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Call Summary and Report Outs for the 10 am May 1 NY VOAD Meeting

Attendance:

Ismael Berrios, NY VOAD Interim Vice Chair, Assemblies of God
Steven Taylor, NY VOAD Interim Secretary, American Red Cross
Matt Burns, DHSES State VAL
Julie Blanciak, FEMA VAL
Leo Simone,
David Young, City Harvest
Assalam Alaikum, ICNA Relief
Jim Peterson, Adirondack Emergency Community chaplains
Yonnette Joseph – AmeriCares
Kate Dischino - AmeriCares
Valerie Sherwood, Habitat for Humanity of NYS
Carol Wood, 211 (Southern Tier)
Earl Eichelberger, Catholic Charities
Diana O'Neill, Long Island Volunteer Center (LIVC)
Leo Simone, Long Island Volunteer Center
Shavel Edwards, Regional Volunteer Disaster Coordinator, United Way of Central New York
Les Radford, HOOAD
Leslie Morrison, Presbyterians
Steve Irwin, Convoy of Hope
Amos Acree, NY Conference United Church of Christ
Jason Carroll, Volunteer Programs Manager, Finger Lakes Volunteer Center, Foodlink, Inc
Sam Carocci, Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Summary:

Executive Board updates...

Meetings have been moved to once every two months. Next meeting will be first Thursday of July. Membership applications and updates to the directory are due by 1 June. Invoices will be sent out after updates or applications are received. This will allow the voting in of new members to the organization at the next membership meeting. To update your organization's listing in the NY VOAD directory or fill out the application please go to the membership section of our website.

<https://nyvoad.communityos.org/cms/membership>

Nominations for the executive board will open for one week starting during the next membership call. Elections are planned for the week of July 15. Job descriptions are in the by-laws which are posted on the website. Instructions on how to conduct the nominations and the elections are forth coming. Elections will most likely occur via survey monkey to preserve the secret ballot.

The executive board is investigating the use of webinar software to conduct the VOAD calls/meetings and continues to discuss how to best use this software.

We are very gracious to the FEMA VAL Julie Blancaik for the use of her conference line.

Organization Report Outs:

Hesed Hope is happy to announce they have officially changed their name to Compassionate Reach International, to better reflect our mission and purpose.

Please note the change of address for Jaimie Grubb's email:

jamie@compassionatereach.org

David Young is the new to the group representing City Harvest.

dyoung@cityharvest.org

ICNA Relief and NECHAMA are working together on Rebuild New York. The next event will be taking place in Brooklyn ,NY on June 9th-June 15, 2014

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National:

211 meeting with NVOAD powerpoint & information about Crisis Cleanup available – will send for posting on NY VOAD website if you want it.

MRC meeting with NVOAD recently, very useful. Have not seen notes or handouts.

Open Referral project with Code for America – funded project looking at opening I&R data so it's more readily available. More information at <http://groups.google.com/group/OpenReferral>.

ST/FL VOAD (Steuben, Chemung & Schuyler Counties):

Developing formalized operations procedures during the coming months, will not be an independent 501(c)(3). Materials posted online: Institute for Human Services. Working on communication methods, collecting information about agency capacity.

New York State Regional Volunteer Centers:

Strengthening work on preparedness for disaster volunteers. Contact your local agency for more information. <http://www.governor.ny.gov/nyvolunteers>.

2-1-1 New York:

Planning for expansion into un-served areas of Central New York, and strengthening back-up/overflow protocols for disaster response.

Long Island Volunteer Center...

We have an LTRG Executive Committee meeting tomorrow and I will remind the team we owe you, if you don't have them yet, the process to secure volunteer housing at the Long Island Disaster Recovery Center. Also here is a link to get on the e-list for disaster recovery volunteer opportunities:

http://www.longislandvolunteercenter.org/HOC__Volunteer_Opportunity_Details_Page?id=a0CA00000OUAFYhMAP

We have reopened the call center at the VRC.

National Disaster Ministry of the UCC has gone through some restructuring this year. Formerly, we were able to provide Tyvek suits for hazardous cleanups, which we did for Binghamton, Sandy and Hudson-Mohawk flooding. We are no longer able to do this, but we can provide insights into how they may be obtained. Locally, in Western New York, we are involved in initiating a Erie/Niagara County local VOAD, and have been providing assistance to the localized flooding in a section of West Seneca this winter by supporting and assisting in West Seneca Responds - LTRG. We continue to provide training and workshops in local congregations for disaster preparedness/response, and encourage work groups to various sites.

Next Meeting will be the first Thursday in July or July 3rd at 10 am.

Call information: 800-320-4330

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