Tzu Chi Foundation: Resource Guide

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AL

Tzu Chi Buddhists – 2011 AL Tornadoes

Info/Hotline · Open

Faith–based Disaster Relief

Various, AL

Phone (909)447–7799 ext. 502 or 504
Web www.us.tzuchi.org/usa/home.nsf/home/index?OpenDocument
Service Temporary

If you were impacted by the tornadoes in the Southeast or Mid–Atlantic, please contact Tzu Chi at (909)447–7799 ext. 502 or 504 for assistance.

04/29/2011
Tornadoes in the Southeast and Mid–Atlantic: Tzu Chi volunteers assess tornado damages in the state of Georgia and are providing assistance in other states
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Several states in the Southeast and Mid–Atlantic have suffered tremendous damages after the tornadoes swept through these states. Currently, Tzu Chi is providing relief in North Carolina, Virginia, Georgia and Alabama.

A team of volunteers from Tzu Chi's Atlanta Branch Office traveled to the counties of Spalding, Lamar and Rabun in the state of Georgia to assess damages on April 29. The volunteers brought daily necessities and cleaning supplies such as shampoo, gloves, masks and goggles (for purpose of removing debris) to the tornado survivors.

Tzu Chi continues to monitor the needs of disaster survivors, and Tzu Chi's family services will be activated to provide aid to individual households who suffered from the tornadoes.

If you would like to make a donation to support tornado survivors in the Southeast and Mid–Atlantic
http://www.us.tzuchi.org/usa/home.nsf/other/donateCharity

Tzu Chi is very anxious to participate in local VOAD activities.

SERVICES –
http://www.us.tzuchi.org/usa/home.nsf/service/index
Campaigns: 2011 Alabama Tornado; 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; Tzu Chi Foundation
Updated May 18, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1181

AS

VOAD – American Samoa VOAD (VOASD)

Info/Hotline · Open

LTRC, VOAD

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

Phone 684–699–9809
Web www.asvoad.org
Serves American Samoa
Eligibility Impacted by the AS Tsunami
Checks payable to ASVOAD
Service Temporary

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

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

SOURCE: Samoanews.com

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

FROM THE VOAD SITE:

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

AS VOAD looking for wheelchairs and crutches

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

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

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

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

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

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

AZ

VOAD (Arizona) AzVOAD

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD (State Level)
PO Box 5705, Phoenix, AZ 85010
Phone 602–468–3818 General Information
Web www.azvoad.org
Service Temporary

Regional info – (SEE LINK for contacts)
http://www.azvoad.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=94&Itemid=158

PINAL VOAD is the PINAL County Arizona chapter of NVOAD (National VOAD)
Pinal County United Way

YUMA/LA PAZ VOAD is the YUMA/LA PAZ County Arizona chapter of NVOAD (National VOAD)
Yuma/LaPaz Red Cross

YAVAPAI VOAD is the YAVAPAI County Arizona chapter of NVOAD (National VOAD)
Yavapai Emergency Mgt

NORTHEAST VOAD Apache and Cochise Counties) is the Arizona chapter of NVOAD (National VOAD)
The Salvation Army White Mountain

COCONINO VOAD is the Coconion County Arizona chapter of NVOAD (National VOAD)
Christ's Church of Flagstaff

MOHAVE VOAD is the Mohave County Arizona chapter of NVOAD (National VOAD)
United Way

Arizona Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster
Jim Puza | Chairman | Phone: 602.267.4174
2011 – Arizona Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

Services offered: Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Long Term Recovery Support; Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: American Red Cross; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities Community Services; Christian Emergency Network (CEN); Church of the Brethren Disaster Response; Ecumenical Ministries; Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest; Mennonite Disaster Service; Oregon Service Hotline; Rotary Club (Local Civic Group); Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Tzu Chi Foundation; UMCOR Relief Network; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
Updated Jun 9, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2136

CA

Hope Coalition America (Division of Operation USA)

Info/Hotline · Open

Disaster Relief
3617 Hayden Avenue, Suite A, Culver City, CA 90232
Phone 800.678.7255 or 310.838.3455
Web www.opusa.org
Service Temporary

OPERATION USA RESPONDS TO
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FIRES

Operation USA's initial and immediate response to the California wildfires included donations of 10,000 N–95 Masks (disposable particulate respirators) to the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department and 10,000 N–95 Masks, 960 pairs of heavy leather work gloves and 1000 pairs of safety goggles to be distributed to migrant farm workers throughout the heavily affected San Diego county. Operation USA is continuing to assess additional needs in rural areas where the basic infrastructure of electricity, water and farmland has been heavily damaged and where recovery will take a substantial amount of time. We work through local nonprofit organizations in the affected counties.

Your contributions are still needed. Donations can be made by credit card by calling (800) 678–7255 or by going online at www.opusa.org and specifying that your donation is for the victims of the California wildfires.

If companies would like to donate bulk quantities of appropriate relief supplies, contact Neil Frame at 800–678–7255 or by e–mail at nframe@opusa.org.

For the past 27 years we?ve prided ourselves in strictly adhering to several operating principles which, taken together and despite our small size, have gained Operation USA international recognition as one of the world?s most cutting edge relief and development organizations.

Foremost among these principles and despite our organizational name, Operation USA accepts no US Government funding of any kind. We have avoided becoming a US Government contractor unlike many of the major international relief agencies whose growth is largely dependent on such funding. Underpinning this is our belief that ?Private Means Private?, and so we rely instead on the generosity of the American people and on their private institutions to support our work.

Domestic & International Emergency Relief

Operation USA has experienced that, instantaneously, a family, community and entire nation can be devastated and be faced with unprecedented challenges. To mitigate the immediate effects of such tragedies, Operation USA rapidly and expertly provides on–the–ground aid by sending vital life–saving supplies and cash grants to assist communities in rebuilding. Partnering with grassroots organizations, Operation USA specializes in reaching vulnerable populations who are in the greatest need, yet who are often ignored by governments and larger aid organizations.

Rapid Relief – When an emergency strikes, Operation USA is often one of the first professional responders, on the ground with medical supplies, water, purification equipment, shelter materials and trauma teams.

Recovery & Rebuilding – As the emergency phase slowly lessens, Operation USA makes grants to local organizations to help them build their capacity to meet their communities' basic needs.

Long–Term Development – Years after a disaster has abated, communities are still frequently in need of assistance. Responding to a continuing need, Operation USA makes grants to partner organizations for sustainable community–based projects.

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Operation USA?s main shipping center is a 25,000 square foot warehouse donated by the Port of Los Angeles, with an auxiliary warehouse in the Port of San Francisco. During a disaster, these warehouses function as the receiving centers, making it easier

and faster for shipments to be approved before heading out. During non–emergency times, the warehouse remains stocked with supplies Operation USA donates to California?s 200 community clinics.

Services offered: Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Distribution * (ANY/ALL Types); Distribution, Bulk Distribution; Distribution, Supplies, International Distribution of Supplies; Distribution, Supplies, Local Distribution of Supplies; Distribution, Supplies, National Distribution of Supplies; Donations, Coordination, Large Donation Coordination; Donations, In–Kind Donation, Services; Donations, In–Kind Donations Services, Corporate (Large); Donations, In–Kind Donations Services, Small Lots; First Responder, Gulf Region; First Responder, West Coast Region; Grants * (ANY/ALL Types of Financial Grants); Medical, Supplies * (ANY/ALL Types) ; Recycling, Toiletries, Sample Sized NEW ONLY; Support for "All" Disasters; Warehouse, Warehouse Space
Campaigns: 2005 Hurricane Katrina; 2005 Hurricane Rita; 2007 California Wildfires; 2007 South Mexico Floods; 2007 Tropical Cyclone Sidr; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CARe, Inc. (Community Assisted Recovery); Catholic Charities; Hope Coalition America (A Division of Operation Hope); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Salvation Army; Tzu Chi Foundation; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
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Catholic Charities (Los Angeles)

Walk–in Resource · Open

Faith–Based, Non–Profit Community
1531 James M. Wood Blvd.; P.O. Box 15095, Los Angeles, CA 15095

Phone	(213) 251–3400 Fax: (213) 380–4603
Web	www.catholiccharitiesla.org
Serves	Los Angeles, Ventura & Santa Barbara Counties
Eligibility	Residents Impacted by the Sayre & Tea Wildfires (11/08) / Low Income / Immigrant Folks
Checks payable to	Catholic Charities of Los Angeles
Service	Temporary

Catholic Charities, Los Angeles: Donations to assist the victims of the recent wild fires in Los Angeles, Santa Barbara and Ventura Counties will be used to assist individuals and families with housing, food, clothing, financial assistance and counseling. Call Catholic Charities at (213) 251–3494, or mail donations to Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Resource Development Department, 1531 James M. Wood Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90015–0095. Or donate online through Catholic Charities' Website: CatholicCharitiesLA.org.

Since 1919, Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc. has been one of the largest social service providers in Los Angeles, Ventura and Santa Barbara counties. In more than 50 offices and community centers, the agency rendered over 1.28 million services during the past year (July 1, 2006–June 30, 2007).

Clients come to Catholic Charities for emergency food and shelter, low–cost before–and–after–school childcare, immigration and refugee assistance, counseling services, computer and jobs skills training, and other supportive services. Poverty doesn't discriminate. How could Catholic Charities? All services are available regardless of a client's race, ethnicity, income, gender or religious belief.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Health & Human Rights; Advocacy, Migrants/Immigrant Workers ; Assistance * (ANY Type of: Referrals or "How to" Assistance); Assistance, Referrals, Case Management Referrals; Assistance, Referrals * General Information & Referral; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, Seniors/Elders; Case Management, Wildfire Survivors; Counseling, Crisis Counseling; Counseling, Domestic Abuse Support; Counseling (Free or Sliding Scale) * (ANY/ALL Types of Counseling); Counseling, Group Counseling; Counseling, Post Disaster Counseling; Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Distribution * (ANY/ALL Types); Distribution, Clothing Distribution (To the Public); Distribution, Clothing, For Disaster Survivors; Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Financial Assistance, Utility Bill Assistance; Food Distribution, Emergency/Disaster Food Distribution; Food, Distribution, Emergency Food Program; Housing * (ANY/ALL Types); Housing, Housing Assistance, Relocation $ for Survivors; Services, Family, Children, Child Care Program; Services, Immigration, Refugee Resettlement (See also "Assistance"); Shelter * (ANY/ALL Types); Shelter, Emergency Shelter; Shelter, Homeless Shelter; Shelter, Womens, Battered Womens Shelter; Support for "All" Disasters; Thrift Store; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training, Services, Employment /JobTraining ; Vouchers, Household Item Vouchers; Youth Program
Campaigns: 2007 California Wildfires; 2008 Marek/Sesnon/Sayre – California Wildfires; CARe, Inc. (Community Assisted Recovery); Catholic Charities; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Hope Coalition America (A Division of Operation Hope); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Salvation Army; Tzu Chi Foundation; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
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ENLA (Emergency Network Los Angeles – Los Angeles County VOAD)

Info/Hotline · Open

Non Profit – Disaster Preparedness/Response/Recovery (VOAD)
900 West James Wood Blvd. (9th St.), Los Angeles, CA 90015
Phone (424) 421–4349, (213) 629–1974

Web www.enla.org

2025 fire response:
https://www.laworks.com/2025fires
NOT accepting supply donations, need money and volunteers

info@enla.org

3/1/10
2010 CHILE EARTHQUAKE
http://www.enla.org/breaking_news.htm

LTel 11/25/08:

ENLA had their first meeting which included the VOAD member representatives and registered FEMA families on 11/24/08.

The next meeting is closed and will be the first LTRC Planning meeting on 12/04/08 at 6:30 pm. The location is TBA.

Emergency Network Los Angeles, Inc. (ENLA) is a network of Los Angeles County, non profit, community based organizations (CBOs) that provide assistance to individuals, families, and organizations following emergencies and disasters. ENLA works in coordination with government agencies and the private sector.

ENLA is recognized by the Los Angeles County Operational Area and the City of Los Angeles as the networking agency for community based oganizations.

ENLA is the Los Angeles County VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters), and is recognized by Southern California VOAD and National VOAD.

ENLA is incorporated as a 501(c)(3) organization under the laws of the State of California.

Services offered: Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Government, County, Department of Health; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Disaster Response; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness; Training Classes, First Response, Misc. * (ANY/ALL Types); Training Classes, First Response, Search & Rescue
Campaigns: 2008 California Wildfires; 2008 Marek/Sesnon/Sayre – California Wildfires; 2009 Station Wildfire; 2010 Chile Earthquake; 2025 California Wildfires; 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities; Childrens Hunger Fund; EMA (Emergency Management Agency) Regional/County; Humane Society of the United States, The; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Tzu Chi Foundation; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Jan 9, 2025 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2257

Salvation Army, Los Angeles Area

Info/Hotline · Open

Faith–Based, Non–Profit, Disaster Response/Recovery, Community
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DIVISION; 900 West James M. Wood Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90015
Phone (213) 389–6774 / (213) 896–9160
Serves Los Angeles County
Eligibility 2008 California Wildfire Survivors
Service Temporary

The Salvation Army is currently providing case management services to Sayre, Sesnon & Marek Wildfires survivors through the San Fernando Valley Long Term Recovery Group

To register for survivor assistance, go to:

www.rebuildsylmar.org

Services offered: Case Management, Long–Term Case Management; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, Wildfire Survivors; Demographic Served: Homeless; Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 2008 Marek/Sesnon/Sayre – California Wildfires; 2009 Station Wildfire; American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; CARe, Inc. (Community Assisted Recovery); Catholic Charities; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Hope Coalition America (A Division of Operation Hope); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Salvation Army; Tzu Chi Foundation; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Aug 29, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3930

Providence Health Services (Senior Outreach Program)

Info/Hotline · Open

Non–Profit Community / Long Term Disaster Recovery
6801 Coldwater Cyn., No. Hollywood, CA
Web www.providence.org/losangeles/general/community–outreach.htm
Serves Los Angeles County, CA
Eligibility Seniors/Disaster Survivors – 2008 SoCal Wildfires

Service Permanent

Providence Health Services / Sr. Outreach Program is providing Sayre/Sesnon/Marek Wildfire survivors with Case Management and is part of the San Fernando Valley Long Term Recovery Group.

Faith Community Health Partnership (Senior Outreach Program offered through Providence Health Services)
Description of the program:

The Parish Nurse or Faith Community Nurse, Mary Munchi, provides ongoing health screenings to members of the community such as blood pressure, glucose, cholesterol, referrals and personal health counseling at St. Didacus Church.
Understanding at this time there may not be an immediate need for these services (for fire families); we would like to address the senior population affected by the Marek/Sayre Wildfires. We are offering access to our Senior Peer Counseling Program as a Long–Term Recovery service. Our senior Peer Counselors are volunteers who have been extensively trained and are supervised by a mental health professional. They provide one–on–one counseling designed to support and assist seniors in the community who may be facing challenging or difficult circumstances in their lives….such as the fire.

Services Provided:

>Being depressed, sad or anxious
>Facing difficulties with getting older
>Grieving the loss of a loved one, or loss of their home
>Increased difficulty managing at home
>Adjusting to chronic health conditions
>Coping with family conflict
>Loneliness

Volunteers for Seniors provide valuable services for frail, home–bound seniors who have no other resources. Volunteers for seniors provide access to medical care and help to maintain independence in the home, which enhances and maintains the quality of life for seniors. Services include: transportation to medical appointments, shopping for groceries, light housekeeping, cooking a meal and friendly visiting.

Carolyn Young, LCSW does the initial intake before assigning a counselor and B.J. Valencia, Case Manager, does the initial home visit assessment before a service is provided.

Anyone can refer or be referred. Contact information for Senior Peer Counseling:

Carolyn Young, LCSW (Initial Intake) – Phone # 818–847–3845
B.J. Young, Case Manager (Vol.'s for Seniors – Phone # 818–847–3846
Address: 6801 Coldwater Cyn. Ave., Ste. 1A, No. Hollywood, CA 91605

Services offered: Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Case Management, Seniors/Elders; Case Management, Wildfire Survivors; Demographic Served: Seniors / Elderly; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Services *0* (Choose this if You Provide or Need ANY Type of Social Services); Services, Disaster, Post Disaster Needs Assessment; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Senior/Elderly Services; Services, Senior Programs; Services, Seniors, Shopping Assistance (For Elders/Seniors/Disabled); Services, Seniors, Visitation, Emotional Care
Campaigns: 2008 Marek/Sesnon/Sayre – California Wildfires; CARe, Inc. (Community Assisted Recovery); Catholic Charities; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Hope Coalition America (A Division of Operation Hope); LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Salvation Army; Tzu Chi Foundation
Updated May 2, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/4285

Tzu Chi Foundation (HQ)

Info/Hotline · Open

Non–Profit Disaster Relief
TAIWAN BUDDHIST TZU CHI FOUNDATION,; U.S.A. NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS; 1100 S. Valley Center Ave., San Dimas, CA 91773

Phone (909)447–7799
Web www.us.tzuchi.org
Serves Southern California Wildfires Regions
Eligibility Impacted by SoCal Wildfires 11/08
Service Temporary

2011 JAPAN EARTHQUAKE, Tsunami

BLOG –
http://www.us.tzuchi.org/usa/home.nsf/fd4adc073f7366fe88256fa70060285a/cd3873edb70de70e882578550026eabc?OpenDocument

Japan record at:
https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7756

Date: 2008/11/18

Tzu Chi volunteers ease the evacuees' minds and discuss relief plans
As of 9 AM on November 17, the 28,889–acre Triangle Fire was 40% contained with a total of 155 residences destroyed and another 104 damaged. The Tea Fire, which destroyed 111 houses, was 95% contained and the Sayre Fire was 40% contained with 615 homes destroyed.

On November 16, 13 Tzu Chi volunteers from the Northwest Los Angeles region visited the shelter in Sylmar High. The volunteers performed sign language songs for a deaf couple. The wife pointed at a picture on Los Angeles Times showing the ruins of the mobile home park. Their home was totally destroyed, and they are staying with a friend for now. Tears began to well up in her eyes. The volunteers patted on her shoulder and comforted her.

On the same day, Tzu Chi volunteers from Orange County visited the shelter in Katella High where the evacuees from the Sayre Fire stayed. While providing assistance at Katella High, the American Red Cross asked Tzu Chi to support the other three shelters in the area as well. Tzu Chi immediately mobilized its volunteers and arranged for resources to provide the additional support needed.

At the shelter in Valencia High, an old lady patted her chest and continued to ask for a doctor even after she had just been checked by a doctor and no problem was detected. A Tzu Chi volunteer quickly went over to her, took her by the hand, offered her a drink of water, and chatted with her. The old lady gradually calmed down after the volunteer chatted with her. For this, her husband was very grateful.

On the same day, local Tzu Chi volunteers encountered city council member Wen P. Chang when they visited the shelter in Diamond Bar High. Mr. Chang was very familiar with Tzu Chi and immediately helped the volunteers to set up a service station. Diamond Bar Mayor Jack Tanaka went over to Tzu Chi's service station, shook hands with the volunteers and thanked them for their support. The volunteers provided a total of 156 blankets to the evacuees in Diamond Bar High on the 16th and 17th, as well as served a Chinese–style lunch to 100–plus evacuees and staff on November 17.

On the 18th, ten volunteers distributed cash cards and/or blankets to the fire survivors in Brea Community Center. Starting on the 19th, the city of Sylmar will open a One Stop Help Center to provide various services to the fire survivors. Tzu Chi will set up a station there to provide assistance.

William Keh, CEO of Tzu Chi Foundation U.S.A., once again urges the public to conserve water and power. He asks everyone to pray sincerely for full containment of the wildfires as soon as possible. Public donations to Tzu Chi will go a long way to assist the fire victims. The donation hotline is 1–888–989–8244.

For more information, please contact Tzu Chi USA at (909)447–7799 or visit www.us.tzuchi.org

Services offered: Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); First Responder, West Coast Region; First Responder, Worldwide; Food * (ANY/ALL Types); Linens, Bedding, Blankets * (ANY/ALL Types); Shelter, Evacuation Shelter, Volunteer; Support for "All" Disasters
Campaigns: 2007 California Wildfires; 2008 California Wildfires; 2008 Marek/Sesnon/Sayre – California Wildfires; 2011 Japan Earthquake/Tsunami/Nuclear Disasters; InterAction; International Aid; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Tzu Chi Foundation; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
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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")
Updated Mar 23, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3988

Southern California Wildfires '08: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (PRIVATE GRANTS)

Info/Hotline · Open

Disaster Recovery/Resources
CA

Service Temporary

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

* Tzu Chi Foundation

Tzu Chi provides financial, medical, spiritual, and other services in times of need. Family services include short–term and long–term support. Volunteers assist around 2000 needy families in the United States annually. Among them, some have been cared continuously for more than a decade. Tzu Chi provides assistance to victims of fire, earthquake and flood disasters. Volunteers give out emergency cash and relief supplies within days of a disaster.

Eligibility Requirements: Directly impacted and ID to prove residency of impact sites.
Areas Served: All areas
Hours: 9AM–6PM
Length of Program: Emergency Financial Assistance within 7 working days. Medical Assistances at least 90 days
Phone: (866) GET–INFO
Web site:

* The Salvation Army
The Salvation Army is currently providing emergency food and financial assistance to survivors of the Southern California 2008 Wildfires. Your monetary gift will help The Salvation Army replenish its supplies and be ready to respond whenever the need arises.

Area Served: Sylmar
Phone: (818) 781–5739 ask for Amy Munoz
Web site:

* California Community Foundation (Disaster Survivor Grant):

The November 2008 Sylmar Wildfire presents a significant challenge to Los Angeles County as winter approaches and the housing economy is weakening. With the fires contained, the focus must now shift to the relief and recovery efforts necessary to rebuild impacted communities.

CCF's Southern California Wildfire Relief Fund supports intermediate and long–term recovery efforts with a particular focus on low–income, underserved and vulnerable populations and nonprofit organizations serving the affected areas. Proposals are now being accepted for requests up to $25,000 over one year.

Funding will support organizations serving those who were affected by the November 2008 Sylmar Wildfire through:

(1) Displacement or loss of housing, belongings and/or employment
(2) Negative impact on their physical or mental health
(3) Devastation wrought in their physical environment (e.g., to community facilities)

* CCF Wildfire Relief & Recovery 2008
Grant Application: Deadline is December 17th, 2008

Application is in Word. Application can be accessed at www.rebuildsylmar.org

California Community Foundation

Address: 445 S. Figueroa St., Suite 3400, Los Angeles, CA 90071
Phone: Phone: 213.413.4130 x213
Fax: 213.629.4782
Web site: www.calfund.org

* FINANCIAL/DISASTER COUNSELING

* Operation Hope (Hope Coalition America Division)
Through its partnerships with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the American Red Cross, National Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters (NVOAD) and the Emergency Network of Los Angeles (ENLA), HCA (Hope Coalition America) will work with state and local agencies and their volunteers to provide information and guidance to help families and communities recover.

* HCA (Hope Coalition America) FREE Services Include:

• Disaster Recovery Budget
• Paying a Mortgage on a Destroyed Home
• Home Inspections and Repair Contracts
• Assistance with working with Your Creditors
• Referrals to Government and Private Agencies
• Assistance with Obtaining Copies of Destroyed Financial Documents
• Insurance Claims Assistance
• Emergency Financial First Aid Kit and Personal Disaster Preparedness Guide

Eligibility Requirements: Disaster Victims
Areas Served: All areas
Phone: 1–888–388–HOPE
Web site: www.operationhope.org

Services offered: Assistance, How to, File Disaster Disability Benefits; Counseling, Financial/Budget Counseling; Directories, Directory of Services, Grants Info, Listings, News & Referrals; Directories, Directory of Services, Regional; Directories, Directory of Services, Statewide; Directories, Financial Assistance Programs; Donations, Disaster Fund; Donations, Financial/Monetary Donations; Financial Assistance, Emergency Financial Assistance; Financial Assistance, ** Financial Assistance (ANY/ALL Types); Grants * (ANY/ALL Types of Financial Grants); Grants, Disaster Rebuilding; Grants, Post Disaster (For Rent/Belongings/ Home Repairs/Rebuilding, etc.)
Campaigns: 2008 California Wildfires; Salvation Army; Tzu Chi Foundation
Updated Dec 9, 2008 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/3948

VOAD (Southern California)

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD (State Level)
CA

Web www.calvoad.org
Serves Southern California
Service Temporary

California has two state level VOADs affiliated with National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD). The purpose of VOAD is to foster more effective service to people affected by disaster through cooperation, coordination, communication and collaboration.

Southern CA VOAD (SCVOAD)
Geographical area: Counties of Imperial, Kern, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, and Ventura.

CaliforniaVolunteers and VOAD
CaliforniaVolunteers works in partnership with California's two state VOAD organizations and county/regional VOADs to develop and implement statewide initiatives, programs, projects and activities to increase the capacity and enhance the capabilities of California's VOADs to prepare for and respond to disasters, emergencies, and acts of terrorism. CaliforniaVolunteers is also hosting this VOAD website.

http://www.calvoad.org./cc_voad_current.html

Following Hurricane Katrina, thousands of California volunteers from VOAD member organizations were deployed to the Gulf region to assist with relief operations.

Evacuees in California

As of December 16, 2005, more than 17,000 Katrina evacuees were estimated to be in California.

The following California counties have Katrina–related activities and long term recovery efforts underway:

Southern California:

Theresa McDonald
Catholic Charities
619–231–2828 Ext 315
Riverside County
San Diego County

Bridget Sullivan
The Salvation Army
951–784–4490
San Bernardino County

Captain Gerald Pigeon
The Salvation Army
760–644–3314
Imperial County

Captain Jerry Esqueda
The Salvation Army
760–352–4528

Calfornia Statewide Contacts
Al Cohen
California Council of Churches
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Skip Batchelor
American Red Cross Service Area
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Eddie Neufeld
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Regional Lutheran Social Services (represent Lutheran Disaster Response)
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On the Web: www.calvoad.org

California VOAD – South
Southern California VOAD

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June Loo, Treasurer
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Toni Ethridge
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Local VOADs in Southern CA:

Imperial County:
Contact information coming soon
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Mike Lynch, Civil Air Patrol
Phone: (661) 201–0614

Kern VOAD Co Chair:

Kerry Bulls, IFOC & Bakersfield CERT
Phone: (661) 397–9951 or (661) 444–7814

Los Angeles County (ENLA):

TBD (Red Godfrey, Former Chairperson)
American Red Cross
1–310–445–2670
Website: ENLA

Orange County (COAD):
Bill Stout, Interim Chairman
American Red Cross
1–714–481–5337

Riverside County:

Julie Pardini, Chairperson
American Red Cross
1–888–831–0031

Santa Barbara County:

Kathy Hayes, Chairperson
Santa Barbara County Food Bank
805-937-3422 Ext.101

San Bernardino County:

Gary Madden
2-1-1 Director
Inland Empire United Way
Phone: 909-980-2857 ex.211
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San Diego County:
Don Read
Salvation Army San Diego
619-446-0262

San Luis Obispo VOAD:

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Beth Quaintance
The Salvation Army
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Secretary:
Natalie Schaefer
American Red Cross San Luis Obispo County Chapter
805-543-0696 ext.14

Treasurer:
Patrick Sparrow
Shouts of Grace Church
805-474-5729

VENTURA County VOAD:

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David Kaiser, Treasurer
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Understanding VOAD
http://www.calvoad.org/files/UnderstandingVOADv4.ppt

About VOAD

National VOAD (NVOAD) coordinates planning efforts by many voluntary organizations responding to disaster. NVOAD member organizations provide more effective service and less duplication during times of disaster by getting together before disasters strike. When a disaster occurs, NVOAD or an affiliated state VOAD encourages members and other voluntary agencies to convene on site. This cooperative effort has proven to be the most effective way for a wide variety of volunteers and organizations to work together during a crisis.

According to the National VOAD website, NVOAD serves its member organizations through:

Communication – disseminating information through electronic mechanisms, its newsletter, the directory, research and demonstration, case studies, and critique.
Cooperation – creating a climate for cooperation at all levels (including grass roots) and providing information.
Coordination – coordinating policy among member organizations and serving as a liaison, advocate, and national voice.
Education – providing training and increasing awareness and preparedness in each organization.
Leadership Development – giving volunteer leaders training and support so as to build effective state VOAD organizations.
Mitigation – supporting the efforts of federal, state, and local agencies and governments and supporting appropriate legislation.

Convening Mechanisms – putting on seminars, meetings, board meetings, regional conferences, training programs, and local conferences.
Outreach – encouraging the formation of and giving guidance to state and regional voluntary organizations active in disaster relief.

State VOADs carry out the national work on a local level by convening regular meetings of their members and working together on pre– and post–disaster coordination. In California NorCal VOAD and SCVOAD are affiliated with NVOAD.

Services offered: Support for "All" Disasters; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Disaster Mitigation; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Communications; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Emergency Response; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Volunteer Training; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness; Training Classes, Disaster Recovery; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Training Classes, Disaster Volunteer Management
Campaigns: 2007 California Wildfires; 211 (groups that are ASSOCIATED with 211); American Red Cross / Int'l Federation of RC / ICRC / IFRC; Catholic Charities; Childrens Hunger Fund; Government, City/Town Agency; Government, EMA (Emergency Management Agency), County; Government, FEMA / Department of Homeland Security; Government, State/County; Humane Society of the United States, The; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest; Operation Hope, Hope Coalition America; Operation USA; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Southern Baptist Convention Disaster Relief; Tzu Chi Foundation; UMCOR Relief Network; United Way; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member); World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services
Updated Dec 23, 2009 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/1767

Haiti

Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation

Info/Hotline · Open

Web www.us.tzuchi.org/usa/home.nsf/home/index
Service Temporary

2010 Hait Earthquake

UPDATES AT:
http://www.us.tzuchi.org/usa/home.nsf/type2list?OpenView

Tzu Chi Haiti Relief Operation - Weekly Updates (as of February 26)

Mid– and Long–Term Relief

Tzu Chi relief team in Haiti is assessing long–term reconstruction plans for the quake survivors; the team continues to look for suitable pieces of land for reconstruction. As part of its mid–term relief effort, Tzu Chi has signed an MOA with the City of Tabarre to build public restrooms to improve the sanitary conditions in the area. Tzu Chi has distributed tarps and eco–friendly blankets to approximately 4,550 households this week to help prepare for the upcoming raining season. Tzu Chi is also shipping in approximately 5,000 tents to distribute to the survivors as part of its mid–term relief effort.

Immediate Relief

Tzu Chi's immediate relief operation in Haiti is currently focusing on the following areas: 1) Relief goods distribution; 2) Medical and emotional assistance; 3) Relief work program (food for work program). Tzu Chi's immediate relief operation is primary focused in Tabarre, Delmar and Leogane. Along with the local Tzu Chi volunteers in Haiti, teams of Tzu Chi volunteers and medical personnel from the Americas arrive in Haiti on a weekly basis, providing continuous help in Haiti. Tzu Chi relief team provides medical care and goods directly to the hands of the survivors with respect, a bow and a smile. Tzu Chi provides the relief work program participants work opportunities and food for their family as well as hope.

After the earthquake struck Haiti on January 12, 2010, Tzu Chi immediately established a Haiti relief coordination center at the Tzu Chi USA headquarters (San Dimas, CA), and subsequently, a relief coordination center in Tzu Chi's Dominican Republic office as well as in Haiti. In addition, Tzu Chi initiated a global fundraising campaign, with 35 countries participating in the campaign. The first shipment of goods was immediately prepared by TIHAA (Tzu Chi International Humanitarian Aid Association). *Notes on special goods: Instant rice is ready to be served after 40–50 minutes in room temperature water or 20 minutes in hot water. Instant corn powder can be served after pouring in room temperature water. Each eco–friendly fleece blanket is made from 70 recycled PET bottles.

Services offered: Distribution * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; Tzu Chi Foundation
Updated Oct 27, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6649

Japan

Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation (2011 Japan Earthquake/Tsunami)

Shelter · Open

Web www.tw.tzuchi.org/en

Service Temporary

The volunteers also checked the safety of their fellow members in the affected areas. All those in Tokyo, Kanagawa and Kansai reported in safely. But it was impossible to contact those close to the epicenter of the quake, in Utsunomiya and Gunma and Yamanashi prefectures. The volunteers will continue to try to make contact with them. Through the Internet, they contacted Japanese foundations and other related people to convey the deep concern of Master Cheng Yen.

Source at:
http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/rwb.nsf/db900sid/JARR-8EXD5V?OpenDocument&RSS20&RSS20=FS

An 9.0-magnitude earthquake on the Richter scale hit Japan on March 11 at 2:46 pm Japan time. Immediately after the quake, the Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation set up an emergency coordination center in its global headquarters in Hualien, Taiwan.

Starting on the day of the quake, the Tzu Chi chapter in Tokyo opened up its office as shelter, and is also providing hot meals, as well as internet connection for people to contact their family members. So far, the Tzu Chi chapter in Tokyo has provided 500 items to those who trapped on the streets of Tokyo and unable to go home during the night.

Tzu Chi volunteers have already started to assess the needs of residents who stay in the emergency shelters under the coordination of Japan officials. In the meantime, Tzu Chi global headquarters in Hualien has air freighted 5,000 blankets made of recycled PET bottles with features of warm and light-weighted and 35,000 kgs of instant rice which is ready to be served after 40-50 minutes in room temperature water or 20 minutes in hot water and 1,000 kgs of mixed nuts to Japan on March 13, 2011

Currently, all Tzu Chi volunteers in Japan are on standby to provide assistance and launched a series of street fundraising campaigns throughout the United States to help the suffering people in Japan . Dharma Master Cheng Yen, the founder of the Tzu Chi Foundation, urges everyone to pray sincerely for the suffering people in Japan.

Source at:
http://www.us.tzuchi.org/usa/home.nsf/photonews/k14066

An 8.9-magnitude earthquake on the Richter scale hit Japan on March 11 at 2:46 pm Japan time. Immediately after the quake, the Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation set up an emergency coordination center in its global headquarters. Starting this Sunday (March 13), Tzu Chi will launch a series of street fundraising campaigns throughout the United States to help the suffering people in Japan.

Starting on the day of the quake, the Tzu Chi chapter in Tokyo opened up its office as shelter, and is also providing hot meals, as well as internet connection for people to contact their family members. So far, the Tzu Chi chapter in Tokyo has provided 500 sets of goods to people who cannot return home at this moment.

Over 30,000 residents in Fukushima are now staying in shelters. Tzu Chi volunteers have already contacted shelters to assess the needs. In the meantime, Tzu Chi global headquarters in Hualien has prepared 50,000 kg of instant rice and 17,000 blankets to ship to Japan.

The Foundation is closely monitoring aftershocks and tsunamis along the Pacific Ocean. Currently, all volunteers in Japan are on standby to provide assistance. Dharma Master Cheng Yen, the founder of the Tzu Chi Foundation, urges everyone to pray sincerely for the suffering people in Japan.

PRESS RELEASE:
http://www.us.tzuchi.org/usa/home.nsf/30a14f42fce629de852570f30006b05d/160e8501c1c546c1882578390079a737?OpenDocument

US RECORD at:
https://reliefdb.org/shelters/2512

Services offered: Donations, Disaster Fund; Food, Dry, Grains, Rice * (ANY/ALL Types); Meals, Hot Meals; Meals, Shelter Served Meals (Evacuation/Emergency); Services, Tech, Internet Access; Shelter, Evacuation Shelter; Shelter, Supplies * (ANY/ALL Types); Shelter, Supplies, Blankets
Campaigns: 2011 Japan Earthquake/Tsunami/Nuclear Disasters; Tzu Chi Foundation
Updated Mar 16, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7756

OH

LTRC, Ohio Valley Unmet Needs Committee

Info/Hotline · Standby

Disaster Relief
OH
Phone 513-528-0412
Service Temporary

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

http://www.ohiovoad.org/

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

Organizations:
Ohio Valley Unmet Needs Committee

Services offered: LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice
Campaigns: Adventist Community Services Disaster Relief; American Radio Relay League, Inc.; American Red Cross; LDS ~ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee; LTRG, Long Term Recovery Group; Lutheran Disaster Response; Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response; Mennonite Disaster Service; Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Salvation Army; Society of St. Vincent de Paul; Tzu Chi Foundation; UCC ~ United Church of Christ; UMCOR Relief Network; VOAD – Voluntary Organizations Active In Disaster (this Org is a State Level Member)
Updated Aug 16, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/628

VOAD (Ohio)

Info/Hotline · Open

VOAD
OH
Web www.ohiovoad.org
Service Temporary

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CURRENT Members –
Ohio VOAD Members

Adventist Community Services
American Radio Relay League
American Red Cross– Cincinnati Chapter
Catholic Conference of Ohio
Catholic Diocese of Columbus– Social Services
Christian Reformed World Relief Committee
Church of Jesus Christ Latter–day Saints
East Ohio UMC Conference
Friends Disaster Service
Harp Ministries
Lutheran Disaster Response
Lutheran Social Services of Ohio
Mennonite Disaster Service
Northern Ohio Church of the Brethren
Ohio Community Service Council
Ohio Crisis Response Team
Ohio Council of Churches
Ohio Southern Baptist Convention
Ohio United Way
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
Salvation Army– Northeast Ohio
Society of St. Vincent dePaul – Cincinnati
Synod of the Covenant, Presbyterian USA
Taiwan Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation
Tri State County Animal Response Team
United Church of Christ– Ohio Conference
Volunteer Connection of NW Ohio
West Ohio Disaster Response Team

Info posted from 2007 –

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Finance Chair., Robert Weaver, Webmaster; Portia Pulsifer, Ohio EMA Liaison; Ohio EMA EOC Ohio VOAD Desk – 614–799–3979 also 889–7150 (Assessment Room) http://www.kentuckykarst.com/ohiovoad/pages/structure.html

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Texas Gulf Coast Regional VOAD Meeting Minutes
December 1, 2008, United Way for Greater Houston

Attending:

Linda Walker Adventist Community Services
Carolyn Shell American Red Cross
Glory Udoh Asset Building Network
Mac Udoh Asset Building Network
Mickey Pieri Catholic Charities
Brandi Brown Children's Defense Fund
Cindy Gabriel City of Houston, Hurricane Recovery
Bob White City of Houston, OEM
Henry Nielson FEMA VAL
Mardie Menke Harris County Citizens Corps/OEM
Linda Hebert Harris County Community Services Department
LeVonne Harrell Harris County Community Services Department
Stan Edde Houston Food Bank
Gloria McGowen Hurricane Ike Help Line
Mark Leonard Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)
Carol Flores Lutheran Disaster Response
Edith Nino Lutheran Inter–City Network Coalition (LINC)
Gwen Franke Lutheran Inter–City Network Coalition (LINC)
Mark Junkans Lutheran Inter–City Network Coalition (LINC)
Julie Reid Lutheran Inter–City Network Coalition (LINC)
John Bell Neighborhood Centers, Inc.
Gren Shirman Second Mile Mission Center
Earnest Dyer Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Marcela Berg State of Texas, VAL
Frank Secor, Jr. Texas Baptist Men Disaster Relief
Rolan Chambliss The Salvation Army
Morris Fountain Time Banks USA
Eddie Hilliard United Methodist Church
Sandra Ray United Way/2–1–1 Texas
Kathleen Bailey Volunteer Houston

Meeting called to order at 10:00 by Rolan Chambless

Introductions/Announcements:

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

Long Term Recovery Report:

Carol Flores reported

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

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

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

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

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

FEMA

Henry Neilson reported statistics as of 11/24/08

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

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

Standing committee chairs:

Membership Linda Hargis–Hebert, Harris County Community Services Department
Communications Carolyn Shell, American Red Cross
Education & Training Linda Walker, Adventist Community Services
Sandra Ray, United Way of Greater Houston

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

TGCR VOAD bases its mission on these four values:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Services offered: Case Management, Hurricane Survivors; Case Management, Long–Term Case Management; Case Management, * (Providers of ANY Type of Case Management); Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Support for "All" Disasters
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Partners

Adventist Community Services
Aidmatrix
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Catholic Charities
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Lutheran Social Services of the South Disaster Response
Mennonite Disaster Service
Presbyterian Church in America
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
Save The Children
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Southern Baptists of Texas Convention
Texas Baptist Men
Texas Food Bank Network
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter–day Saints (LDS Church: Emergency Response, etc.)
Tzu Chi Foundation
United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR)
United Ways of Texas (AS)

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