



**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**  
Monday, September 15, 2008 – 11:00 AM

Roll Call, then reports from agencies:

**Report from Mississippi VOAD President (Jay Huffstatter):**

- 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.
- **Texas VOAD Information:**  
**If you wish to be a declared Voluntary Agency assisting in Ike recovery in Texas, you MUST contact Kelley Adams ([Kelley@onestarfoundation.org](mailto:Kelley@onestarfoundation.org) or 512.424.2228) or Molley Woolford (512.372.9207) Texas VOAD calls will commence today at 1 PM CST. (866.812.0462, PIN 960780#)**
- 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](http://www.msvoad.org)) and e-mail him directly from the website.
- Next Meeting – October 14 – Habitat for Humanity MS Gulf Coast Affiliate Office – Biloxi, MS – 10 AM
- Thank you for all your hard work!!!

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

State EOC is not active

**Federal, State, and National Support Agencies:**

**MEMA** – Allen Roark

Waiting on declaration from FEMA. Do not have location secured for DRC in Harrison County. Any ideas or suggestions, please let him know.

**FEMA** – Suzie Calvert

Patiently waiting on a declaration.

**MS COMMISSION FOR VOLUNTEER SERVICE** – Susan Gregerson

No new report. Mentioned the Art for Service Fair, please let them know.

**MS DEPT OF HEALTH** – No one present on call

No report available

**MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH** – No one present on call

No new report

**NATIONAL VOAD** – No one present on call

No report available

**Regional VOADs:**

**SOUTH MISSISSIPPI VOAD** – Jon Biggs

No new report.

**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.

No report available

**AMERICAN RED CROSS** – Warren Miller, Bill Brent

Warren – gearing down operation in Hattiesburg. Staff being deployed to provide Ike assistance. Looking to MEMA for assistance for those in MEMA cottages that had damage.

Bill – currently have one shelter open in Hancock Co. most of local residents were in MEMA or FEMA housing. Only a few folks from TX.

**BAY AREA FOOD BANK** – Lannie Shearls

Waiting on declaration to request American Second Harvest.

**CAN** – No one present on call

No report available

**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** – Donna Tente, Cindy Cheeks

Continuing work this weekend. Ike brought a little more work – mainly in Kiln/Jordan River Estates area. Most homes had 4-5 feet of water. Did muck-out work and debris pick-up.

**GULF COAST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION** – Jay Huffstatler

Fund set-up to accept any donations for relief needs. Can refer to [www.mgccf.org](http://www.mgccf.org)

**HANDS** – Cindy Cheeks

Recruiting teams to work in Bay St. Louis area. Working with City Team to assess Ike damage.

**HANDS ON DISASTER RESPONSE** – No one present on call.

No new report

**IRD** – No one present on call

No report available.

**LUTHERAN EPISCOPAL SERVICES IN MISSISSIPPI** – Jon Biggs

No new report .

**MISSISSIPPI ASSEMBLIES OF GOD** – No one present on call

No report available.

**MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST DISASTER RELIEF** – No one present on call

No new report.

**MISSISSIPPI COAST IDTF** – John Hosey

No new reports

**MISSISSIPPI UNITED METHODIST DISASTER RELIEF** –

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** – Alix Stayton

Still have clients looking for financial resources to get home.

**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** – No one present on call

No report available

**THE SALVATION ARMY** – No one present on call

No new report

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

No new report. Still having requests for financial assistance – travel and lodging.

**UNITED WAY/VOLUNTEER GULF COAST** –

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

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