

Volusia Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD)
Steering Committee Meeting Summary – 8 January, 2019

The meeting was brought to order at 10:00 AM by Jerry Brandon, Co-Chairman.

Members in attendance:

Brandon, Andrea	Brandon, Gerald	Bruno, Frank
Dominguez, Jason	Greenberg, Warren	Hemmerlein, Jill
Howell, Charlie	Lewandowski, Frank	Lowe, Deanie
Rademacher, Jeanne	Troxler, David	

Guest in attendance:

Pitocchi, Veronica

- Mr. Brandon asked all members present to introduce themselves and say which organization they represent.

- Mr. Brandon next asked for up-dates from each member about their organization's activities:
 - Jeanne Rademacher with the United Way introduced her guest, Miss Veronica Pitocchi, who explained her internship as an FSU medical student. The purpose of this part of the program is to introduce medical students to potential community services so that when they are a practicing physician, they can help their patients to get additional help when needed.
 - Mrs. Rademacher went on to say:
 - They are trying to keep 211 up to date but are having some problems getting information from some agencies and connecting with them.
 - They have managed to up-date about 95% of the database.
 - They are working on the Tier 2 list to be used during an emergency.
 - Deanie Lowe asked if they were working with the county people and ESF 15 and giving them a copy of the list.
 - Mrs. Rademacher said that they get the information using 211 and they seem to like generating their own lists.

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- Our matrix has been up-dated and is included in the database.
 - Mr. Brandon asked for the latest information on the Hotel/Motel Association's ability to help persons displaced by a disaster.
 - Mrs. Rademacher said that there is no up-date on this situation. It is still in a state of flux but a plan needs to be in place before the next disaster occurs.
 - Frank Bruno, Co-Chairman, commented that Volusia County Community Services has been working on the displaced persons issue. He will ask for a representative to be at our next meeting.
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- Warren Greenberg, with Volusia ARES, reported that statewide, ARES members are being vetted according to state standards. This will be completed soon.

 - Jill Hemmerlein, liaison with Volusia County Emergency Management:
 - The Hurricane Expo will be a co-ordinated effort between our COAD and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce as partners.
 - Mrs. Hemmerlein gave specific data with regards to using the county fairgrounds.
 - Mr. Bruno will speak with George Recktenwald to see if we can use the fairgrounds rent free.
 - We need to vote on a date. The dates available are June 8, 15, and 29. All are Saturdays.

 - It was decided that all dates are good for us which then allows for flexibility with the County and our partner agencies.

 - We will promote this as the first co-ordinated Hurricane Expo.

 - There was much further discussion on the issue of our Expo and the County Emergency Management's required public outreach.

 - Pastor Dave Troxler with VIND gave a lengthy review of the past year with his organization which deals with long-term recovery issues:
 - There have been 20 teams of volunteers
 - 2 teams repeated
 - 2 AmeriCorps teams stayed multiple weeks

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- Total number of weeks with teams = 25
 - Number of volunteers = 216 people
 - Hours accumulated = 8,733@national rate of \$ 24.69 = \$ 215,617.
 - Homes repaired and rebuilt = 25
 - Interiors repaired with volunteers = 13
 - 20 roofs using contractors
 - Currently 13 volunteer teams booked.
 - 63 stick built homes waiting for repairs or rebuilding
 - Working towards registering mobile homes with Rebuild Florida – currently over 300 registered.
 - Registration extended until March 29.
 - Registrants are beginning to receive applications. Everything is completed electronically. Our team of case managers is assisting each client with their application.
 - VIND is growing in capacity and stability, teaming up with American Baptist Church and Disaster Ministries to host the UCC Summer Communities of Service where 2 -3 interns will learn our long term recovery organization and leadership skills.
- Deanie Lowe asked about our Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) program.
- Mr. Bandon responded that we are re-starting this program with Warren Greenberg as our liaison in this area.
 - We will be getting an up-to-date list of HOAs, Condo Associations, and Manufactured Home Parks. We will use these lists to re-start our program for MYN.
 - Data on this is only updated every 2 – 5 years according to Mrs. Hemmerlein who is now also with the county's GIS program. However, this data is being updated as of December, 2018.
- The next meetings are: General Meeting: 16 January, 2019
 Steering Committee meeting: 12 February, 2019
- Meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM

