

What YOU can do to help!

Contact us through our website (listed below) and let us know your volunteer interests, skill sets and/or type of resource you could donate during disaster

Perhaps you are interested in

ham radio emergency communications or Red Cross feeding assistance



Or maybe you would like to help re-roof re-build

homes following a hurricane

How about speaking to

groups about getting prepared for a disaster

Maybe you would like to teach mitigation techniques to help prevent wind or water damage to homes

Perhaps you have administrative skills that you could use to help keep track of the COAD's resources

Whatever your skills or interests, we've got a spot for you

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10 Vital Items for a Family Survival Kit

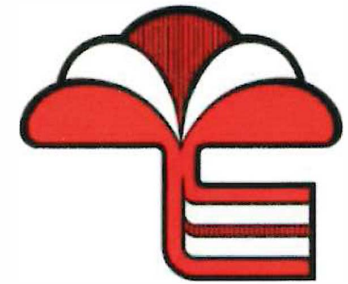
- 1) **Water:** At least 1 gal/person/day
- 2) **Food:** Ready to eat canned meats, fruits vegetables & protein or fruit bars
- 3) **Clothing:** What you would pack for a weekend camping trip
- 4) **Shelter:** Protection from the elements, a sleeping pad and sleeping bag
- 5) **First Aid Kit:** Build your own kit and include medicine, hand sanitizer, insect repellent & sun block
- 6) **Basic Gear:** Rain gear, fire starter, cooking utensils, flash lights
- 7) **Pet Needs:** Water, food, medicine & immunization records, collar, ID tag, leash, crate, sanitation supplies
- 8) **Paperwork:** Waterproof pouch for maps, travel info, ID's, disaster plan, shelter locations, evacuation routes, phone numbers of family/friends
- 9) **Tool Kit:** A small kit to include a hammer & nails, screwdrivers, adjustable wrench & pliers & a fire extinguisher
- 10) **Radio:** Battery powered or hand crank radio with weather alerting

These are basic needs. You may need more for a longer period of time. Items are good to have even if you don't evacuate but shelter in place

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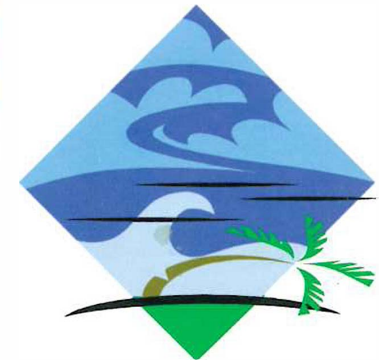
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Community Organizations
Active in Disaster

Who We Are What We Do



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Our Purpose

Volusia COAD is composed of civic groups, businesses, faith based associations, individuals and government agencies that address unmet needs prior to, during and following a disaster. Our goal is to coordinate volunteers and resources to fill gaps that come about when customary emergency agencies cannot meet the needs of our citizens, due to lack of a formal governmental disaster declaration or shortage of available resources.



Our Vision

The vision of the Volusia Community Organizations Active in Disaster is to coordinate effective, efficient, and streamlined service delivery to people affected by disaster, while eliminating unnecessary duplication of effort, through the four phases of a disaster: preparation, response, recovery and mitigation.



The 4 Phases of Disaster

1) Preparedness

Preparedness includes activities that seek to prevent casualties, expedite response activities and minimize property damage in the event of a disaster. Volusia COAD is training neighborhood representatives to organize support groups to assist each other in disasters.

2) Response

Response is initiated as soon as an incident has occurred, or prior to onset of an event such as an approaching hurricane and/or storm. Volusia COAD's role, following emergency response, is to assist and coordinate relief efforts (food, clothing, temporary shelter, basic clean-up, etc.) as needed.

3) Recovery

Recovery starts soon after impact and lasts an extended period of time. It typically includes restoration of infrastructure and vital life support systems and resumption of the routines of daily life. Volusia COAD, through its contacts with volunteers and donors of resources, will play a vital part in this phase, filling needs that could not be met by governmental agencies.

4) Mitigation

One of the most important elements of long-term recovery is the day-in and day-out efforts to reduce disasters' long-term risks to people and property. Volusia COAD will help achieve this through community education and awareness programs.



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