



**New Jersey
Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster
(NJVOAD)
Membership Resource Guide**

NJVOAD MISSION

NJVOAD's mission is to bring together New Jersey organizations active in disaster assistance, and to foster cooperation and coordination in preparedness, response, and recovery in order to offer more effective services to people and communities affected by disaster.

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NJVOAD History

New Jersey Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NJVOAD) was originally formed during the mid-1980s. A small group of non-profit organizations joined together to establish a proactive entity in an effort to prepare for natural and other forms of disaster. This original group was unable to sustain ongoing efforts.

After Hurricane Andrew struck the United States in 1992, disaster related agencies decided to set up a National Disaster Task Force. Several New Jersey leaders in the disaster field met and began to discuss statewide disaster strategies. The following organizations joined together to form NJVOAD as we know it today: American Red Cross, Community FoodBank of NJ, FEMA Region II, Governor's Office on Volunteerism, Office of Emergency Management and The Salvation Army.

In 1998, NJVOAD hosted the Annual National VOAD Conference in Atlantic City, and further strengthened their presence in New Jersey and the VOAD community.

In September 1999, Tropical Storm Floyd devastated Boundbrook in Somerset County, and NJVOAD sprang into action. They worked with the local community to establish a county based VOAD to support local relief and recovery efforts.

The tragic events of September 11, 2001 presented a new and challenging set of obstacles. While the number of deaths of New Jerseyans reached almost 700, second only to NY, New Jersey was not a federally declared disaster area. As such, financial resources were extremely limited and did not match the need.

NJVOAD helped to create the NJ Interfaith Partnership for Disaster Recovery (NJIPDR) in October of 2001. In an attempt to meet the tremendous emotional and spiritual needs which grew out of the tragedy of 9/11, faith-based organizations joined together to address this and other disaster and long term recovery needs of communities throughout New Jersey.

In 2002-2003, NJVOAD provided regional trainings to establish county or regional COADs/VOADs (Community or Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster) in communities throughout NJ. As a result of these efforts, more than a dozen COADs/VOADs were formed, and many remain active today.

Hurricane Irene made landfall near Little Egg Inlet in Atlantic County on August 28, 2011. Almost 930,000 homes and businesses across the state lost power. Nine rivers and creeks reached record flood levels and overflowed into backyards and basements, major highways and downtown streets. Thousands of homes and businesses were destroyed by flooding. In addition to tremendous damage to homes, business and communities, the storm had claimed the lives of 12 New Jerseyans. NJVOAD provided coordination and communication to VOADS / COADS and helped LTRGs (Long Term Recovery Groups) form in the most affected areas. (Passaic, Morris, Somerset, Bergen, Middlesex and Union Counties).

NJVOAD History (continued)

Many New Jersey residents were still recovering from Hurricane Irene when Hurricane Sandy (or Super Storm Sandy) pummeled New Jersey on October 29, 2012. Hurricane Sandy was the largest Atlantic hurricane on record and affected the entire State of New Jersey. There were 34 deaths attributed to this natural disaster, and more than 258,000 households reported some sort of property loss to FEMA. Fourteen counties established long-term recovery groups to address the unmet needs of survivors and help individuals navigate the complicated recovery process. NJVOAD received funding from the American Red Cross, PSEG and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to hire staff and coordinate a statewide AmeriCorps VISTA project to build capacity in active LTRGs and establish or strengthen county and regional COADs / VOADs. NJVOAD also partnered with the NJ Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and the NJ Governor's Office of Volunteerism to develop and launch HELPNJNOW.ORG, a web-based solution for managing donations and volunteers post-disaster.

In addition to the "named" storms and events above, several regions throughout NJ have experienced localized or regional events resulting in catastrophic damage to their communities. NJVOAD has partnered with these communities and the international community to respond to the following:

- April 1995: Spring Flooding in NJ communities
- May 1999: Donations Coordination at Fort Dix for Kosovo Refugees
- August 2000: Flooding in Somerset, Morris and Hunterdon Counties
- April 2005: Spring Flooding in Mercer, Passaic and Somerset Counties
- June 2006: Delaware River Flooding in Sussex, Hunterdon, Warren and Mercer Counties
- April 2007: Spring Flooding in Bergen, Passaic, Somerset, Burlington, Essex and Middlesex Counties
- March 2010: Nor'Easter in Bergen, Passaic, Somerset, Middlesex and Union Counties
- March 2011: Spring Flooding in Passaic, Morris and Somerset Counties
- June 2012: Derecho Winds in Atlantic, Cumberland and Salem Counties

The State of New Jersey has recognized the efforts and value of NJVOAD and the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and State Police have partnered with NJVOAD for preparedness and response exercises. The Regional Operations Intelligence Center (ROIC) has a seat reserved for NJVOAD to actively join in the response when the Governor declares a state of emergency.

NJVOAD was incorporated in 2003 and was recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization in the Fall of 2014.

NJVOAD Member



A Future With Hope, Inc.
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www.afuturewithhope.org

A Future With Hope repairs and rebuilds homes, communities, organizations and systems by strengthening community leadership, engaging neighborhood people, and releasing local assets.

Disaster Services include:

- Disaster Case Management
- Construction Management
- Volunteer Management

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Adventist Community Services –
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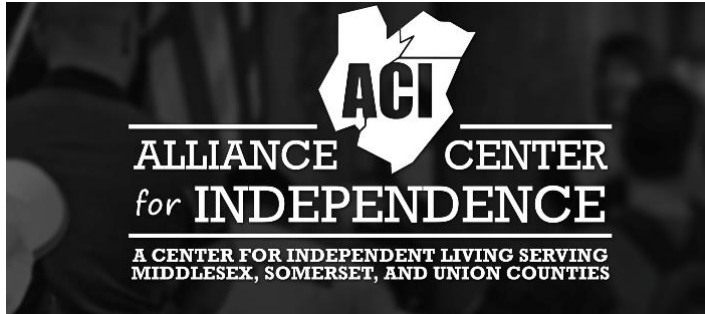
Adventist Community Services – Disaster Response’s mission is to serve the whole person and community in Christ’s name.

Disaster Services include:

- Multi-Agency Warehousing
- Mobile Distribution

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NJVOAD Member (Associate)



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ACI provides information and referral services and develops and implements educational programs and innovative activities that promote activism, peer support, health and wellness, employment and independent living skills for people with disabilities and their allies. ACI supports the philosophy of independent living for all persons with disabilities.

Disaster Services:

ACI is committed to providing assistance to people with disabilities during disaster emergencies. Through our [Facebook page](#), ACI connects individuals to local, county and state resources. ACI also works with the [Federal Emergency Management Agency](#) to bring federal assistance to those with disabilities. ACI received a grant from [AmeriCares](#) to distribute emergency supplies, including emergency kits, first aid kits, adult briefs and wheelchairs, among other items. ACI also conducts training and workshops on emergency preparedness to help individuals with disabilities and organizations that assist persons with disabilities be better prepared and successfully respond to disaster emergencies.

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The American Red Cross prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors.

Disaster Services include:

- Mass Care (Sheltering, Feeding, Bulk Distribution, Welfare Inquiry)
- Individual Care (Disaster mental Health, Disaster Health, Housing Recovery, Case Management)
- Community Planning Capacity Building

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AmeriCares
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AmeriCares is a nonprofit global health and disaster relief organization that delivers medicines, medical supplies and aid to people in need around the world and across the United States. Since it was established in 1982, AmeriCares has distributed more than \$11 billion in humanitarian aid to 164 countries.

Disaster Services include:

- **Donated Product:** Vaccinations (flue tetanus), Medicines (Insulin, chronic care medications, OTCs), Medical Supplies (first aid, PPE, medical consumables), Durable Medical Equipment (medical cots, walkers, canes), hygiene supplies, cleaning products, water (by the truckload).
- **Services:** When possible, AmeriCares has provided project support (funding, technical assistance, training) to address gaps in health services – immediate needs, restoration of health services, long-term health needs, preparedness.

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Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation, USA
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Disaster relief has been a main focus of Tzu Chi Foundation for the past two decades. Our goal is to offer recipients need and emotional support in the wake of disasters, to serve without ulterior motives. Tzu Chi volunteers deal with recipients directly, treating them with respect, love, and gratitude and help to change their perspective from disaster victim to be an active distributor to help others Our Principle is offering short term immediate Disaster Relief

Disaster Services include:

Timeliness: Offering assistance within requested time frame

Directness: Dealing directly and delivering personally to those in need

Priority: Focusing aid on the hardest-hit areas

Respect: Respecting recipients' dignity and their customs

Practicality: Distributing debit card to survivors for purchasing daily supplies to meet their urgent need

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Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton
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Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton, inspired by the Scriptures as reflected in Catholic Social Teaching, alleviates human suffering and improves the quality of life of individuals and families, especially the poor and vulnerable, through service, advocacy and community building.

Disaster Services include:

- Advocacy/disaster case management
- Information and Referrals
- Counseling
- Financial Assistance
- Food, clothing and other unmet basic needs

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NJVOAD Member (Affiliate Member)



CHURCH WORLD SERVICE

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Church World Service was born in 1946, in the aftermath of World War II. Denominations from across the U.S. came together to “to do in partnership what none of us could hope to do as well alone.” Seventy years later, CWS is a global humanitarian organization with 37 member communions that works with partners to eradicate hunger and poverty and to promote peace and justice around the world. CWS is known for its expertise in accompanying refugees at every stage of their journey, including as they integrate into new communities across the U.S., and for its capacity to support those impacted by natural disasters, both domestically and abroad. Today, drawing from both skill sets, CWS has launched an initiative to support immigrants and refugees impacted by disaster in the U.S.

Immigrants and refugees often face unique obstacles to their safety during a disaster and while recovering from it. Challenges may include limited knowledge of English and constraints in access to resources or information. Fear of discrimination or even deportation may lead to a hesitation to utilize the disaster services that are easily available to others.

Disaster Services:

To support the specific needs of immigrants and refugees impacted by disaster, CWS is providing tailored trainings and information resources for immigrant and refugee community leaders on disaster preparedness and recovery. This initiative also works with clergy, first responders and other service providers, advocating for broader awareness of and responsiveness to the specific disaster-related needs of immigrants and refugees.

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NJVOAD Member



Community Food Bank of New Jersey
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The mission of the Community FoodBank is to fight hunger and poverty in New Jersey by assisting those in need and seeking long term solutions. We will engage, educate and empower all sectors of society in the battle.

Disaster Services include:

- Prepare meals and sandwiches through our commercial kitchen in Hillside.
- Warehouses in Hillside and a branch in Egg Harbor Township.
- Distribute donated food to those in need.
- We also distribute water, cleanup kits, blankets and other disaster supplies when available.

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When catastrophe strikes, Episcopal Relief and Development and its partners in the United States and worldwide respond to disasters to help rebuild communities. We provide life-saving assistance that reduces suffering, helps restore dignity and jump-starts economic recovery. Working with the Church agencies and other organizations at home and abroad, we empower communities to meet local needs after natural disasters such as to earthquakes, hurricanes, tornadoes and floods – as well as human-made conflicts including war and other acts of violence. Our partners deliver critical basics such as food, water and other necessities after emergencies. We remain present in communities long after the crisis is over to help them heal, recover and rebuild. Our disaster risk reduction and preparedness efforts focus on helping people prepare in advance of crises to reduce impact on vulnerable and underserved communities. This work involves coordination and training for local partners and community members so they are better able to serve and care for at-risk populations. Assisting Episcopal dioceses in the United States with developing preparedness and response programs.

Disaster Services include:

Delivering life-saving supplies such as food, water, shelter, medicine and other basics. Offering trauma counseling and other special services for survivors. Promoting small business development and income-generating opportunities to help fuel economic recovery. Empowering partners to conduct needs assessments and create long term recovery plans. Supporting long term recovery efforts such as rebuilding and repairing homes, schools, clinics, water systems and other community structures.

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Garden State Animal Resource Team (GSART)
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GSART is a volunteer group formed by NJ County Animal Response Teams (CARTS) with the purpose of assisting NJ CARTs with planning, preparedness, coordination & response concerning animal issues in disasters.

Disaster services include:

- Communicate and coordinate with the CARTs and others to support their response and requests for resources and obtain/provide ongoing situational information and status reports to support the disaster response.
- Conduct night coordination calls with the NJ CARTs

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The Greater NJ Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church
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The Conference Disaster Response Ministry exists to provide leadership within the our annual conference for disaster readiness, relief, and recovery to fulfill the mission of the Greater New Jersey Annual Conference. We accomplish this through various trainings, resources, and ‘people power’ that can be offered to assist local churches in their own disaster response ministry.

We are in partnership with the local, county, and state Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD), The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), and other disaster response organizations.

Disaster Services include:

- Advance planning and mitigation
- Early Response Team (Assessments and initial response)
- Temporary housing (shelter)
- Resources (food, clothing, blankets, flood buckets, etc.)
- Spiritual “First Aid”
- Care for the caregiver

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The Healing Emergency Aid Response Team 9/11 (HEART 911) provides relief assistance, on a volunteer basis, anywhere in the world where a disaster response is required to a natural or man-made event to help communities in crisis.

Disaster Services:

The experience of our volunteers to assist communities is far reaching. We can deploy our people with public safety experience to provide assistance with the initial response of incident management, search and rescue, emergency medical care and evacuations. We can then help with infrastructure recovery with our volunteers from the building trades network who can also assist with the community rebuilding efforts. With our mental health component we can assist those in the community who are struggling emotionally with their lives being turned upside down by the disaster.

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Hearts & Hands Disaster Recovery provides disaster impacted communities with innovative programs to address unmet needs of residents.

Disaster Services include:

Mold Remediation

Temporary housing

Home Repair

Elevation

New Construction

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HOPE Worldwide Central Jersey Chapter is dedicated to serving the needs of the poor in New Jersey and third world countries while inspiring a new generation of young people to volunteer by bringing hope to a suffering world.

Our services include but are not limited to:

- Cadre of unskilled volunteers
- Bilingual Volunteers
- Youth resiliency programming

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ICNA Disaster Response Services seeks to alleviate human suffering by providing caring, compassionate, and practical assistance to survivors of natural and man-made disasters in the United States. The organization strives to accurately represent Islamic values and compassion, serving humanity regardless of race, religion or culture according to the guiding principles of Islam as laid down in Quran "...and if anyone saved a life, it would be as if he saved the life of the whole (of humanity) people." 5:32- and by the tradition of Prophet Muhammad "He who finds relief for one who is hard pressed, God will make things easy for him in the Hereafter."

Disaster Services:

Services are limited to local need, gaps in service, unmet needs, and organizational capacity, including:

- Family and Community Preparedness Training
- Mass Feeding
- Shelter Operations
- Supply Distribution
- Disaster Case Work
- I&R
- Muslim Fatalities (due to religious requirements for burial
- Medical Assistance
- Muck Out/Gut Out
- Chain Saws, Debris Removal, Tarping and Weatherproofing
- Disaster Case Management
- Rebuild Support
- Emotional and Spiritual Care
- Advocacy

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Jersey Cares
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As a leader in volunteerism in New Jersey, Jersey Cares increases the level of meaningful volunteer engagement by creating and managing efficient, impactful projects that address critical community-identified needs. Jersey Cares, a nonprofit organization, established in 1993, recruits and engages volunteers in rewarding, effective efforts that address community-identified needs. We partner with local nonprofits to identify needs and implement volunteer projects to meet these needs. We provide individuals, families, corporate employees and community groups with a wide variety of volunteer opportunities that range from tutoring children to painting new murals in schools.

Jersey Cares is an affiliate of the Hands on Network, an innovative alliance of volunteer catalysts throughout the world.

Disaster Services

Manage volunteer resources for non-skill specific and spontaneous volunteers. Includes canvassing, light demolition, painting, dry walling, and other light construction/repair. We do not engage in mold remediation or counseling.

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We, citizens of the United States of America, of the Jewish faith, who served in the Wars of the United States of America, in order that we may be of greater service to our country and to one another, associate ourselves together for the following purposes:

To maintain true allegiance to the United States of America; to foster and perpetuate true Americanism; to combat whatever tends to impair the efficiency and permanency of our free institutions; to uphold the fair name of the Jew and fight his or her battles wherever unjustly assailed; to encourage the doctrine of universal liberty, equal rights, and full justice to all men and women; to combat the powers of bigotry and darkness wherever originating and whatever their target; to preserve the spirit of comradeship by mutual helpfulness to comrades and their families; to cooperate with and support existing educational institutions and establish educational institutions, and to foster the education of ex-servicemen and ex-servicewomen, and our members in the ideals and principles of Americanism; to instill love of country and flag, and to promote sound minds and bodies in our members and our youth; to preserve the memories and records of patriotic service performed by the men and women of our faith; to honor their memory and shield from neglect the graves of our heroic dead.

Services include:

Preparation

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LDS Charities has access to the resources of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which includes food production and processing, donated used clothing, employment and social services, and the ability to purchase goods locally in many parts of the world. We sponsor relief and development projects in 179 countries. Assistance is rendered without regard to race, religious affiliation, or nationality and is based on the core principles of personal responsibility, community support, self-reliance, and sustainability. Largely run with volunteer labor, we operate both independently and in cooperation with other charitable organizations and governments. More than one million man-days of labor are contributed yearly by volunteers in support of the welfare initiatives.

Disaster Services include:

- Unskilled volunteer labor
- Basic goods
- Cleanup tools
- Other appropriate relief

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Through the power of the Holy Spirit and in response to God's love as revealed in the Gospel, the mission of Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey is to serve those who hurt, who are in need or who have limited choices.

Disaster Services:

As an affiliate of ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR), Lutheran Social Ministries of New Jersey focuses on long-term recovery. We provide logistical support to long term recover groups, funding for unmet needs, and volunteer management.

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**Mental Health
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Mental Health Association in New Jersey
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The Mental Health Association in New Jersey strives for mental health for children and adults through advocacy, education, training, and services.

Disaster Services in Verona, Union County, Atlantic County, and Ocean County

- DRCC
- Crisis Counseling
- Disaster Case Management
- Call Center Operations
- Community Outreach
- Support Groups

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NJVOAD Member (Affiliate Member)

New Jersey State Library
Connecting people with information through libraries

New Jersey State Library
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www.njstatelib.org

The New Jersey State Library connects people with information through libraries.

Disaster Services include:

- Educational workshops and training at the local level for cultural institutions and special collections
- Extensive resources on disaster planning and recovery on NJSL website so that the local library plays a significant role in disaster recovery.

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NJ 2-1-1's mission is to make the critical connection between individuals and families seeking health and/or human services and the organizations best able to meet their needs.

Disaster Services:

Repeatedly, 2-1-1 demonstrates its value during times of crisis. The staff works closely with government officials, voluntary organizations throughout the state, and 2-1-1 centers in other areas. In times of disaster, NJ 2-1-1 plays a critical role in bringing information to the people most affected by the event and relaying the needs of callers back to government officials and first responders who are in a position to help.

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NJVOAD Member



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The mission of Operation BBQ Relief is to provide compassion and to offer hope and friendship to those whose lives have been affected by disasters across the United States through our expertise in cooking and catering barbeque meals and our ability to quickly mobilize our teams into any area where nature disrupts and tears apart the lives of Americans.

Disaster Services:

- Feeding victims and rescue workers in the days following disaster.

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DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

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Disaster Services:

- Preparation (Preparedness) Training
- Long term recovery
- Volunteer hosting sites
- Care for caregivers and compassion fatigue programs

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NJVOAD Member (Affiliate Member)



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Disaster Services include:

- Tarping
- Roofing
- All Extension renovations
- Demolitions
- Emergency Services

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DOING THE MOST GOOD®
NEW JERSEY DIVISION

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The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

Disaster Services:

- Case management
- Mass feeding ESF6 Lead
- Emergency feeding/hydration
- Emergency assistance/casework
- Emotional and Spiritual care
- Volunteer training

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Save the Children invests in childhood – every day, in times of crisis and for our future. In the United States and around the world we are dedicated to ensuring every child has the best chance for success. Our pioneering programs give children a healthy start, the opportunity to learn and protection from harm. Our advocacy efforts provide a voice for children who cannot speak for themselves. As the leading expert on children, we inspire and achieve lasting impact for millions of the world’s most vulnerable girls and boys. By transforming children’s lives now, we change the course of their future and ours.

Disaster Services

During a disaster response Save the Children is ready to meet the needs of children by: providing basic necessities for young children, including baby blankets, clothing and hygiene supplies; and creating Child Friendly Spaces, designated safe play areas where children at shelters can play, socialize and begin to recover after a disaster.

Additionally, we offer the following:

- Support for the short – and long-term recovery of child-serving programs in disaster-affected communities that families depend on, like afterschool programs and child care facilities, allowing parents and guardians to return to work.
- Journey of Hope program, helping children and caregivers minimize feelings of fear, anger and sadness and reduces the risk of post-traumatic stress disorder.
- Get Ready Get Safe initiative helping communities with leadership, guidance and support to protect children.

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NJVOAD Member



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End Poverty Through Systemic Change

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The Mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul.

As a reflection of the whole family of God, members, who are known as Vincentians, are drawn from every ethnic and cultural background, age group, and economic level. Vincentians are united in an international society of charity by their spirit of poverty, humility and sharing, which is nourished by prayer and reflection, mutually supportive gatherings and adherence to a basic Rule.

Organized locally, Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. The Society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes, making no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ.

Disaster Services

- Disaster Case Management
- Unmet Needs Assistance

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NJVOAD Member



Southern Baptist
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The first Southern Baptist Disaster Relief response took place in 1967 when a small group of Texas volunteers helped victims of Hurricane Beulah by serving hot food cooked on small "buddy burners."

Forty years later, in 2008, Southern Baptist volunteers prepared almost 8 million meals. All assistance is provided to individuals and communities free of charge.

Disaster services include:

- Mass Care Feeding
- Chain Saw
- Rebuild
- Mud- Out
- Chaplaincy

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SBP's mission is to shrink time between disaster and recovery. Since its founding in 2006 in St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana following the devastation wrought by Hurricane Katrina, SBP has rebuilt homes for more than 1,060 families nationally with the help of 125,000 volunteers across six states: New Orleans, LA; Joplin, MO; Staten Island, NY; Rockaway, NY; Monmouth and Ocean Counties, NJ; San Marcos, TX and Columbia, SC. SBP is deeply supported by AmeriCorps which provides 140 members annually to manage worksites and clients, and train the organization's volunteers nationally.

Through its Disaster Resilience and Recovery Lab, SBP works to share lessons learned, prevent common barriers to recovery and help communities utilize SBP's standardized, repeatable and proven-effective model.

SBP shortens time between disaster and recovery via five interventions:

1. **Build** innovatively, driving efficiency
2. **Share** SBP's proven effective model with other organizations to increase efficacy across the disaster rebuilding sector
3. **Train** home and business owners in resilience and risk mitigation prior to disaster
4. **Advise** local and state government officials so they can deploy federal dollars sooner, and in a way that empowers an efficient recovery
5. **Advocate** so that what is measured is what matters – a complete recovery

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

Disaster services include:

- Incident Management
- Disaster mapping and work-order management
- General debris removal
- Light and heavy vehicle operations
- Emergent/hasty home repair
- Muck out/Mold mitigation & remediation
- Spontaneous volunteer management
- Volunteer reception center
- Damage and impact assessment
- Debris management
- Chainsaw operations
- Structure demolition
- Roof tarping
- Hazard mitigation (fire/flood)
- Planning for multiple VOAD's

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NJVOAD Member



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Some of the things our [Assisted Activities](#) team responds to are nursing homes, hospitals, hospices organizations, school ambassadors, and library programs.

Examples of [Assisted Therapy](#) teams work with crisis screening centers, prosecutor offices, law enforcement, and domestic violence and homeless shelters. The teams in this level have completed an advanced obedience test, role playing, and a variety of other courses to support them in their efforts.

Our highest level of response work is our [Assisted Response Team](#). One of the main objectives of this team is to provide emotional support for the volunteers and the families in disaster situations. Not all teams in our program will become a part of this group because it requires very specific qualities in dog and handler.

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VLJ's mission is to improve the lives of economically disadvantaged adults, children and families in New Jersey by empowering them with tools, advice and pro bono representation with the goal of securing fair and equal treatment within the legal system.

Disaster services include:

Free legal advice, limited services or full representation for legal issues directly stemming from Superstorm Sandy in the State of New Jersey.

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World Cares mission is to foster collaborative, safe and effective disaster prevention, response , and recovery through the empowerment of community volunteers and leaders through training and support.

Disaster services :

World Cares Center provides full curricula of disaster safety and management trainings in the classroom and online. Audiences include individual volunteers, local leaders, and municipalities that manage programs such as CERT and MRC. World Cares Center has a Ready Response team that supports municipalities in the training, coordination, and management of Spontaneous Volunteers utilizing WCC Volunteer Receptions and Resiliency Center model when disasters strike.

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To show God's love and bring hope to disaster impacted communities in North America by restoring the homes and lives of those who are most vulnerable, to help communities build their capacity to prepare for and recover from disaster, and to provide opportunities for Christians to honor the Lord by using their time, talents and financial resources in service to others.

Disaster Services include:

- Rapid Response
- OCB
- Unmet needs assessment
- Reconstruction
- Work groups
- Emotional and Spiritual care

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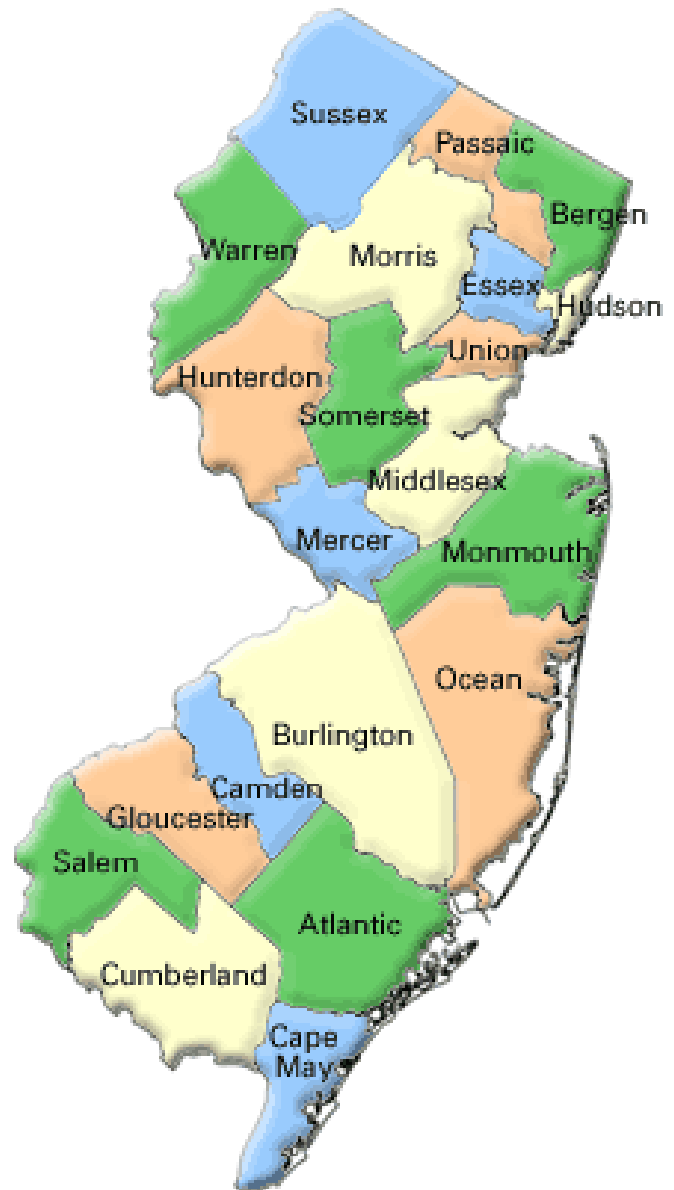
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NJVOAD Commonly Used Acronyms

AB	American Baptist
AAA	Area Agency on Aging
ABM	American Baptist Men
ACS	Adventist Community Services
ARC	American Red Cross
ARRL	American Radio Relay League
BDM	Brethren Disaster Ministry
BFE	Base Flood Elevation
CAN	Coordinated Assistance Network
CAP	Community Action Program or Civil Air Patrol
CART	Community Animal Response Team
CBO	Community Based Organization
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant
CDCC	Cooperative Disaster Child Care
CDR	Christian Disaster Response
CERT	Community Emergency Response Team
CMHC	Community Mental Health Center
COA	Council On Aging
COAD	Community Organizations Active in Disaster
CRWR	Christian Reformed World Relief Committee
CSS	Catholic Social Services
CWS	Church World Service

NJVOAD Commonly Used Acronyms

DED	Department of Economic Development
DFO	Disaster Field Office
DH	Disaster Housing
DHS	Department of Human Services
DMH	Disaster Mental Health or Department of Mental Health
DNN	Disaster News Network
DOB	Duplication of Benefits
DRC	Disaster Recovery Center
DRO	Disaster Recovery Organization
DUA	Disaster Unemployment Assistance
EA	Emergency Assistance
EFS	Emergency Food and Shelter
EMA	Emergency Management Agency
EMR	Emergency Minor Repair
EOC	Emergency Operations Center
ESF	Emergency Support Functions
ERV	Emergency Response Vehicle
FB	Farm Bureau
FCIC	Federal Crop Insurance Corporation
FCO	Federal Coordinating Officer
FDM	Friends Disaster Ministry
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FHA	Federal Housing Administration

NJVOAD Commonly Used Acronyms

FIA	Federal Insurance Administration
FmHA	Farmers Home Administration
FSA	Farm Services Agency
FRP	Federal Response Plan
HMGP	Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban Development
HSNJRF	Hurricane Sandy New Jersey Relief Fund
HSUS	Humane Society of the United States
HVAC	Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning
IA	Individual Assistance Program (FEMA)
ICISF	International Critical Incident Stress Foundation
ICS	Incident Command System of Incident Coordination System
IFG	Individual and Family Grant Program
IHP	Individuals and Household Program (FEMA)
IRFF	International Relief Friendship Foundation
JFO	Joint Field Office
LDR	Lutheran Disaster Response
LDS	Latter Day Saints
LEPC	Local Emergency Planning Committee
LSS	Lutheran Social Services
LTR	Long Term Recovery
LTRC	Long Term Recovery Committee
LTRG	Long Term Recovery Group

NJVOAD Commonly Used Acronyms

LTRO	Long Term Recovery Organization
MDS	Mennonite Disaster Service
MHA	Mental Health Association
MRC	Medical Reserve Corp
NDRF	National Disaster Response Framework
NEMIS	National Emergency Management Information System
NFIP	National Flood Insurance Program
NFO	National Farmers Organization
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NIMS	National Incident Management System
NJIPDR	New Jersey Interfaith Partnership in Disaster Recovery
NOVA	National Organization for Victims Assistance
NVOAD	National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster
NWS	National Weather Service
OHSP	Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness
ONA	Other Needs Assistance
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PA	Public Assistance Program (FEMA)
PDA	Preliminary Damage Assessment or Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
PIO	Public Information Officer
RAP	Rental Assistance Program
RREM	Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, Elevation and Mitigation Program (Sandy)
ROI	Release of Information
ROIC	Regional Operations Intelligence Center

NJVOAD Commonly Used Acronyms

SB	Southern Baptist
SBA	Small Business Administration
SCO	State Coordinating Officer
SEOC	State Emergency Operation Center
SITREP	Situation Report
SEMA	State Emergency Management Agency
SRFO	Sandy Recovery Field Office
SSBG	Social Service Block Grant
TH	Temporary Housing
TRO	Transitional Recovery Office
TSA	The Salvation Army
UCC	United Church of Christ
UMCOR	United Methodist Committee On Relief
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
VA	Veteran's Administration
VAL	Voluntary Agency Liaison
VISTA	Volunteers in Service to America
VITA	Volunteers in Technical Assistance
VOAD	Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster