



Mississippi Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster
Promoting Cooperation, Communication, Coordination and Collaboration
During Disaster Preparedness, Response, Relief and Recovery

MS VOAD DISASTER RELIEF CONFERENCE CALL

Friday, May 7, 2010 – 10:00 AM CST

(800) 320-4330; PIN# 897612#

Report from Mississippi VOAD President/State EOC Desk (Sandra Braasch):

- Thanks to Jay & Pamela for taking notes
- Thanks to everyone for working from one end of the state to the other in the many areas affected by many different disasters.

Federal, State, and National Support Agencies:

MEMA – No one present

No update available

FEMA – Deb Coleman

Opened a mobile DRC in Union Co. will only be there for 4 days to do quick intakes. Subject to change as needed. Address is 921 Fairground Spur Road – New Albany, MS. Portals for registration as of close yesterday were 1,098. That number includes some counties undeclared. Funds allocated to date (Housing Funds) total 740,493.12. Other Needs Assistance total \$102,683.13. Funds allocated are for eligible applicants in declared counties. Encourage applicants to complete SBA packets to determine loan eligibility. SBA has sent out 471 applications and only 14 applications have been accepted. Those applicants denied SBA assistance are referred to FEMA again for additional assistance.

DRC 1: Yazoo, National Guard Armory 2201 Gordon Ave Yazoo City

DRC-2—Choctaw, Weir High School Gymnasium..265 Marion Kelly Drive;;Weir, MS

DRC-3- Holmes, City of Lexington Multi Purpose Complex 22521 Depot Street (Hwy 12) Lexington, MS

DRC-4- Attala, National Guard Armory, 911 Hwy 35 North Kosciusko, MS

DR-5- Warren, Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department, 15115 Hwy 465, Vicksburg, MS

DRC-6- Holmes, Ebenezer Fire Department, 619 Hwy 14, Lexington, MS

DRC-7- New Hope Volunteer Fire Dept, 1243 Hwy 179A, Westville, MS

MS COMMISSION FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE – Susan Gregerson

Had 41 volunteers in Yazoo Co. yesterday. 1 volunteer in Holmes, 31 in Choctaw/Attala Cos. At least one AmeriCorps team in each co. continuing to do work orders. Heavy equipment needed now. RAI, United Methodists, LESM is bringing in heavy equipment. Assemblies of God has some they may can bring.

Volunteer Reception Center Locations:

Yazoo County: NEW LOCATION National Guard Armory, 2201 Gordon Avenue, Yazoo City --- Register in person or call 888-353-1793, open at 8:00 am daily.

Holmes County (also serving Choctaw and Attala County): Ebenezer Volunteer Fire Department, Intersection of HWY 14 & Ebenezer Road, Ebenezer --- Register in person, call 314-791-5790 or email acstlholmes@gmail.com.

Tippah/Benton Counties: Ashland Volunteer Fire Department, 60 4th Street, Ashland --- To volunteer, register in person, call 662-607-6081 for Benton County or 662-607-6213 for Tippah County, or email volunteernorthms@gmail.com.

MS DEPT OF HEALTH – No one present

No report available

MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH – No one present

No report available

NATIONAL VOAD – No one present

Will be at conf next week, but will be available.

Regional VOADs:

SOUTH MISSISSIPPI VOAD – Jon Biggs

Oil Spill called will be held separate at 1 PM on the same conference call line.

Mississippi VOAD Member Reports:

ASCPA – No one present

No report available

ADVENTIST COMMUNITY SERVICES – Ray Elsberry

Waiting to see what is going on and if they are needed.

AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE – No one present

No report available

AMERICAN RED CROSS – Anna Lisa

Total of 6 client in Corinth shelter last night. Case management in process. 13 ERVs doing mobile feeding.

Completed all other casework in Attala, Holes, and Choctaw. No additional death or injuries. 6 Mental Health teams out – 2 persons per team.

ASSESMBLIES OF GOD DISASTER RESPONSE – Robert Bingham

On ground in Abbeyville, Ashland, and Walnut. Working debris cleanup. Southern Baptists in northern areas, but haven't seen many other groups there. Opening a center in Corinth to take work orders and bring in products to help with mold remediation.

CAN – No one present

No report available.

CRWRC – No one present

Monitoring situation. Have a cleanup crew available for deployment. Please let Fred know if needed

CATHOLIC CHARITIES – Bonita Robertson

Disbursements in Weir and Yazoo. Intakes will continue today in Ripley, Ashland, and Corinth.

CITY TEAM MINISTRIES – No one present

No report available

DISABILITY RIGHTS MS – No one present

Monitoring the situation

GULF COAST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION – Jay Huffstatler

Monitoring the situation

HANDS ON DISASTER RESPONSE – No one present

No report available.

IRD – Pamela Roberts

Possibly sending case manager to Yazoo city area. Working out details.

LUTHERAN EPISCOPAL SERVICES IN MISSISSIPPI – Sandra Braasch, Mike Huseth

Primary focus on Yazoo and Holmes co. Working through local folks setting up volunteer housing. Camp Swayze – on County Barn Road under water tower. Shower trailer with washer/dryer. People can bring own food and grill.

MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICES – No one present

MS MDS Unit has connected with Ashley Williams in the Weir area. Some cleanup has already happened and we plan to send in more equipment and chainsaw operators if needed.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST DISASTER RELIEF – Don Gann

Yazoo and Choctaw area work going on as well as Walnut area. Prepared about 10,000 meals in Walnut area.

Numerous recovery teams (blue roof and chainsaw) in area. Teams working out of First Baptist in Yazoo City.

Working at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church and several other churches. Feeding unit in Walnut this week thru this Sunday and will close at that point. Chainsaw teams at Harmony Bapt. Church in Walnut. Some teams on standby in Corinth.

MISSISSIPPI COAST IDTF – No one present

No report available

MISSISSIPPI UNITED METHODIST DISASTER RELIEF – Wayne Napier

United Methodists are working on a warehouse for donations and have a site we hope to be operational sometime next week. We will be work with our VOAD partners in this effort. I have spoken with MCVS and SBA about cooperative efforts and we will have more info to come.

OPERATION BLESSING – No one present

No report available

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA – No one present

No report available

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE – Sandra Price

We are gathering a team to come in to assist with organizing for long term recovery. We will work with our partners to assess the need for long-term volunteer housing. We are available for doing emotional and spiritual care, training in

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emotional and spiritual care, and conducting Care for Caregivers and Compassion Fatigue sessions when the time is right.

RAI – Maria Morris

Set up location at Church of Christ. 3 construction guys on ground taking work orders. One bobcat there, another one the way. Interested in LTR and case management process.

R3SM – No one present

No report available

SAVE THE CHILDREN – No one present

No report available

THE SALVATION ARMY – Bill Feist

Alcorn Co. – Corinth: 177 homes affected by flooding. Feeding at shelters. Evacuated 150-200 out of an apt. complex. Will be out at least a month until apts. are repaired. Providing cleaning kits, food, and limited financial assistance out of Corinth Center. In Tippah Co. in Walnut offering same services. In same area as past in Yazoo Co. offering apts. only by calling 601.982.4881

UNITED WAY/MISSISSIPPI 2-1-1 – Shannon Smothers

No report available.

UNITED WAY/VOLUNTEER GULF COAST – No one present

No report available

UNITED WAY WORLDWIDE – No one present

Other Agencies Reports:

DISASTER NEWS NETWORK – No one present.

No report available

SAMARITANS PURSE – No one present

No report available.

CHILDRENS DISASTER SERVICES – No one present

No report available

CHURCH WORLD SERVICE – No one present

No report available

CONVOY OF HOPE – No one present

No report available.

SOUTH EAST CHURCH OF CHRIST- No one present

No report available

VOLUNTEER FLORIDA- No one present

No report available

MENTAL HEALTH- No one present

No report available.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS – Pat Brock, Wes Jones

No report available

OTHER INFORMATION:

- Please get the information that Sandra sent out in email on Sunday am back to her so she can compile a list of resources.

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL:

- Wednesday, May 12, 2010 – 10:00 AM CST
- 800.320.4330; PIN: 897612#

- Monday, May 17, 2010 – 10:00 AM CST
- 800.320.4330; PIN: 897612#