7414 (designate: "Flood Relief").

VOLUNTEER –
Work teams are needed for flood cleanup and rebuilding. Go to the following link for more information.

http://www.cumberland.org/bom/service/service.htm

(Included – full of contact information for many different service opportunities within the U.S. and outside the States.)

WORK TEAMS NEEDED FOR FLOOD CLEAN UP/REBUILDING

Most of you have heard of the devastation caused by the recent floods in West Tennessee. One area hit the hardest was the south side of Dyersburg. An estimated 600 homes and businesses were damaged to some degree. The majority of these homes were occupied by people who lived at or below the poverty level. They had little or no insurance against flood damage. FEMA will give some help, but not near enough to enable them to rebuild. They will need help from volunteers. Melvin Orr and Eugene Leslie are going to assemble work teams to help.

The first team will be May 23 – 28, to help in the deconstruction process. We will do basic clean–up, tear out drywall, remove flooring, etc. We will be staying in the Dyersburg United Methodist Church who have opened their facilities to house these work teams. We will gather at the Methodist Church, 100 Mcgaughey Street, at 8:00 p.m. on Sunday night May 23, for orientation and work assignments. We will start to work Monday morning and will leave Friday. We would like to invite any who have the time and concern to join us May 23 to help. It is a short notice but the deconstruction needs to be done as soon as possible. Let Eugene Leslie or Melvin Orr know if you can participate so that meals can be arranged at the Methodist Church. Volunteers are asked to bring $50.00 to cover the cost of the meals.

The second team will be June 27 – July 2. That team will help in the rebuilding of homes.

Contact: Eugene Leslie, eleslie1@ bellsouth.net, Phone 731–783–3300, cell– 731–613–0425 OR Melvin Orr, morrn@ bellsouth.net, Phone 731–287–0310, cell – 731–676–1701

http://www.cumberland.org/center/wishlist.htm

Wish List
Denominational leaders are compiling a wish list and inviting congregations, women's ministries, men's fellowships and individuals to adopt a project. Check often to see a list of needs at your denominational headquarters. Call 901.276.4572 and ask for the contact person listed.

Current needs:
1.Counter–top microwave oven. Energy efficient. Heavy–duty. Contact Abbay Milnor.
2.Pro Bono annual lawn maintenance contract. Contact Robert Rush.
3.Maple trees (2) to replace those destroyed in last year's tornado. Contact Robert Rush.
4.Gift cards from Lowe's and/or Home Depot to purchase of hardware and supplies for intermittent repairs and/or seasonal plants for the Denominational Center. Contact Robert Rush.

Services offered: Cleanup, House Gutting, Volunteer Services; Cleanup, Mud–Out, Muck–Out, Flood Cleanup, Volunteer Services; Construction, Deconstruction Services; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services; Donations, Disaster Fund; Housing, Volunteer Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Meals, Volunteers, Meals for Volunteers; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteers, Groups of Volunteers (This facility accomodates Groups of Volunteers); Volunteer Work Orders/ Projects (provided by this facility)
Campaigns: 2010 US Severe Storms and Flooding; CWS ~ Church World Service
Updated May 8, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/5886

VOAD – Tennessee

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
SEE NOTES, TN
Web www.tnvoad.org
Serves State of TN

Service Temporary

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Tennessee Association of Rescue Squads
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Tennessee Manufactured Housing Foundation
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Tennessee State Guard
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Memphis, Tennessee 38103
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No updates on the website since 11/08

Services offered: Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 2009 SouthEast Floods, September; 2009 Tornadoes; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; America's Second Harvest; Catholic Charities; Church of Christ Disaster Relief Effort; CWS ~ Church World Service; Episcopal Diocese; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Hands On Network; Lutheran Disaster Response; Salvation Army; VOAD – Voluntary

Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Jun 13, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2873

TX

Church World Service, TEXAS

Info/Hotline · Open

6633 Highway 290 E, Suite 200, Austin, TX 78723
Web www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer
Service Temporary

These folks are right on it:

http://www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer?pagename=news_media_emergencies

Note that they have instructions for community groups to prepare kits for their warehouse:

http://www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer?pagename=kits_main

Scroll down to see instructions for assembling school kits, etc.

Main Offices not in Texas. But here are the contacts for Texas:

Serving Texas and Louisiana.
Central Office

Phone: 512–451–2062
Toll–Free: 1–888–CWS–CROP (1–888–297–2767)
Fax: 512–451–2904

Regional Director:
Howard Hartman – hhartman @ churchworldservice . org

Program Assistant:
Kevin Murphy – kmurphy @ churchworldservice . org

See main record at: https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4295

Services offered: Donations * (ANY/ALL Types); First Response Supplies/Items * (ANY/ALL Types); * KITS, BABY SUPPLY KITS, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, BEDDING KITS, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, BEDDING KITS, NEW or Gently Used Items; * KITS, CLEANING/CLEAN UP KITS; * KITS, COMFORT/EMERGENCY KITS; * KITS, HURRICANE SURVIVAL KITS (For Disabled/Handicapped); * KITS, HYGIENE KITS; * KITS, LAYETTE KITS, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, SCHOOL BAG KITS, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, TOILETRY/COMFORT KIT, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, TOILETRY KIT w/Towel
Campaigns: CWS ~ Church World Service; 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)
Updated Sep 5, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8882

VOAD – CTX (Central Texas)

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
Various, TX
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Service Temporary

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Central Texas VOAD Member Organizations

Advocacy, Inc.
American Red Cross
AAIM (Austin Area Interreligious Ministries)
Austin Disaster Relief Network
Austin Free-Net
Capital Area Council of Governments
Capital Area Food Bank of Texas
Caritas of Austin
Catholic Charities of Central Texas
CERT – Austin
CERT – Bastrop County
Church of Scientology
Church World Service
City of Austin, Office of Emergency Management
City of Lakeway
Civil Air Patrol, Grp. III, Texas Wing
Community Action Network
Coordinated Assistance Network (CAN)
Dept. State Health Services (DSHS)
Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA), Southwestern Synod
Foundation for the Homeless
Helping the Aging, Needy, and Disabled
Indigent Care Collaboration
Jewish Community Association of Austin
Lower Colorado River Authority
Lutheran Social Services, Disaster Response
Mennonite Church
OneStar Foundation
Paws of Austin
Pets America
Refugee Services of Texas
Safe Place
Salvation Army
Shepherd of the Hills Presbyterian Church
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Southern Baptist Convention
St James Episcopal Church
Texas A&M University Center on Disability & Development
Texas Appleseed
Texas Baptist Men Region 21 Disaster Relief Team
Texas Conference of Churches
Texas Department of MHMR
Texas Department of Public Safety, DOEM
Texas Dept State Health Services – Community Preparedness
Texas Federation of Animal Care Services (TFACS)
Texas RioGrande Legal Aide
Travis County Amateur Radio Emer. Serv.
Travis County Health & Human Services
Travis County OEM
Travis County REACTS
Travis County Sheriff's Office
United Methodist Committee on Relief
United Way – Capital Area – 211
United Way Capital Area
United Way Capital Area – Hands on Central Texas
USHeroes
Volunteer Mobile Emergency Response Unit
WIN (Wimberly LTRC)

Minutes from Dec 2010 meeting: http://www.centraltexasvoad.org/minutes/CTXVOADMinutesDec2010.doc

Services offered: Services, Disaster Response, Recovery, Preparedness & Mitigation; Shelter, Red Cross Shelter Updates; Shelter, Updates, Locations; Support for "All Local" Disasters
Campaigns: 2011 Texas Wildfires; Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CAN (Coordinated Assistance Network.); Catholic Charities; CERT (Community Emergency Response Team);

CWS ~ Church World Service; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; Texas Baptist Men Disaster Relief; UMCOR Relief Network; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Sep 18, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1719

LTRC, Citizens Organization for Rita Relief (CORR)

Info/Hotline · Open

Disaster Recovery
Jasper & Newton Counties, TX
Phone 409–379–4663 / (409) 379–3590
Serves Jasper & Newton Counties, Tx
Service Temporary

Jasper/Newton aid group formed

November 28, 2005

Citizens Organized for Rita Relief (CORR) held their second organizational meeting November 22, 2005 in the conference room of Believers New Life Ministries International in Bleakwood. This group of local pastors, non–profit organizations, public officials and school administrators has formed to coordinate a united and dedicated coalition to provide a central point of intake and referral for people who suffered damage as a result of Hurricane Rita. CORR will provide focus and generate support of local agencies to provide housing, health care, and other services necessary to recover from the devastating aftermath of Hurricane Rita.

CORR has established an intake center at 107 Court Street in downtown Newton. People who have needs that will not be covered by insurance or FEMA should call (409) 379–4663 or come by the office of Self Help Housing of East Texas to apply for assistance. They will open a second office in Kirbyville in the near future for Jasper residents.

CORR will solicit funds and support from private foundations, corporate donors, and private individuals, to support the efforts of the Mennonite volunteers and other groups who will help repair and rebuild damaged homes. They will also make referrals to East Texas Health Access Network for medical care.

CORR will address the UNMET needs of citizens of Newton and Jasper County. If you have resources available to meet your needs, please do not apply.

The Board of Directors of CORR consists of: Associate Pastor Alton Scott, Rev. Ted Williams, Lee Holbert, Rev. L.D. Matthews, Rev. Joe Miller, Linda Dickerson, Commissioner Willie Stark, and Superintendent Gene Isabell.

For more information contact Kim at 379–4663

ARTICLE FROM The Jasper Newsboy dated 3/8/06:

'This recovery is our business'
CORR helping area fill needs unmet by federal, state funds
By JIMMY GALVAN Managing Editor

On Sept. 23, 2005, Hurricane Rita cut a path through Jasper and Newton counties.

Almost immediately, a need to organize aid was recognized for the victims of the "forgotten hurricane."

Citizens Organized for Rita Restoration (CORR) stepped up to fill that need.

CORR is a faith–based, non–profit organization that is trying to facilitate recovery efforts in the two counties.

"Our goal is to partner with anybody and everybody," said CORR Executive Director Lee Holbert. "We want to make sure no one falls through the cracks."

Holbert said the group gains a number of intakes weekly and tracks any money the applicants receive, either from insurance or federal aid.

"We document if there are needs that are unmet from outside sources," Holbert said. "We try to find a way to fulfill and meet those needs."

CORR operates to assist the elderly, disabled, underprivileged, poor and the victims of discrimination and alienation. CORR exists to assist those who are unable to help themselves recover f rom the devastation of Hurricane Rita.

Holbert said after the storm hit he waited for organization of relief efforts but it became apparent that the federal aid was not going to meet the area's needs.

" We got involved with Church World Services and they told us to form a longterm recovery committee," Holbert said.

To accomplish these purposes, CORR acts as an u m b rella board, providing coordination, networking, guidance and leadership to local non–profits, governmental units, disaster relief organization, and individuals working to maximize the use of scarce resources in the recovery.

" We just knew a lot of people were hurting and needed a lot of help here , " Holbert said.

So far, CORR has completed work in Newton County and has yet to start any projects in Jasper County.

Originally, CORR received manpower donation from the Mennonite Church out of Arkansas .

"They stayed at the Baptist Encampment in Newton and provided all of the labor for projects in Newton," Holbert said. "Right now, we don't have any resources in Jasper County."

Holbert explained that Newton County used its unmet needs allocation money from the state to purchase materials for CORR projects.

" We didn't have either of those re s o u rces in Jasper County," Holbert said. "We have active cases in Jasper but we don't have any resources in Jasper County."

One change for the county comes in the form of $2.5 million grant from the people of Saudi Arabia that will be administered by the Deep East Texas Council of Governments.

" We now will have money for materials but no labor," Holbert said. "We have many connections with labor and volunteers so we should be able to funnel some of these groups in Jasper and Newton to begin these pro j e c t s . "

Holbert said CORR would like to see human resources donations made to their cause.

"I would to see churc h e s and the Lions Clubs, the chambers organize work groups to help out," Holbert said. "There are a lot of people in Jasper County whose lives are back to normal, the hurricane is over for them.

"But a lot of their neighbors still have leaky ro o f s and are still putting buckets out when it rains," Holbert said.

Holbert said the majority of the volunteer work done on projects has come fro m outside sourc e s .

" We are a community that should serve each other," Holbert said. "God calls on us to love one another and serve our brothers and sisters."

Holbert said the first hurdle of emergency relief has been completed for these two counties.

" However, there are many people who do not have the resources to re c o ver from the damage that has been done," Holbert said. "Many people were alre a d y below or barely above the poverty level prior to Rita's landfall, and their primary residences have been completely destroyed or rend e red uninhabitable. People who have exhausted all other help and means such as private insurance, governmental state and federal programs, and personal savings will be able to apply for help from CORR."

CORR will coordinate the case work and subsequent determination of needs and the allocation of material and human re s o u rces to accomplish the rebuilding of human dwellings and lives.

Anyone needing aid can contact CORR at (409) 3793590.

Tax free donations can be made out to CORR and sent to CORR's office in Newton. Holbert said an office in the Kirbyville area is in the process of being opened.

"This recovery is our business," Holbert said. "We can't rely on people fro m outside to come in and fix us. I hope that people have learned that the government can't do everything and that they shouldn't look to the government for everything.

"When there is a need, we turn to our neighbor for help," Holbert said. "We have seen the government doesn't do a very good job at helping us in a time a crisis. We have to take care of our own and we are well able to do that."

Services offered: Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Case Management, Disabled/Handicapped; Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, Seniors/Elders; Construction, Rebuilding, Volunteer Services
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Rita; CWS ~ Church World Service; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Mennonite Disaster Service
Updated Sep 28, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/617

VA

IAEM (International Association of Emergency Managers)

Info/Hotline · Open

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Checks payable to	IAEM Scholarship Program

The International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) is a non–profit educational organization dedicated to promoting the goals of saving lives and protecting property during emergencies and disasters.

IAEM Membership is for professionals who...

(1) Are in the field of emergency management (mitigation, preparedness, response, and/or recovery).
(2) Are interested in protecting lives and property through an all–hazards approach.
(3) Are concerned with national security.
(4) Have an emergency management/ civil defense assignment in government, the military, and industry or volunteer organization.
(5) Want up–to–date information and guidance to help fulfill your emergency management role.

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Services offered: Facility: Job Center; Scholarships; Training Classes, Disaster * (Any & All Types)
Campaigns: American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CWS ~ Church World Service; Humane Society of the United States, The
Updated Aug 31, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2196

WA

Washington Interfaith Disaster Recovery Organization

Info/Hotline · Open

Faith–based Disaster Relief/Recovery
P.O. Box 15207, Seattle, WA 98115

Phone 360–710–7248 –WIDRO Director
Web widro.org/index.htm
Serves Washington State
Service Permanent

Washington Interfaith Disaster Recovery Organization (WIDRO) is a network of faith–based groups committed to collaboratively maximizing the deployment of our respective resources when responding to Washington State disasters.

WIDRO provides an essential and primary link for communicating key information and guidance among faith–based groups/ individuals/communities following a disaster event. WIDRO also engages in disaster related education, preparation and mitigation efforts between disaster events.

WIDRO maintains a network of people and organizations from faith based and secular organizations willing to share information, experiences, resources and strategies.

During an active disaster event and recovery activities, WIDRO will contact network partners providing services within impacted area and assess their potential capacity to respond.

This link will give you a good description & information of each member group:
http://widro.org/links.htm

SERVICES PROVIDED DURING ACTIVE DISASTER RECOVERY ACTIVITIES:

1. Contact network partners within impacted areas to assess their potential capacity to respond.

2. Establish contact with other local faith organizations and community agencies within impacted areas when a network partner is not available.

3. Develop resources to enable local WIDRO partners, faith organizations and community agencies to establish, manage and maintain manage an interfaith/LTRO program where appropriate.

4. Coordinate activities with WAVOAD and provide financial resources when available and appropriate to respond to unmet needs documented by the WAVOAD Unmet Needs Committee.

5. Serve as a liaison between LTROs and national denominations/faith–based groups and other interested national organizations.

6. Serve as a reliable source of disaster response and recovery information and expertise.

7. Serve as a communication link among active response and recovery groups.

Services offered: Documentation, Disaster Preparedness Guidance, Individual/Family; Fundraiser, Volunteer; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, County Resources, Contacts & Services (County Level); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Support for "All" Disasters; Training Classes, Disaster Mitigation; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness

Campaigns: American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities Community Services; CWS ~ Church World Service; Episcopal Diocese; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; LDS ~ Lutheran Disaster Services; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; UMCOR Relief Network; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
Updated Dec 21, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2687

Worldwide

UMCOR NGO

Info/Hotline · Open

UMCOR
New York, New York
Web new.gbgm–umc.org/umcor/work/fieldoffices
Service Temporary

When there is a need to establish a long–term presence overseas, UMCOR does that through its non–governmental organization which sets up field offices. They provide a center for establishing emergency response as well as long–term relief and transitional development to assist entire communities in the wake of natural and civil disasters.

UMCOR's NGO unit provides humanitarian relief and transitional development through established UMCOR offices overseas. Currently, there are 11 field offices established in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, and Europe that use integrated programs help communities ravaged by natural and human made disasters develop their means, opportunities, and inherent capacities to overcome challenges.

Who We Are
UMCOR's NGO unit was formed in 1993 as a not–for–profit, non–governmental organization that provides transitional development and relief assistance to communities in need around the world. Throughout its lifetime, the organization has supported projects in 18 countries either directly or through local partners using private and public funds. UMCOR NGO currently operates field offices in 11 countries.

UMCOR NGO is a signatory to the "Code of Conduct in Disaster Relief" and upholds the SPHERE Minimum Standards in Disaster Response.

Mission
Responding to natural or human caused disasters, UMCOR's mission is to alleviate human suffering with open minds to all religions and open hearts to all people. UMCOR is a humanitarian, non–proselytizing agency of The United Methodist Church. The NGO unit within UMCOR has been established to provide a professional and highly skilled humanitarian response to crises.

UMCOR NGO provides transitional development and relief assistance internationally by working collaboratively with local communities to assist them in building peace, restoring social stability, revitalizing community structures, and empowering their members to retake control of their lives.

Services offered: Jobs, Paying; Volunteer Opportunities, International
Campaigns: CWS ~ Church World Service; UMCOR Relief Network
Updated Sep 20, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1204

Raise Your Hand and Open Your Heart Foundation

Info/Hotline · Open

Web www.raiseyourhand.org.za
Service Temporary

HOW YOU CAN HELP >> + REGISTER + Donate to a cause + Donate to a region + List a new charity/need + Donate Goods + Volunteer + Volunteer Talent

CAUSES –
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» ANIMAL » HEALTH & DISEASE » EDUCATION » POVERTY
» HUNGER » DISABILITY » DISASTER RELIEF » PEACE & PEOPLE

Once long ago, we all were children, simple, loving and caring. We chose to care about our world, our families and everyone around us. Somewhere along the way, we became mad; we lost our way as humanity. We began destroying and consuming our world and our hearts. We chose events and things as more important – than each others lives. The Raise Your Hand and Open Your Heart Foundation chooses to change that, to get people to help one another, no matter the crisis, the problem, or the effort. A world united for ONE single common goal. HOPE. HOPE for each other, for our children, for our animals and for our environment.

You can be a part of this organization, by registering through the website, donating cash, time, your talents, volunteer or participate directly with the charities, people and organizations listed there. You can load new charities and even load your own problems. This way, we intend helping each other, as ONE family. Participate today by searching and navigating through the

various regions and causes and taking a few hours each day to help heal the world through the website by using your talents, things and time. Thank You for being a part of the change.

http://www.raiseyourhand.org.za/default.asp?id=1

REGIONS

Asia
Europe
The Middle East
North America
Oceania
South America

HOW ARE WE KEPT ACCOUNTABLE?

The donor is notified, thanked and praised for making a donation, immediately upon payment. They are also automatically provided with a tax certificate. They remain anonymous on the system, but are progressed to the regional list of real donors.

They are explained that their funds are kept in trust, either for direct release for urgent need, or until a project comes up that is needed for and will NOT be used for anything else.

Once the payment is, the donor is informed that the payment is made to the charity, or cause. With a proof of payment attached in the system and a track able reference to verify that this has been done.

100% of the donation will be done, unless under extreme circumstance a charge or fee is incurred. In this instance, they will also be provided with proof of these charges.

Now, most organizations end here, but where Raise Your Hand will be different is that we will not only 'pay' the 100% donation over to the organization, we will require them to provide us with faxes or scanned emails of the use of this money and exactly what every cent is used for.

They will only receive an immediate 20% of the donation and until they prove that they can provide the proof that it is used what it is used for, we will not release the money.

If it is an ambassador or representative of the charity, and the entire donation is needed now, they will immediately be paid over, once they provide letters from where they will be purchasing goods, or provide direct invoices for us to pay on their behalf.

Let us say, as an example, The Red Cross needs $850000 (yes, they asked me for this), for fuel and the means to get aid across Pakistan. Now, what would be best is to find a Shell Petrol Depot there and pay them directly, with this proof of invoice and payment, our donors will feel that their money has gone to the right place.

If, we can, we will also provide them with photos of the delivery of their aid.

All of this allows our donors to know their money goes to the correct place at any given time, with proof and contactable verification of delivery of the aid money.

Services offered: Demographic Served: Animals; Demographic Served: Children; Demographic Served: Disabled, Persons With Disabilities; Demographic Served: Hungry; Demographic Served: Seniors / Elderly; Donations, Disaster Fund; Fundraising Tools, for Non Profit Orgs; Information Resource, Online Networking, Facebook Page/Group
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; American Jewish World Services; American Refugee Committee; AmeriCares; Boy Scouts of America; CAN–DO; CWS ~ Church World Service; International Medical Corps (IMC); Mercy Corps; MSF (Médecins Sans Frontières) – Doctors Without Borders; OXFAM; Project Hope; Rotary International; UMCOR Relief Network; United Nations – U.N.; United Nations – UNICEF (United Nations International Childrens Emergency Fund); World Relief; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services; World Vision
Updated Dec 29, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7394

Other locations

Church World Services, Main US Site (and DR Tool/Resource Guide)

Info/Hotline · Open

Church – Disaster Relief
Web www.cwserp.org
Service Temporary

CWS situation report: Spring storms 2011 – updated April 21, 2011

CWS response:

CWS Disaster Response Specialists are working with state, regional and local VOADs (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster), FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency), our member denominations and other agencies to determine where CWS denominations are helping or are needed. CWS will provide material resources, including blankets, hygiene kits and clean–up buckets, as requested. CWS also will assist communities in developing Long Term Recovery plans, as requested.

HOW TO HELP: Contributions to support CWS emergency response efforts may be made online, sent to your denomination, or to Church World Service, P.O. Box 968, Elkhart, IN 46515.

See the website for a variety of Disaster Relief/Recovery tools/resources, as well as a log in for their supply "sharing" database, which requires a special password...you must apply (and potentially pay) for membership to get access to these supplies.

From GA VOAD site:

Church World Service
14940 SW 153 Street
Miami Florida 33187
Emergency Response Program: www.cwserp.org

Church World Service Homepage:
www.churchworldservice.org
Re–directed to 2012 HURRICANE SANDY –
http://www.churchworldservice.org/site/PageServer

Contact Information:

NOTE: 6/2011 TF: I wrote to Lesli on her new email address for FEMA. To see who the new contact is for CWS Georgia.

Church World Service (CWS) assists those affected by disaster through spiritual, physical, and psychological care by empowering local, regional, and state religious leadership to collaborate in building or restoring a sense of recovered community.

CWS may send material resources to disaster sites as the need is determined and direct requests are received and DRRL staff responds to disasters throughout the United States on behalf of its 36 member communions and affiliated agencies.

CWS works with and through cooperative faith–based state and local partners and disaster response organizations. Disaster Response and Recovery Liaisons facilitate the work of community partners by serving as organizers, consultants, technical advisors, and links to outside resources.

Disaster Resources:

• DRRL who work with FEMA, American Red Cross, and other voluntary agencies in the development of long term recovery programs
• Blankets, personal care kits, and other material resources as requested by faith–based organizations for distribution by themselves and other disaster response agencies
• Access to specialized volunteers from outside the community for such tasks as spiritual care, volunteer coordination, home rehabilitation and repair, childcare, casework, and organizational capacity building
• Connections to local congregations and denominational middle level governing bodies for spiritual care services, volunteers, materials, program support, and needs interpretation.

Services offered: Donations * (ANY/ALL Types); * KITS, CLEANING/CLEAN UP KITS; * KITS, HYGIENE KITS; * KITS, SCHOOL BAG KITS, NEW Items ONLY; * KITS, TOILETRY KIT w/Towel; Linens, Bedding, Blankets, NEW ONLY
Campaigns: 2011 Hurricane Irene/Tropical Storm Irene; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; CWS ~ Church World Service; VOAD, NVOAD (National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster – this org is a member)
Updated Nov 7, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4295

Community Arise

Info/Hotline · Open

Disaster Training
Phone www.communityarise.net and www.communityarise.com

>>> Bob Arnold 8/29/2007 12:13:56 PM >>>
I am pleased to announce that the comprehensive Community Arise disaster ministry curriculum materials developed by Church World Service and its partner denominations are now publicly available via www.communityarise.net and www.communityarise.com. We're facing a slight registry problem with www.communityarise.org which should be resolved early next week at which time CA will also be available via that url address as well.

Via the web site, visitors can view or download the instructor's guide, participant manual, and powerpoint slides for:

– Basic Disaster Ministry
– Disaster Case Management Overview
– Disaster Long–Term Recovery
– Volunteer Management & Coordination
– Emotional & Spiritual Care in Disaster
– Children & Youth in Disaster
– Technology–Caused Disaster Response

The interactive online version of Basic Disaster Ministry is in the final stages development and will be available on the web site soon. Also, the materials for Vulnerability to Disaster are being revised and not available via the web site currently.

The web pages for each curriculum module invites feedback from trainers using the curriculum materials and notes if the the course has not been pilot–tested.

Services offered: Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Community Groups; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Disaster Ministry, Faith–Based; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Disaster Relief/Recovery, Online; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Training Classes, Online/Virtual Training
Campaigns: CWS ~ Church World Service
Updated Sep 13, 2007 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1835

National Disaster Interfaiths Network (NDIN)

Info/Hotline · Open

Phone 212.669.6100
Contact Manager
Email info @ n–din . org
Web www.n–din.org
Service Temporary

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
Updated Sep 6, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/8888

UMCOR (United Methodist Committee On Relief) – NATIONAL HQ

Info/Hotline · Open

Coalition of Churches

Phone	Volunteer Hotline (800) 918–3100
Web	new.gbgm–umc.org/umcor
Checks payable to	http://www.umvim.org/inv1.htm
Service	Temporary

2012 HURRICANE SANDY –

Response to Sandy

We express gratitude to the several volunteers who have already offered to serve, however, right now, all response efforts for Hurricane Sandy remain to be in the emergency and rescue stage.

UMVIM will continue to communicate via email, Facebook posts, and Twitter any news that we receive. Rebuilding is a long and arduous process. We will continue to keep those affected in our prayers and ask that you do the same.

UMCOR Cleaning Buckets:

We encourage churches, mission groups, and individuals to spend a day creating cleaning buckets. The need for cleaning buckets and also school kits are currently being requested by the Northeastern Jurisdiction and UMCOR staff. Instructions can be found at www.umcor.org

PREPARE –
Cleaning Buckets or School Kits

For more information for shipping, please email our office or contact your Annual Conference. Several Annual Conferences will have collection points set up and we can connect you with those contacts.

Regional contacts:
http://new.gbgm–umc.org/about/us/mv/mission–teams–umvim/jurisdl–umvimcoords/

INFO From website:
http://new.gbgm–umc.org/about/us/mv/programs/disasterresponse/

The first contact point for volunteers after a disaster is the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) Volunteer Hotline, 1–800–918–3100. Your name will be registered to receive information on volunteering at a site. You will be contacted as the area is able to receive volunteers.

Disaster Relief Link:
http://www.umvim.org/Disaster_Response.htm

Update on hurricane relief:
http://new.gbgm–umc.org/umcor/work/emergencies/ongoing/hurricane2005/

For the latest information on breaking Disasters see the UMCOR Hotline.

Disaster areas that receive volunteer teams for long term recovery require sufficient time to assess damage and coordinate a response. Potential teams must be patient in the early stages of disaster, as the only persons allowed into such areas are Emergency Management Agency and certified personnel and law–enforcement officials.

The first contact point for volunteers after a disaster is the UMCOR Volunteer Hotline (800) 918–3100. Your name will be registered to receive information on volunteering at a site. You will be contacted as the area is able to receive volunteers.

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UMVIM also promotes and encourages mission through our quarterly newsletter, the UPDATE, our printed literature and Web site. These tools present mission to our current community and potential volunteers, as well as to other United Methodists and Christians. We provide training programs for individuals and team leaders to help them prepare themselves and their team(s) for the mission field.

Contact us at sejinfo @umvim.org

Meet the staff
Executive Director, Rev. Nick Elliott
Associate Director, Joe Hamilton
Secretary/Receptionist, Charlotte Starks
Communications Specialist, Landon Taylor
Development Director, Candy Benson
Medical Consultant, Dr. Mike Watson

http://www.umvim.org/about.htm

http://www.umvim.org/Team_Opportunities-usa.htm
Team Opportunities

Read news and post your comments at the UMVIM USA blog...
US National Projects for Teams

UMVIM maintains a list of projects available for volunteer teams in the USA, briefly describing the type of project and its location. This List of Projects is arranged by jurisdiction (region of the USA) and by state. Click on the appropriate region to see a list of projects and contact persons currently available in those regions.

http://www.umvim.org/Insurance.htm
Insurance
New Insurance Plan for UMVIM SEJ
EFFECTIVE for teams departing on or after Nov. 1, 2006
SEE Website for details!!
Questions? sejinfo@umvim.org or 404-377-7424

SEE ALSO: https://reliefdb.org/shelters/902

News release from Priority Needs:

FLORIDA STORMS FEBRUARY 2007:

Many persons have asked if Early Response Teams are needed in relation to the storms over the weekend. Fortunately at this time Florida has enough ERTs; however, if you would like to register with the UMVIM, SEJ office in case more are needed, please send us an e-mail with your contact information.

Volunteers for future teams in Florida recovery,
please contact: Florida Conference Volunteer Hotline:

800-282-8011 ext 149
E-mail: stormrecovery@flumc.org

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Services offered: Cleanup, House Gutter, Volunteer; Hotline, National Volunteer Referral Hotlines; Insurance Plans for Volunteers to Buy; Management, Project Managers, Volunteer; Management, Volunteer Coordination Services; Meals, Volunteers, Meals for Volunteers; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types); Volunteer, Volunteer Referral Services
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2005 Hurricane Rita; 2008 Hurricane Gustav; 2008 Hurricane Ike; 2010 Haiti Earthquake; 2010 Pakistan Floods; 2012 Hurricane Sandy; CWS ~ Church World Service; GlobalMedic; Muslim Aid; UMCOR Relief Network
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