TETON COUNTY VOAD

Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

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Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Community Resource Center

Cornerstone Church

Habitat for Humanity of the Greater Teton Area

Jackson Cupboard

Jackson Elks Lodge #1713

Jackson Hole Community Counseling Center

Jackson Hole Horse Rescue

National Museum of Wildlife Art

PAWS of Jackson Hole

Presbyterian Church

Redeemer Lutheran Church

Rotary Club of Jackson Hole

Salvation Army – Jackson Unit

Shepherd of the Mountain Lutheran Church

St. John's Episcopal Church

Teton County Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

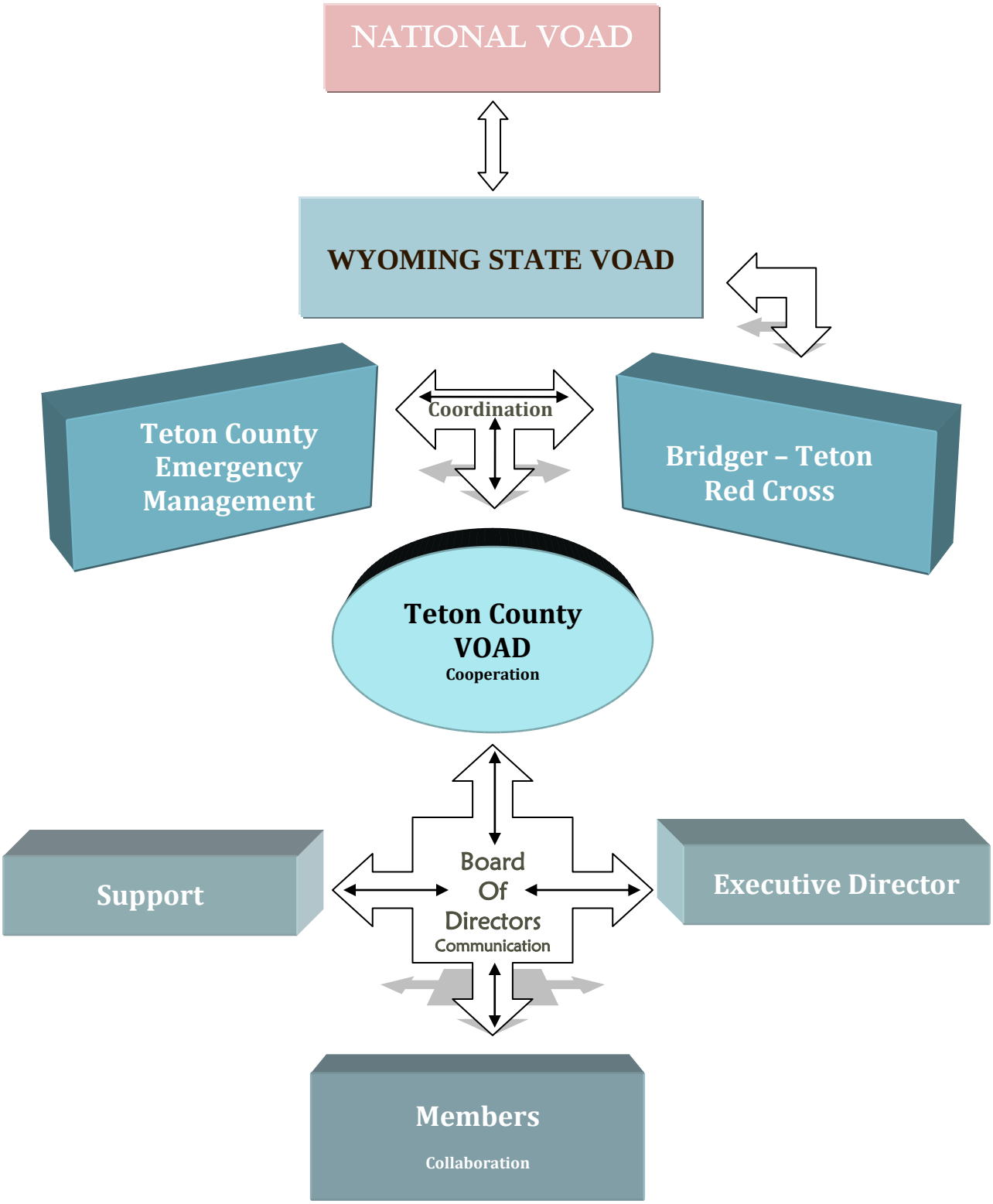
Teton County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES)

Teton County Systems of Care

Teton Valley Seventh-Day Adventist Church

WY Department of Workforce Services—Jackson Workforce Center

Organization Chart



ALLIANCES
American Red Cross and Teton County Emergency Management

AMERICAN RED CROSS

American Red Cross is a member of the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD). Through its national membership the American Red Cross Chief of Operations for the State of Wyoming can link state and local VOAD groups into the national movement. American Red Cross is the sponsor for Teton County VOAD. Our working contact is the Bridger-Teton Branch Director.

American Red Cross offers training for volunteers along with expertise in disaster relief.

AUTONOMOUS

While Teton County VOAD is accountable to the American Red Cross we are an autonomous group of non-profits, community, and faith-based organizations that come together to help a community organize itself before disasters occur. We adhere to our Bylaws and Mission Statement "to foster more effective service to the people of Teton County affected by disaster."

Teton County Emergency Management is a Managing Member and offers guidance to the Teton County VOAD.

TETON COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (TCEM)

Our efforts are guided by and folded into the Teton County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). We have been tasked by TCEM to uncover missing services in the disaster plan, formulate a plan to mitigate same, and let the public know what is needed. Our purpose is to communicate, collaborate, and organize these efforts so there is no duplication in services.

Emergency Managers have long known that disaster response, and especially recovery, cannot be handled by the local, state, or even federal government alone. In order to get a community back onto its feet following a catastrophe, a coordinated response by government, non-profits, and volunteer organizations is crucial. Many states, counties, and communities across the country have achieved this coordinated response through *Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)* groups. The mission of these groups is to bring varying volunteer organizations to the table in disaster planning. These groups volunteer to fill the voids in disaster services to best help the community in a coordinated manner.

The Teton County VOAD group was formed to assist Teton County Emergency Management in making Teton County better prepared for potential disasters. The goal of the organizations that belong to TC VOAD is to generate volunteers, help guide them to the best organization or group where they can contribute their expertise, and connect them with training facilitators.

An additional goal as we become prepared is to build resilience into our community's disaster recovery scheme.

HISTORY: 43 Years of Service

Forty-three years ago, in response to the challenges many disaster organizations experienced following Hurricane Camille, seven national disaster organizations met to find a better way to coordinate their responses and be more effective.

Since the founding in 1970, VOAD has grown to 108 member organizations throughout all 50 states, 4 territories and the District of Columbia. They are guided by the "4 C's" and work to fulfill the mission of a more effective service to people affected by disaster.

1. Communication - We maintain effective channels for sharing information and listen carefully to each other.
2. Coordination - We commit to work together, to utilize resources to accomplish a set of goals.
3. Cooperation - We need each other and recognize the value of working together with a common purpose.
4. Collaboration - Member Organizations establish shared goals and actively work together for preparedness and during disasters.

Up until then, numerous governmental, private sector and nonprofit organizations served disaster survivors independently of one another. Survivors were not able to get access to the information on help and services available to them. There was little to no communication between the organizations wanting and trying to help.

Unnecessary duplication of effort often occurred, while other needs were not met. People wanting to volunteer to help those affected by the disaster were often frustrated by the variety of organizations helping in "some areas of service" or the total lack of opportunities to help other urgent needs. Training available to potential volunteers was limited, and without training, the opportunities to serve were limited during a disaster.

As an outcome, National VOAD shares knowledge and coordinates resources……money, materials, and manpower…..throughout the disaster cycle…….working on preparation, response, recovery, and resiliency.

Mission

National VOAD is the forum where organizations share knowledge and resources throughout the disaster cycle – preparation, response and recovery – to help disaster survivors and their communities.

"The purpose of the corporation shall be to foster more effective service to people affected by disaster through communication, coordination, cooperation, collaboration, convening mechanisms and outreach." – *National VOAD Bylaws* Core Principles -

"The purpose and objective of the Teton County VOAD shall be to foster more effective service to the people of Teton County affected by disaster through communication, coordination, cooperation, and collaboration with Teton County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) directed by Teton County Emergency Management."

- Teton County VOAD Bylaws -

Initial Objectives

1. Identify local volunteer/non-profit organizations interested in disaster preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation.

2. Bring organizations together for an initial meeting to discuss the VOAD concept, create Vision/Mission statements, and set up regular meetings.

3. Once groups are identified and part of Teton County VOAD, let the community know which agencies are part of the VOAD, what their specialties are, and how they can volunteer and be a part of the Teton County Emergency plan <u>before</u> a disaster strikes.

4. Coordinate information from the Teton County VOAD organizations into the Teton County Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and American Red Cross.

5. Guide volunteers to the correct agency for education. Report to TCEM updating the list of organizations and volunteers participating in VOAD to maintain a high level of readiness.

Ongoing Objectives

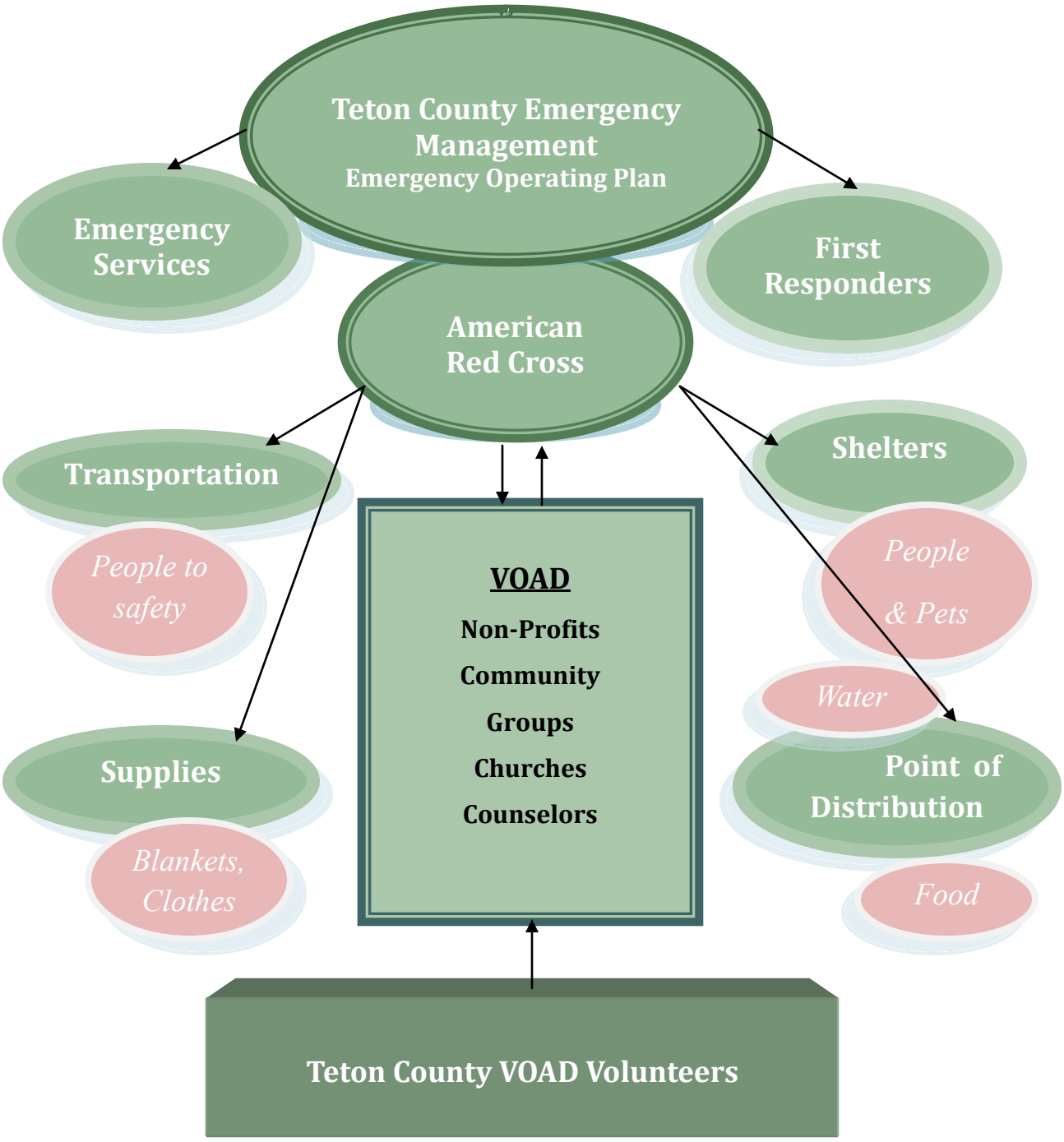
1. **Build resilience into disaster recovery.**
2. **Regularly review adequacy of disaster services.**
3. **Make community aware of disaster preparedness.**
4. **Bring volunteer opportunities during disasters to the attention of the community.**

Our work is to organize volunteers prior to a disaster.

Teton County VOAD is not an emergency/first response agency.

WHEN DISASTER STRIKES

Wildfire ● Flood ● Blizzard ● Earthquake ● Power Outage ● Solar Flare ● Avalanche



Mass Care

Shelter for People and Pets

- **With Red Cross and Teton County Emergency Management research local resources for shelters.**
- **Teton County will determine if a location has space to accommodate public sheltering, determine suitability from Environmental Health standards, and Fire Inspectors will determine capacity.**
- **Investigate resources for sheltering, care and feeding of pets.**

Shelter Training

- **Connect volunteers with training facilitators to introduce them to shelter management. Shelter volunteers will be required to have appropriate background checks and Red Cross training.**

Kitchen and Food Preparation

- **Research industrial kitchen/feeding locations for the public, to include food preparation area and dining area. Best co-located with a shelter, but may not always be possible. There may be situations where people do not need shelter, but do need food services.**
- **If an organization has space to accommodate kitchen/feeding, Teton County will order a preliminary review by Environmental Health and the Fire Inspectors.**

Kitchen Training

- **Identify educational organizations that can provide training in food preparation to all Volunteers interested in helping staff a kitchen/feeding location. Teton County Public Health must approve all such facilities.**

Logistical Support

Supplies

- **Collaborate with Teton County Emergency Management and Public Health to identify supply needs, distribution of medicine and medical supplies, mass care supply storage, transportation, inventory processes, rotation of stock, and call-out procedures.**

Storage

- **Research locations for long term storage of non-perishable mass care items such as cots, blankets, hygiene kits, etc.**
- **Research locations for storage of semi-perishable mass care items such as canned food, sealed water, etc.**
- **Identify Volunteers with support vehicles to transport mass care items to/from storage areas/donation collection points to mass care locations.**

Inventory Training

- **Identify educational organizations to train Volunteers in management of storage goods, to occasionally rotate stock, take inventory, and ensure readiness of stored mass care items.**

Volunteers

- **Encourage volunteers to sign up with organizations involved in disaster preparation and recovery.**

Donation Management

Food, Cots, Blankets, Hygiene Items Management

- **Direct interested Volunteer Organizations to Teton County Emergency Management/Red Cross for needs and how best to develop a Donations Management plan to handle spontaneous donations of goods and services from the public after a disaster.**

Donations

- **Help Red Cross work on a list of interested local retailers that would want to donate needed disaster supplies, such as canned foods, sealed water, cots, blankets, hygiene items, etc. before a disaster strikes.**

Donation Management Training

- **Identify educational organizations that can train Volunteers to support a Donations Management plan and to work closely with mass care/storage sites to distribute donations.**

Counseling Services

Trained Counselors

- **Teton County Emergency Management with Teton County Public Health will approve Counseling Service Volunteers.**

CONTACT INFORMATION - Support

American Red Cross
24hr Disaster Phone - 307-222-8ARC (307-222-8272)
1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767) www.redcross.org/wyoming

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307-413-7961 office www.cornerstonejh.com

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307-734-4463 fax www.tetonhabitat.org

Jackson Cupboard
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Jackson, WY 83001 jacksoncupboard.org

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www.tetonvalleysda.com

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307-739-8570 fax
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Web Resources

American Red Cross……www.redcross.org/wyoming

American Red Cross – Ready Rating…….www.readyrating.org

Census and Demographic Information…….http://factfinder2.census.gov

Centers for Disease Control & Prevention……emergency.cdc.gov/disasters/psa

FEMA Federal Emergency Management Agency..... www.fema.gov

FEMA – Are you Ready Guide……www.ready.gov/are-you-ready-guide

FEMA – Create Your Emergency Plan……www.ready.gov/make-a-plan

FEMA- Plan, Prepare & Mitigate……www.fema.gov/plan-prepare-mitigate

FEMA – Prepare for Severe Weather……www.ready.gov/severe-weather

FEMA-Training Site……http://training.fema.gov/is/

FLASH (Federal Alliance for Safe Homes)……www.flash.org

Incident Information System……www.inciweb.org/

Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety……www.disastersafety.org

National Flood Insurance Program ……http://www.floodsmart.gov/

National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (National VOAD)……www.nvoad.org

NOAA National Weather Service……www.weather.gov

NOAA Lightning Safety……www.lightningsafety.noaa.gov

NOAA Weather Safety Publications……www.nws.noaa.gov/os/brochures.shtml

Teton County Emergency Management……www.tetonwyo.org/em/

Teton County VOAD…… www.tetonwyo.org/voad

Teton County Fire Evacuation Plan……tetonwyo.org/fire/docs/FireEvac%20EditforWebsite.pdf

USGS Earthquake Hazards Program…… http://earthquake.usgs.gov/

Wyoming Volunteer Registry – WYeROLL……http://vol.woming.gov

National VOAD

Voluntary Organizations
Active in Disaster

National Members

The following are our National Member organizations, listed in alphabetical order:

Subject to Change – Not All-Inclusive

ACTS World Relief unites, trains, and equips responders in emergency response and community service, demonstrating the compassion of God, regardless of race and religion.

Adventist Community Services (ACS) is the humanitarian arm of the Seventh-Day Adventist Church of North America. ACS Disaster Response (ACS DR) a leading in-kind donations management organization in the U.S., specializing in the handling of undesignated donated goods. ACS DR operates under agreements with FEMA, the American Red Cross, the Aidmatrix Foundation, and over 40 states.

All Hands Volunteers, Inc. provides hands-on assistance to survivors of natural disasters around the world, with maximum impact and minimum bureaucracy. By supporting volunteers with housing, meals, tools, and organized work at no charge, All Hands is able to provide free and effective response services to communities in need. Programs are directed by the needs of each community in which it works, ensuring a timely, relevant, and culturally sensitive response.

Alliance of Information and Referral Systems (AIRS) provide leadership and support to members and affiliates to advance the capacity of a standards-driven information and referral industry that brings people and services together.

American Radio Relay League, Inc. is the national association for amateur radio with over 157,000 members in the U.S. For 100 years, amateur radio operators have provided communications when normal means are down or overloaded.

The American Red Cross is a humanitarian organization led by volunteers and guided by its Congressional charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement that provides relief to survivors of disasters and helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

AmeriCares is a non-profit emergency response and global health organization. In times of epic disaster or daily struggle, we deliver medical and humanitarian aid to people in need worldwide.

Billy Graham Rapid Response Team was established following the attacks of September 11, 2001, to train qualified volunteers as crisis chaplains and deploy them to effectively meet the emotional and spiritual needs of those suffering from major disasters.

Brethren Disaster Ministries restores hope for the most vulnerable disaster survivors by engaging volunteers to repair and rebuild storm-damaged homes, and by providing grants to support the disaster recovery efforts of faith-based partners. Children Disaster Services (CDS) meets the needs of children by setting up child care centers in shelters and disaster assistance centers. Specially trained to respond to traumatized children, volunteers provide a calm, safe, and reassuring presence. CDS also educates parents and caregivers on how to help children cope.

Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation is an international volunteer-led charitable organization that provides humanitarian aid, spiritual care, and medical services to individuals, families, and communities locally and internationally. Tzu Chi Foundation, U.S.A. focuses on four major areas: charitable, medical, education, and humanistic cultural services.

Catholic Charities USA has a mission to provide services to people in need, to advocate for justice in social structures, and to call the entire church and other people of good will to do the same. CCUSA local agencies' disaster relief and recovery services include emergency food, shelter, direct financial assistance, counseling, and support.

Churches of Scientology Disaster Response provides spiritual care as well as assists with the unmet material needs of survivors, responders, and care givers who are affected by trauma, loss, upset, stress, and confusion after a disaster. This is accomplished in a variety of ways immediately following an incident. CSDR volunteers also assist other disaster organizations in need of volunteers to carry out their tasks.

Church World Service Emergency Response Program has a mission to provide effective and compassionate response to the physical, psychological, and spiritual needs of persons and communities affected by natural and human-caused disasters. CWS focuses on both immediate emergency assistance and long-term support that helps survivors take ownership of the recovery process.

City Team Ministries International Disaster Response began after the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake to shelter and care for survivors. CityTeam International is a non-denominational Christian organization.

Convoy of Hope is a faith-based organization with a mission to feed the world through children's feeding initiatives, community outreach, disaster response, and partner resourcing. Convoy of Hope's Disaster is considered a first responder organization, with a fleet of tractor-trailers, a 300,000 square-foot warehouse, and a high-tech mobile command center. It uses its points of distribution model to provide resources and help to disaster survivors.

Cooperative Baptist Fellowship is not a disaster relief organization but responds when major disasters strike through its own resources or partner organizations. The model for its disaster response ministries is a long-term presence to help communities recover and rebuild. When gift-in-kind donations are helpful in disaster relief, the Fellowship serves as a clearinghouse, matching a donor with a need in the disaster zone. It may establish a designated fund to which churches can financially contribute for a specific disaster. When volunteers are needed, the Fellowship invites individuals and groups to apply for service opportunities.

Episcopal Relief and Development is an international relief and development agency serving on behalf of the Episcopal Church of the United States. When disaster strikes, it helps: deliver life-saving supplies such as medicine, blankets, and food for emergency shelters or camps; provide shelter along with trauma counseling and psycho-social services to survivors; repair and construct homes, schools, health clinics, roads, water systems, and community centers to replace those destroyed; residents restore the social and economic fabric of their communities by providing educational opportunities and improving access to legal services and home ownership; and train and equip local churches to prepare for and respond to disasters.

Feeding America has a mission to feed America's hungry through a nationwide network of member food banks and to engage in the fight to end hunger. Feeding America collects, transports, warehouses, and distributes food and personal care items through its national network of food banks. It prepositions emergency food and personal care items at strategically designated locations throughout the country and regularly cycles the inventory to ensure freshness and safety.

Feed the Children is a Christian international nonprofit relief organization whose mission is to deliver food, medicine, clothing, and other necessities to families who lack these essentials due to famine, war, poverty, or natural disaster.

Habitat for Humanity International brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope.

Headwaters Relief Organization is a disaster relief collaboration of volunteers that support both the emotional and housing rehabilitation needs of families and communities ravaged by disaster.

HOPE Animal-Assisted Crisis Response provides comfort and encouragement through animal-assisted support to individuals affected by crises and disasters.

Hope Coalition America (Operation Hope) helps clients recover financially from natural disasters, foreclosures, and other emergencies by providing financial guidance to victims of such disasters. Operation HOPE, an organization skilled at mobilizing volunteers from the financial services industry, through its Hope Coalition America division offers highly versatile and rapidly-deployable resources to help people needing financial guidance before, during and after disasters.

HOPE worldwide, ltd is an international charity. It works with partners such as the American Red Cross to help prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies and keep hope alive, uses a large international volunteer base with centers on six continents, and takes steps to provide community-based, long term and sustainable assistance.

Humane Society of the United States Emergency Services Animal Rescue Team supports local animal control and humane organizations and government agencies in the rescue, transport, and emergency sheltering of animals if invited by local authorities who have been exhausted or overwhelmed by the disaster. Using trained staff and volunteers in an ICS-structured team, the Humane Society works cooperatively with other disaster response agencies to ensure that families and animals, and animals alone, are brought from harm and given care and shelter until they can be returned to their homes.

ICNA Relief USA seeks to alleviate human suffering by providing caring, compassionate, and practical assistance to survivors of natural and man-made disasters, in the United States. They strive to accurately represent Islamic values and compassion, serving humanity regardless of race, religion, or culture.

Islamic Relief USA Since its inception, one of Islamic Relief's primary goals has been to provide rapid relief for disaster victims. Partnerships in some three dozen countries maximize Islamic Relief's ability to respond to urgent situations with speed and efficiency, as well as cultural sensitivity. Islamic Relief's emergency aid efforts often include the distribution of food, water and clothing; the construction of temporary shelters; and the administration of vital medical care.

International Critical Incident Stress Foundation Inc. (ICISF) is dedicated to the prevention and mitigation of disabling stress through the provision of education, training, and support services for all emergency services professionals; continuing education and training in emergency mental health services for the mental health community; and consultation in the establishment of crisis and disaster response programs for varied organizations and communities worldwide.

International Relief and Development is committed to reduce the suffering of the world's most vulnerable groups and provide the tools and/or resources needed to increase their self-sufficiency. IRD Relief & Humanitarian Assistance teams are first responders. They respond to immediate needs and then continue support through critical recovery and rehabilitation phases.

The Jewish Federations of North America is an umbrella organization that mobilizes financial and social resources through its philanthropic endeavors, strategic initiatives, and international agencies to strengthen the Jewish people.

Latter-day Saints Charities strive to provide immediate assistance following disasters. The Church provides food and other relief supplies as needed.

Lutheran Disaster Response promotes hope, healing, and wholeness for disaster survivors.

Mennonite Disaster Service is a volunteer network of Anabaptist churches that responds to those affected by disaster in Canada and the United States. While the main focus is on clean up, repair, and rebuilding homes, this service touches lives and nurtures hope, faith, and wholeness.

Mercy Medical Airlift ensures that no needy patient is denied access to distant specialized medical evaluation, diagnosis, or treatment for lack of a means of long-distance medical air transportation; and of urgent transportation in situations of compelling human need and homeland security emergencies.

National Association of Jewish Chaplains (NAJC) is a professional organization of Jewish chaplains, promoting the highest standards of training, certification, and delivery of care.

National Baptist Convention USA seeks to lessen the impact of disasters and potential catastrophic incidents by meeting the needs of communities through preparedness and mitigation, increasing a community's ability to respond when a disaster occurs while reducing the effects of unavoidable emergencies**.**

National Organization for Victim Assistance (NOVA) champions dignity and compassion for victims of crime and crisis. It provides training for crime victim advocates and crisis responders in a trauma mitigation protocol as well as staffing a toll-free victim assistance telephone line and educating political leaders on policy issues.

Nazarene Disaster Response is Nazarenes mobilizing for disasters through readiness, response, and recovery. Local Nazarenes serve and remain with disaster victims in their own neighborhoods. In large-scale events the denomination can assist local efforts with the support of volunteers and donors from across the country and through partnerships with other disaster relief agencies. Nazarenes concentrate assist on the poor, elderly, and handicapped.

NECHAMA - Jewish Response to Disaster is a voluntary organization providing cleanup and recovery assistance to homes and communities affected by natural disasters. Guided by the Jewish value of Tikkum Olam (repairing the world) through acts of goodness, NECHAMA (Hebrew for comfort) offers a helping hand in the spirit of goodwill and creating mutual respect among all people. NECHAMA volunteers assess storm damage; sandbag; chain saw and remove fallen trees; pump flood water from rooms and basements; remove contaminated building materials, appliances and personal effects; sanitize and dry surfaces to prevent mold growth; and otherwise prepare homes to be re-occupied by the owners so that fix-up and reconstruction may begin.

Noah's Wish has the singular mission to save animals during disasters with its rescue and recovery services and to mitigate the impact of disasters on animals through educational and outreach programs.

Operation Blessing has a mission to demonstrate God's love by alleviating human suffering in the United States and around the world through core programs of disaster relief, medical aid, hunger relief, orphan care, water wells, and community development.

Points of Light Action Networks reach distinct groups with the tools and resources they need to engage people as change agents. These include: HandsOn Network, the largest network of 250 local volunteer centers across the country and around the world; generationOn, the youth service movement that ignites the power of kids to make their mark on the world; AmeriCorps Alums, the national service alumni network that activates the next generation of service leaders; and Points of Light Corporate Institute, our enterprise that enables companies to engage their employees and customers in volunteer service.

Presbyterian Church in America - Mission North America provides support to PCA churches in disaster-affected communities through a network of staff and volunteer damage assessment teams, first response teams, site managers, and key leaders. MNA recruits and mobilizes volunteers, receives and distributes supplies and equipment, brings awareness of specific needs, channels raised recovery funds, focuses prayer, and provides spiritual encourage to PCA families and their communities.

Presbyterian Church U.S.A. - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is an emergency and refugee program focusing on the long term recovery of disaster impacted communities. Volunteer work teams help families rebuild and restore their homes or to do other disaster recovery work.

Rebuilding Together brings volunteers and communities together to improve the homes and lives of low-income homeowners. It provides critical home repairs, extensive rehabilitation, modifications and improvements for America's low-income homeowners. Rebuilding Together rebuilds the homes and lives of the nation's most vulnerable homeowners and families

Samaritan's Purse is a non-denominational Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. It specializes in meeting critical needs for victims of war, disaster, famine, and epidemics in the world's most troubled regions.

Save the Children is the leading independent organization for children. When disaster strikes around the world, Save the Children is there to save lives with food, medical care, and education, and remains to help communities rebuild through long-term recovery programs.

Society of St. Vincent DePaul is a Catholic organization that embraces all works of charity and justice. Vincentians seek their personal holiness through works of charity.

Southern Baptist Convention/ North American Mission Board is a Christ-centered partnership serving through the local church to bring help, healing, and hope to individuals and communities affected by disaster.

The Salvation Army is an international movement and an evangelical part of the universal Christian church. Its disaster program consists of several basic services: food service, shelter, emergency financial assistance to individuals and families through casework specialists, donations management, emotional and spiritual care, emergency communications, disaster case management, clean-up and reconstruction, and partnerships.

Team Rubicon unites the skills and experiences of military veterans with first responders to rapidly deploy emergency response teams.

United Church of Christ through its Office of National Disaster Ministries provides assistance with acute and/or long-term effects of natural or technologically -caused disasters.

United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) has as its mission to alleviate human suffering, whether caused by war, conflict, or natural disaster, with open hearts and minds to all people. UMCOR responds to natural or civil disasters of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community's ability to recovery on its own. UMCOR offers disaster preparedness training, provides essential supplies and care – both physical and psychological – in the immediate aftermath of a disaster, and supports long-term rebuilding efforts and assists communities as they adapt.

United Way Worldwide improves lives by mobilizing the caring power of communities around the world to advance the common good. United Way does not provide services directly but coordinates with United Way chapters and the 2-1-1 network. It coordinates and supports a 2-1-1 Disaster Response Team.

World Renew (Formerly Christian Reformed World Relief Committee) volunteers give their time and talent to help clear debris, assess needs, and rebuild homes