



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

SPECIAL CALLED MEMBERS MEETING
Ike and Gustav Activities

Wednesday, September 12, 2008 – 11:00 AM

Roll Call, then reports from agencies:

Report from Mississippi VOAD President (Jay Huffstatler):

- Agencies continue to send information to Jay for distribution to ensure everyone knows everything available. Big thanks to everyone for all their hard work. Sometimes impossible, but please respond to urgent information requests and needs for information as quickly as possible.
- Please send AidMatrix requests to Jay if you do not have a portal login.
- **Conference Call Schedule:**
Monday, September 15, 11 AM CST
Conference Call Number: **800.320.4330 – PIN: 897612#**
Conference Call line is reserved through next week should it be needed for Ike.
- If you desire to be added to the Mississippi VOAD distribution list, e-mail Jay directly or visit the Mississippi VOAD website (www.msvoad.org) and e-mail him directly from the website.

Report from Mississippi VOAD State EOC Desk (Sandra Price):

State EOC is partially staffed -VOAD has not been asked to man seat as of now.

Federal, State, and National Support Agencies:

MEMA – Allen Roark

Wait and see mode – Level 2 EOC activation (select agencies). Monitoring the situation. Will relay any needs for evacuation. Concerns of TX and Houma residents evacuated to this area. Continuing Gustav recovery.

FEMA – Marian Wingo, Heather King, Suzanne Calvert

Suzie – 3 shelters open last night – total of 42 population. Jackson Co. shelter closed.

Waiting on declaration for Gustav. Talked about HRCs on coasts handled resident request needs.

MS COMMISSION FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE – Susan Gregerson, David Mallery

On call to assist as needed.

MS DEPT OF HEALTH – No one present on call

No report available

MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH – No one present on call

Contacted Humane Society of South MS regarding opening pet-friendly shelter. No request for pet shelters has been made. At the request of Harrison Co, HSSM can open a shelter at Harrison Co. High School.

NATIONAL VOAD – No one present on call

No report available

Regional VOADs:

SOUTH MISSISSIPPI VOAD – No one present on call

No report available.

Mississippi VOAD Members and Other Agencies:

AMERICAN BAPTIST MEN – No one present on call

No report available

ASCPA – No one present on call

No report available

ADVENTIST COMMUNITY SERVICES – No one present on call

No report available.

AME CHURCH – No one present on call.

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No report available

AMERICAN RED CROSS – Warren Miller, Bill Brent

Warren – in activation at State EOC to assist as needed.

Bill – still has 2 shelters – Lagniappe Church in Bay St. Louis and sheltering anyone from anywhere. Getting called from LA and TX. 150 capacity still remaining. Harrison Co. facility open, not anticipating Harrison Co. EMA to want to keep open after high tides today. Waiting to hear from Harrison Co. EMA>

BAY AREA FOOD BANK – No one present on call

No report available

CAN – Lesli Netter

Portal is still open for summer storms, including Ike. ARC information is on portal. Any clients in Katrina portal, please use the new summer storms portal. Send questions to support@can.org. Community calendar is active – Mississippi events and trainings are on calendar.

CRWRC – No one present on call

Bill Adams reported through National VOAD Fred & Mary Visser have been assigned for Mississippi Gustav relief.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES – No one present on call

No report available

CITY TEAM MINISTRIES – No one present on call

No report available

GULF COAST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION – Jay Huffstatler

Fund set-up to accept any donations for relief needs. Can refer to www.mgcof.org

HANDS – No one present on call

No report available

HANDS ON DISASTER RESPONSE – No one present on call.

We have not deployed an assessment team and do not plan to for Gustav unless we hear of a significant pocket of need / damage. We are currently engaged in a very successful flood relief project in Cedar Rapids, Iowa but will continue to monitor the storms on the horizon and their impact.

IRD – No one present on call

No report available.

LUTHERAN EPISCOPAL SERVICES IN MISSISSIPPI – Jon Biggs, Sandra Braasch

No new report .

MISSISSIPPI ASSEMBLIES OF GOD – Robert Bingham

Moved teams in from LA to assist with Ike.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST DISASTER RELIEF – No one present on call

No report available

MISSISSIPPI COAST IDTF –Roberta Avila, John Hosey

No new reports - Standing by to assist as needed. Has warehouse space and staff available.

MISSISSIPPI UNITED METHODIST DISASTER RELIEF – C. J. Cauffield

Continuing with plan on coast with camps. Many requests from Greenville area. Met with leaders and EMA folks. Flooding needs still there. If anyone has resources there or wants to form a LTRC, please let C. J. know.

OPERATION BLESSING – No one present on call

No report available

OPERATION HOPE – Alex Stayton

No report available.

OXFAM – No one present on call

No report available

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA – No one present on call

No report available

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE – Sandra Price

No new report.

RAI – John Wilson

Still has volunteers on ground responding to Gustav in Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

THE SALVATION ARMY – Mary Ann Parrish

Mary Ann – on stand-by. Has crews in Houma and Baton Rouge.

Brandi – currently working with Harrison Co. and Hancock Co. EOC feeding first responders.

UNITED WAY/MISSISSIPPI 2-1-1 – Cathy Young

Receiving calls regarding shelters on coast – specifically pet-friendly. ASPCA is looking for potential locations, but at this time, no pet-friendly shelters are available.

UNITED WAY/VOLUNTEER GULF COAST – Markus Jones

Opened temporary volunteer reception center at the Hancock Co. Housing Resource Center. Has been closed to lack of unaffiliated volunteers. Actively recruiting volunteers for any relief activities needed.

WORLD VISION – Audrey Black

On stand-by. Distributing products in relief to Gustav.

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