



Louisiana Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

COOPERATION | COMMUNICATION | COORDINATION | COLLABORATION

VOAD and Engaging in Long-Term Recovery

Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster VOAD

- National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) is an association of organizations that mitigate and alleviate the impact of disasters, provides a forum promoting cooperation, communication, coordination and collaboration; and fosters more effective delivery of services to communities affected by disaster. National VOAD's coalition consists of 70+ of the nation's most reputable national organizations (faith-based, community-based and other non-profit organizations) and 56 State/Territory VOADs, which represent Local/Regional VOADs and hundreds of other member organizations throughout the country.
- States/Territories similarly have VOAD organizations that mirror the National VOAD mission. There are often Local/Regional VOADs within the state that are made up of grassroots, local, or more geographically specific organizations that serve those areas.



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The 4 C's

VOAD is guided by the core principles of the 4Cs

- **Cooperation:** We understand that our common goals can be best achieved by working together and learning from one another. No one organization can do it all on their own and we best serve when we do it together.
- **Communication:** We promote and facilitate a climate of open communication to promote the regular sharing of information about and between our member organizations and partners.
- **Coordination:** We commit to working together toward the goal of delivering effective services throughout the disaster cycle and reducing the potential of duplicated efforts.
- **Collaboration:** To put our mission and principles in practice, we form strategic relationships, work to break-down silos, and encourage cross-sector partnerships.

Long-Term Recovery Group (LTRGs)

It is a cooperative body that is made up of representatives from faith-based, non-profit, government, business, and other organizations working within a community to assist individuals and families as they recover from disaster.

GOAL: To unite recovery resources with community needs in order to ensure that even the most vulnerable in the community recover from disaster.



Hurricane Ida LTRGs

There are seven active LTRGs for Hurricane Ida that host unmet needs committees to assist with funding for cases.

Group	Parishes
BARR (Bayou Area Regional Recovery)	Terrebonne, Lafourche, Grand Isle
NDRI (Northshore Disaster Recovery, Inc.)	St. Tammany, Washington
Center of Hope LTRG	Tangipahoa, St. Helena, Livingston
St. John the Baptist Parish LTRG	St. John the Baptist
Southshore LTRG	Jefferson, Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard
St. Charles Parish LTRG	St. Charles Parish
Acadiana LTRG	St. Mary, St. Martin, Iberia

Current Temporary Housing in the State

FEMA Direct Housing

• Hurricane Ida	4,611
• Hurricane Laura	686
• Hurricane Delta	<u>64</u>
	5,361

GOHSEP State Sheltering Program

• Ida Sheltering Program	2,626
• Tornados (Union, Caddo, Jefferson, St. Bernard)	<u>40</u>
	2,666

Why Should Houses of Faith Engage?



- Access to information
- Strength of partnership
- Best able to leverage resources of everyone
- Share and develop best practices
- Connect with local, state and federal resources
- Participate in trainings
- Better support members and community in times of need
- Share the gifts of the church, i.e. spiritual care, feeding, housing
- Enhance the mission of the church to serve the local community

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