Resource Guide

Generated November 25, 2026 · 6 open facilities · closed facilities are not listed · call before you go: details change quickly

LA

Be Fair to Animals Shelter

Animal Shelter

Non–Profit

6609 Fourth St., Alexandria, LA 71303

Phone 318/ 442–2202
Web www.adoptapet.com/adoption_rescue/73744.html
Hours variable outreach schedule
Checks payable to Be Fair to Animals, inc.
Service Temporary

Sent status request by email to see if this shelter is still open and active and if they are responding to Isaac – LTel 9/9/12

Services offered: Animals, Adoption, Animals for Adoption; Animals, Rescue, Animal Rescue Services; Shelter, Animal Shelter, NO KILL Animal Shelter
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina
Updated Sep 9, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1357

Food Bank of Central Louisiana

Warehouse · Open

Food Bank

3223 Baldwin Avenue, Alexandria, LA 71301

Phone (318) 445–2773
Web www.fbcenla.org
Serves Allen, Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, LaSalle, Natchitoches, Rapides, Sabine, Vernon and Winn
Eligibility one must fall within the poverty levels set by the federal government
Checks payable to "The Food Bank Of Central Louisiana"
Service Permanent

2010 Oil Spill

http://blog.feedingamerica.org/2010/06/vicki–escarra–writes–about–oil–spill–on–huffington–post/

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NVOAD – Situation Report 6/16/10

Feeding America has been active in Louisiana, Alabama, and the Panhandle of Florida, opening their food banks and working with the State VOADs. They have formed a working group at their National Office, which will meet for the first time this Friday, to get a better handle on the situation along the Gulf Coast. This working group is assessing the situation and considering the future need for full involvement of their organization, and will provide support current with the coastal food banks.

FROM THE WEBSITE 9/5/08:

The Food Bank of Central Louisiana is responding to the effects of Hurricane Gustav. In addition to working with shelters and government agencies, the Food Bank continues the partnership with our network of agencies who will be among the first to respond with emergency hunger relief.

The public can help by supporting the Food Bank's disaster relief efforts, both with donations of food and funds. We had just begun to replenish our stock when we learned about Gustav. We will definitely rely on the community's help during this situation.

Another way the public can assist the food bank is by volunteering to help pack emergency food boxes. If anyone is interested in supporting the Food Bank of Central Louisiana, please call 318–445–2773.

When disaster strikes, the Food Bank of Central Louisiana is prepared to respond with food assistance and emergency supplies.

It is the goal of the Food Bank of Central Louisiana to act as a conduit for donated food and other essential grocery items for the purpose of disaster relief. This will be done with the support of America's Second Harvest – the Nation's Food Bank Network, and in coordination with other relief organizations. In times of national disaster, the Food Bank of Central Louisiana may be a collection point for local donations.

The Food Bank of Central Louisiana will be responsible for solicitation, handling, storage and distribution of products to an established network of more than 80 agencies in Central Louisiana. In addition, distribution will extend to state, city, military, American Red Cross, and other VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster) sites, as necessary, during an emergency. The extent of service the Food Bank provides will vary in accordance with the scope of the disaster and availability fo resources.

Whether the emergencies are on an individual level such as the loss of a job, or for larger disasters as seen with Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the Food Bank of Central Louisiana and their partner agencies provide direct food assistance to the most vulnerable.

A disaster is defined as an occurrence such as a terrorism attack, hurricane, tornado, storm, flood, high water, wind driven water, tidal wave, earthquake, drought, blizzard, pestilence, fire, famine or other natural situation that causes human suffering or creates human needs that the victims cannot alleviate without assistance.

Population served
Number of counties served: 11
Total pounds of food distributed annually: 6,533,427

Types and numbers of services agencies distributing food
Emergency:29
Soup Kitchen:2
Shelter:2
Residence:3
Day Care:1
Multi–service:14
Senior:10
Rehabilitation:5
Youth Programs:10
Other Programs:2.Basic programs being run (i.e. CK, KC, produce, job training)
Fresh Produce, Back Pack, Direct Service, Kids Cafes, Purchase Program, TEFAP, CSFP, SFSP, Mobile Pantry, Non Food Distribution, Food Stamps

Services offered: Food Distribution, Food Bank (This Site Supplies Food Pantries/Agencies); Food Distribution, Food Boxes, Emergency Food Boxes * (ANY/ALL Types) ; 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); Warehouse, Warehouse Space
Campaigns: 2008 Hurricane Gustav; America's Second Harvest; VOAD (this org is not a member, but is "affiliated")
Updated Jun 21, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3658

LTRC, Central Louisiana Unmet Needs Committee (serving Allen, Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Evangeline, Grant LaSalle, Rapides and Vernon Parishes)

Info/Hotline · Open

Disaster Recovery
1101 Fourth St, Suite 202, Alexandria, LA 71301

Phone 318–443–7203, Ext. 5
Web www.uwcl.org/index.php?pr=Our_Community
Serves Allen, Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Evangeline, Grant LaSalle, Rapides and Vernon Parishes
Service Temporary

Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee
Updated Sep 14, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/723

Red Cross, Central Louisiana Chapter

Info/Hotline · Open

Red Cross Chapter
1104 Billy Mitchell, Alexandria, LA 71303

Phone 318.442.6621
Web www.cenlaredcross.org
Service Temporary

Red Cross Volunteers and partners are encouraged to notify the Red Cross of availability to respond over the next 2 weeks by emailing volunteer @cenlaredcross.org or by calling 318 442–6621, ext 411.

SOURCE: http://www.cnn.com/2008/US/weather/08/27/gustav.nola/index.html

"Nagin will order a mandatory evacuation if a hurricane of a Category 3 intensity or higher approaches the city, Sneed said. However, an evacuation could be ordered for a less intense hurricane if it were particularly slow–moving and carried greater flooding potential, he said.

New Orleans estimates that 30,000 residents would need help evacuating, Sneed said. He said that only 7,000 people have signed up to get that help.

Sneed said buses and trains were ready to take evacuees to shelters in Shreveport, Alexandria and Monroe, Louisiana, and in Jackson, Mississippi."

For Updated Information:
http://hurricanegustav.wordpress.com/

Services offered: Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2008 Hurricane Gustav; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC
Updated May 19, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3515

Salvation Army

Walk–in Resource · Open

4600 Jackson Street, Alexandria, LA 71301

Phone 318 442–0445
Web www.uss.salvationarmy.org/uss/www_uss.nsf
Hours 9–4 M–Sat
Serves Rapides Parish
Service Temporary

Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; Salvation Army

Updated Aug 31, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/440

SHELTER, LSU Alexandria (LA State University)

Shelter · Standby

State Run Evacuation Shelter

8100 Hwy 71 South, Alexandria, LA 71302

Phone 888.473.6417
Web www.lsua.edu
Serves LA
Eligibility Hurricane Evacuees
Service Temporary

FROM THE SCHOOL WEBSITE 8/31/08:

HURRICANE UPDATE: LSUA has upgraded the alert status for Hurricane Gustav to a WARNING. Please monitor this web site and local news for updates.

In order to provide for optimal safety for all concerned and as a result of Hurricane Gustav, all offices will be closed and all classes at Louisiana State University at Alexandria will be cancelled on Tuesday, September 2, 2008 and Wednesday, September 3, 2008. This applies to the main campus at Highway 71 South, the Allied Health Building, the Alexandria Museum of Art in downtown Alexandria and the Business Education Center and the Learning Center for Rapides Parish.

SOURCE: http://www.thetowntalk.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20080828/NEWS01/808280343/1002

"It's also possible we could use a new facility built in Alexandria," the governor said, even though it is not technically ready for occupancy. He said he believes it is "completed sufficiently" to be utilized if the 68,000 other spaces are filled.

SOURCE: http://www.thetowntalk.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20080829/NEWS01/808290359

Cenla could bear brunt of evacuations
By Tom Bonnette • tbonnette@thetowntalk.com • August 29, 2008

Hurricane Katrina, which struck the Louisiana Gulf Coast three years ago today, sent tens of thousands of New Orleans evacuees to hurricane shelters in neighboring communities across South Louisiana in search of higher ground.

Many who sought refuge in South Louisiana in 2005 might end up in Central Louisiana should Tropical Storm Gustav develop into a powerful hurricane and follow a trajectory similar to Katrina.

A new state law forbidding hurricane evacuation shelters below the Interstate 10 corridor in the event of a Category 3 hurricane or stronger leaves Alexandria–Pineville as the closest metro area above Interstate 10 that could accommodate a large influx of evacuees.

Shelters would not operate in much of Baton Rouge and Lafayette, as well as all of the Houma–Thibodeaux region and Lake Charles –– all of which saw massive migrations of refugees after Katrina.

As of late Thursday, the National Weather Service was projecting that the storm would move into the Gulf of Mexico by Sunday and head toward the Louisiana coast with an expected landfall of Tuesday morning.

If Gustav were to strike the Louisiana Gulf Coast early next week, the Alexandria area would be first in line to accept evacuees, said Sonya Wiley–Gremillion, executive director of the Rapides Parish Office of Emergency Preparedness

"We are going to get the brunt of it. As our general population shelters start to fill up, we will start to fill up shelters to the north of us in the Shreveport and Monroe area," she said.

She cautioned that the situation remains fluid but that in a worse–case scenario –– a powerful storm causing a mass evacuation in the New Orleans area –– Rapides Parish shelters alone might take in as many as 15,000 evacuees.

That number doesn't count 3,500 evacuees who could be housed at the recently completed shelter at Louisiana State University at Alexandria.

The 230,000–square–foot LSU AgCenter shelter, which was completed two weeks ago, is functional but not yet equipped to accommodate evacuees, said John Barnett, regional AgCenter director.

"We thought it would be equipped by November," Barnett said. "We thought that we would have a couple of months to get it ready, not two weeks."

Currently, the shelter has electrical power and running water, but that's about it, Barnett said.

There are no beds, furniture, kitchen supplies, toiletries or other items that would be needed to house people. The shelter would be turned over to the Louisiana Department of Social Services in the event of a hurricane evacuation.

On Thursday, Gov. Bobby Jindal requested federal help to assist in preparing the shelter to accept hurricane evacuees.

State officials were on hand Thursday at LSUA readying the gymnasium at the school's fitness center to be used as a special needs shelter.

Wiley–Gremillion said a meeting will take place this morning at the Rapides Parish Police Jury office to be attended by agencies that are assisting in hurricane shelter plans, including the Red Cross and representatives from local municipalities.

Services offered: Shelter * (ANY/ALL Types); Shelter, Evacuation, Special Needs Evacuation Shelter; Support for "All Local" Disasters
Campaigns: 2008 Hurricane Gustav
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