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Welcome to **NYDISnet**, our bi-weekly e-newsletter. We hope this resource will keep you updated about the work of NYDIS and developments in disaster readiness, response and recovery initiatives here in New York City. If you have some news to share or an upcoming event to publicize please contact [slockwood@nydis.org](mailto:slockwood@nydis.org).

When an emergency situation arises in New York City - our office will send out a **NYDISnet ALERT** to all subscribers. The alert will include all official information available through the NYC Office of Emergency Management and news from our members and partners.

Please feel free to copy and distribute any information from **NYDISnet** that you find helpful. If you would like to distribute **NYDISnet** to your agency staff or faith community leaders please let us know - we're happy to provide that service free of charge.

Faithfully, Peter

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## NYDIS NEWS AND EVENTS

### ■ **NYDIS Statement on Hurricane Katrina**

On the eve of the fourth anniversary of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, our hearts not only focused on the losses to our city, its people, and all the families impacted by 9/11, but also on the city of New Orleans, its people and all those in the Gulf Shore States impacted by Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath.

Words are inadequate at a time like this to express our deep sorrow for the tragedy that has so ravaged a beloved city and our sisters and brothers across six states. We grieve with you, we pray for you, and we pledge our presence and support of material and human resources. This is a journey toward recovery that we know all too well, this is a pain that we have felt, this is a process that continues to refine our humanity and challenge our spirituality.

We know what it is to be vulnerable and susceptible. Yet, we also know the strength of faith and of community acting in concert together to relieve human suffering. This is the experience of 9/11 and the foundation of NYDIS.

It is in this spirit that NYDIS members and staff are engaged in and will continue to offer their assistance to Katrina recovery in the

following ways:

- When called upon, NYDIS staff will continue to assist New Orleans and regional faith-based communities in impacted areas to build their response capacity as well develop appropriate relief and long-term recovery programs.
- Through NYDIS and our Member Agencies, we will continue to participate, at the local and state level as well, in the planning and long-term recovery support of human and spiritual services for evacuees relocating in NYC.
- NYDIS will continue to provide information to and about our members and partners and their services.

In this issue of NYDISnet, in [From Our Members and Partners](#), and then on our website, we will provide a list of faith-based organizations receiving donations and responding in other ways to Hurricane Katrina. If you are interested in making a donation or volunteering, we suggest you check out our list of faith-based agencies and philanthropies.

While action is important, let us pray faithfully for our brothers and sisters, and not underestimate the power of prayer for creating calm, healing wounded spirits, and nurturing a sense of unity and strength in these times.

Faithfully,  
Peter B. Gudaitis, Ex. Director & CEO

#### ■ NYDIS ED Deployed to New Orleans Area for Katrina Relief

NYDIS Ex. Dir. Peter Gudaitis is returning from a week's deployment to areas of Louisiana and Mississippi impacted by Hurricane Katrina. Contracted by one of our partner agencies, Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD), Gudaitis traveled to the area with Rob Radtke, ERD President, and The Rt. Rev. George Packard, Bishop Suffragan for Chaplaincies, to assist the evacuated Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana and other local faith communities in planning and building their capacity to re-establish their offices and to plan for the long-term recovery from Katrina.



Gudaitis networked with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD), and Church World Service (CWS) personnel on the ground to assist the local leadership in setting up an interfaith recovery planning team. He also facilitated a meeting between American Red Cross (ARC) staff in DC and Louisiana to develop norms for the provision of spiritual care in shelters.

Gudaitis visited shelters and relocation centers as well as DMORT facilities to assist with assessment of needs. He had the opportunity to fly into the New Orleans and Gulfport areas, and facilitated the organizing of a meeting of interfaith leaders. NYDIS board member Tarique Rahman of Islamic Circle of North America (ICNA—Relief) was also on the ground in Baton Rouge, coordinating relief and evacuation efforts for the Muslim Community.

Locally, NYDIS staff is working closely with the Human Services

Council (HSC), NYC Office of Emergency Management (OEM), NYC Voluntary Organizations Active (VOAD) in Disasters, and other partners to assist with the NYC response to Katrina and services for evacuees who relocate to the City.

For more information on Katrina response, go to:

[www.nydis.org](http://www.nydis.org)

#### ■ NYDIS Executive To Speak at Conference in UK



NYDIS Executive Director Peter Gudaitis is one of 20 Americans, and the only faith-based agency representative, invited by the Cabinet Office and the British Consulate to present at a joint UK-USA conference on Policy Implications for Emergency Planning, Mental Health & Catastrophic Events. The conference will be held at the Emergency Planning College in York, England, Sept. 12-15. In addition to his presentation on "Learning from Examples of Evidence-Based Planning," drawing on NYDIS' partnerships with the local, state and national disaster service providers, Gudaitis has been asked to give his observations about his recent deployment to areas of Louisiana and Mississippi impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

For more info on the plan, go to:

[www.dhs.gov/dhspublic/interapp/editorial/editorial\\_0566.xml](http://www.dhs.gov/dhspublic/interapp/editorial/editorial_0566.xml)

#### ■ Jarry Attends NVOAD Policy Meeting

On Aug. 31, NYDIS Director of Disaster Recovery and Advocacy, Maggie Jarry, traveled to Chicago to participate in the first National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (NVOAD) Policy Committee meeting. The meeting, hosted by the national office of Lutheran Disaster Response, focused on concerns of NVOAD member states and issues identified at the 2005 National VOAD Conference in Denver. Among the issues discussed was proposed legislation to restore the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Mortgage and Rental Assistance program, which was a valuable resource for those impacted financially by 9/11, but has since been discontinued.



For more info on NVOAD, go to:

[www.nvoad.org](http://www.nvoad.org)

#### ■ NYDIS & Partners Meet with Netherlands Delegation

On Aug. 29, NYDIS staff hosted a breakfast with a U.S. Department of State Delegation from the Netherlands looking at disaster response and preparedness coordination in the U.S. The four person delegation represented leaders from four fire brigades in The Hague, Amsterdam, and Tilburg, and visited Boston, NYC and Washington, D.C. Also participating were staff from Lutheran Disaster Response of New York, Faithful Response and the September 11 Families Association.

#### ■ NYDIS & OEM Promote National Preparedness Month

## National Preparedness Month

NYDIS is joining the NYC Office of Emergency Management and a number of disaster service agencies in promoting September as National Preparedness Month — a nationwide effort to encourage New Yorkers and all Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses, schools, and houses of worship.

Take the time this September to learn more about ways you can prepare for emergencies. For resources, check out our Preparedness Corner.

- Consider participating in a [preparedness event](#) near you, or review the [Ready New York guide](#).
- Read about [National Preparedness Month in NYC](#).
- Learn more about the [Ready New York campaign](#).
- Contact NYDIS for a Ready New York presentation or a training on congregational preparedness.

For more information, contact:  
Susan Lockwood, Director  
Disaster Response and Training  
212.669.6104  
[slockwood@nydis.org](mailto:slockwood@nydis.org)

### ■ NYDIS Offers CD on 9/11 Recovery and Ground Zero Tour



[Courage: A Pilgrim's Walking Tour of Ground Zero](#) is a newly released CD offered through NYDIS that accompanies the listener through a journey at Ground Zero and includes not only walking directions, a map, and identification of key points on the landscape, but also provides first-person stories by participants who worked tirelessly in the recovery effort and have struggled with the pain and suffering of the experience.

Produced by Courtney Cowart, Th.D., the CD is already being used by pastors, educators and therapists to lead study circles, teach courses, and as a catalyst for creative art and writing therapies, for sermon material, and as inspiration for faith-based volunteers.

The focus of the CD is on the discovery of real strength and resilience—where that comes from and what sustains it even in the most painful circumstances. Tracks include:

"Grief and Hope", "Sacrifice", "Love is Stronger than Death", "Forgiveness", "Kindness, the Soul of Compassion", "New Birth"  
These are enhanced with music by acclaimed songwriter and singer Beth Nielsen Chapman and Emmy award-winning musician, composer and producer Gary Malkin.

Proceeds from the sale of the CD will be used to support NYDIS' disaster advocacy, planning, training, and long-term recovery initiatives.

To order *Courage: A Pilgrim's Walk of Ground Zero*:  
Order online at [www.nydis.org/visitnyc/5.php](http://www.nydis.org/visitnyc/5.php)  
Call: 212-669-6100  
Cost: \$15 per CD + \$2 shipping and handling

## ■ 9/11 Unmet Needs Roundtable Updates

### • In-Service Training for Case Workers

In-Service Training is required for case workers who have never presented a case at the Roundtable, and is recommended as a refresher for experienced case workers who have previously presented cases.

- 9:30-11:30 am at NYDIS - **Tuesday, September 27**

### • Next Meetings of the Roundtable

The NYC 9/11 Unmet Needs Roundtable brings together donors with agencies providing case management to 9/11 victims. Case Workers who would like to present a case must sign-up by Friday prior to the meeting of the Roundtable.

- 9:30 am - **Thursday, September 15**
- 9:30 am - **Thursday, September 29**

To sign up for In-Service Training or to present a case, contact:  
Maggie Jarry, Moderator  
212.669.6105  
[mjarry@nydis.org](mailto:mjarry@nydis.org)

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## COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

### ■ 9/11 Anniversary Observances

- **ARC Announces Online 9/11 Anniversary Events Calendar**  
The American Red Cross Sept. 11 Recovery Program (SRP) has posted an online "2005 September 11 Anniversary Events" Calendar. The calendar is located on the SRP website under "Resources."

Check out the calendar at:  
[www.redcross.org/september11/help](http://www.redcross.org/september11/help)



For info or to update or add events, contact:  
Ian Hartman-O'Connell  
[HarmantOConnellI@usa.redcross.org](mailto:HarmantOConnellI@usa.redcross.org)  
646.826.3224

- **Episcopal Diocese Offers Liturgical Materials for 9/11**  
Special prayers, bulletin inserts, and other liturgical materials for the fourth anniversary of 9/11 which falls on Sunday this year are available on line at:  
[www.diocesenyc.org](http://www.diocesenyc.org)  
[www.liturgy.diocesenyc.org](http://www.liturgy.diocesenyc.org)



- **Jewish Healing Center Holds Interfaith Memorial Service**  
The NY Jewish Healing Center of the Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services is holding an Interfaith Memorial Service to commemorate the fourth anniversary of 9/11, on Sunday, Sept. 11, 7-8:15 pm at Stephen Wise Free Synagogue, 30 W. 68 St, NYC.



For more info, please call  
Rabbi Simkha Y. Weintraub, LMSW  
212-399-2320, x 215  
[www.jhhrn.org](http://www.jhhrn.org)

- **LDRNY Offers List of Services, Prayer Resource**

Lutheran Disaster Response of NY has a list of 9/11 Services being held by Lutheran congregations on their website at:  
[www.ldrny.org/resources/resources8.asp](http://www.ldrny.org/resources/resources8.asp)



Prayers by Lutheran Pastor Tom Taylor are also on the website at: [www.ldrny.org/topnews/topnews\\_feature.html](http://www.ldrny.org/topnews/topnews_feature.html)

- **Mayor/Governor Announce 9/11 Anniversary Plans**



Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg and Governor George E. Pataki have announced NYC's plans to commemorate the fourth anniversary of the Sept. 11 terrorist attack. As with previous ceremonies, the observance will take place at the World Trade Center site on the morning of Sunday, Sept. 11.

At sundown, the "Tribute in Light" will return for one night on Sept. 11, in memory of those lost and as a symbol of the spirit of our community. It will be located at a new site this year at West and Morris Streets in Lower Manhattan.

For more info, go to:  
[www.nyc.gov/html/om/html/2005b/pr304-05.html](http://www.nyc.gov/html/om/html/2005b/pr304-05.html)

- **One Day's Pay Sponsors National Day of Service**



One Day's Pay is a national nonprofit working to establish 9/11 as a National Day of Voluntary Service, Charity and Compassion. People are encouraged to take time out of their day to help a friend in need, give blood, donate to a charity, volunteer time, or just be kind to others.

For more info or suggestions, go to:  
[www.nycremembers.org/index.php](http://www.nycremembers.org/index.php)

- **STAR NY and Pace University Host Event**



STAR NY and Pace University's Counseling Center are hosting workshops and exhibits for trauma healing and self care on Saturday, Sept. 10, 8 am-4:30 pm at 1 Pace Plaza. There will be music, food, and exhibits on Tai Chi, Yoga, and Reiki.

For more information, contact:  
Jackie Womack  
212.227.8484  
[starnyc@emu.edu](mailto:starnyc@emu.edu)

- **For More 9/11 Remembrance Events, go to:**  
[www.where-to-turn.org](http://www.where-to-turn.org)

- **Music Program Offered to 9/11 Impacted Children & Youth**



Feel the Music! is an interactive music program offering music workshops in songwriting, percussion, singing, jazz and a variety of concerts. The workshops are designed to be fun and inspiring and are taught by renowned professional musicians who love teaching. Created for children and teens that lost a parent or close family member on Sept. 11, Feel the Music! is a project of The World Foundation for Music and Healing and Friendship Ambassadors Foundation. The kick-off event will be Sept. 25, 1-4 pm at Tinker Auditorium, Manhattan.



For more info or to register, contact:

Valerie Ghent

212.669.6126

[valerie@musicandhealing.org](mailto:valerie@musicandhealing.org)

For more info, go to:

[www.musicandhealing.org](http://www.musicandhealing.org)

### ■ International Day of Peace Observance Set for Sept. 21



The Sacred City Project, United Religions Initiative and The Peace Alliance will join together to observe the International Day of Peace on Sept. 21. The program, **Courage to Forgive**, will take place from 6-7 pm at St. Peter's Catholic Church in Lower Manhattan at the edge of Ground Zero. The event is open to

the public and links New York with people around the world who are praying, doing community service projects and holding observances to mark the United Nations International Day of Peace.

Co-chairs of the event are The Rev. Lyndon Harris and Dr. Frederic Luskin, Dir. of the Stanford Forgiveness Project and author of *Forgive for Good*. Marianne Williamson, author of *A Return to Love* and *The Gift of Change*, will speak. This event will launch the Garden of Forgiveness at Ground Zero project and will include pray for peace in all the nations of the world using the World Peace Flag Ceremony.

For more information on the event, contact:

The Rev. Lyndon F. Harris, Garden of Forgiveness at Ground Zero  
646-458-2444

Dr. Frederic Luskin, Stanford Forgiveness Project  
650-208-7658

Ms. Monica Willard, United Religions Initiative  
631-754-1008

Ms. Dot Maver, Executive Director of the Peace Alliance  
802-272-5504

For more information on the Day of Peace, go to:

[www.worldpeace.org/peaceday.html](http://www.worldpeace.org/peaceday.html)

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## FROM OUR MEMBERS AND PARTNERS

### ■ Agencies Recommend Monetary Donations for Katrina Relief

When considering making a donation for Katrina relief efforts, the NYC Office of Emergency Management (OEM), NYS Emergency Management Office (SEMO), and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) are all unified in the message that "Monetary Donations are Best" and collected items shipped to the disaster area will only impede the response and recovery efforts.

While there may be many well intended efforts to collect goods to assist the victims of Katrina, donated goods are not needed at this time. Many people who would like to donate or collect goods have no plan for packaging, shipping, sorting, warehousing and distributing the donated goods. These goods once they arrive at a disaster will require large amounts of person-power which consequently, is often diverted away from rescue and recovery efforts.

**Distributing relief supplies requires personnel and financial resources within the affected area. When unsolicited truckloads of items arrive at a disaster site there is often no place to unload the goods. This often creates a problem resulting in not being able to utilize the items regardless of the need.**

For more info, go to:

[www.disasternews.net/news/news.php?articleid=2](http://www.disasternews.net/news/news.php?articleid=2)

**It is also recommended that volunteers not self deploy.** Housing is at such a premium that volunteers can be a burden rather than a help.

**To volunteer, check out the following websites and our list below:**

[www.nycares.org](http://www.nycares.org)

[www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

#### ■ **Faith-Based Hurricane Katrina Relief Agencies & Philanthropies**

The following list has been compiled from a variety of sources for informational purposes. With the exception of our member agencies, inclusion on this list does not constitute a recommendation or agency certification by NYDIS. We recommend that all potential donors visit Guidestar and perform their own due diligence about how charity funds will be spent and what percentage of your donated dollars will be used for administrative fees. Additional guidance for donors is available online - a few recommended website links may be found at the bottom of this list.

#### **Adventist Development and Relief Agency**

ADRA Hurricane Relief Fund  
12501 Old Columbia Pike  
Silver Spring, MD 20904  
800-424-ADRA (2372)  
[www.adra.org](http://www.adra.org) | [Donate Online](#)

#### **American Baptist Churches USA**

OGHS-Hurricane Katrina  
OGS Accounting Office  
P.O. Box 851



Valley Forge, PA 19482-0851  
[www.abc-usa.org](http://www.abc-usa.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**America's Second Harvest**

Katrina Relief Fund  
35 E. Wacker Dr., #2000  
Chicago, IL 60601  
800-344-8070  
[www.secondharvest.org](http://www.secondharvest.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**American Friends Service Committee (Quaker)**

1501 Cherry Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19102  
888-588-2372  
[www.afsc.org](http://www.afsc.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee**

Hurricane Katrina Disaster Relief Fund  
Box 321  
847A Second Avenue  
New York, N.Y. 10017  
212-687-6200 ext. 851  
[www.jdc.org](http://www.jdc.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**B'nai B'rith International**

B'nai B'rith Disaster Relief Fund  
2020 K Street NW  
7th Floor  
Washington, DC 20006  
212-490-3290  
[www.bnaibrith.org](http://www.bnaibrith.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Buddhist Peace Fellowship**

[www.bpf.org/html/resources\\_and\\_links/statements/Katrina.html](http://www.bpf.org/html/resources_and_links/statements/Katrina.html)

**Catholic Charities USA**

2005 Hurricane Relief Fund  
PO Box 25168  
Alexandria, VA 22313-9788  
(800) 919-9338  
[www.catholiccharitiesusa.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Christian Children's Fund**

Child Alert Fund  
PO Box 26484  
Richmond, Virginia - 23261-6484  
800-776-6767  
[www.ChristianChildrensFund.org](http://www.ChristianChildrensFund.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Christian Reformed World Relief Committee (CRWRC)**

Hurricane Katrina  
2850 Kalamazoo Ave. SE  
Grand Rapids, MI, 49560  
800-55-CRWRC  
[www.crwrc.org](http://www.crwrc.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Church of the Brethren**

Emergency Disaster Fund.  
1451 Dundee Ave  
Elgin, IL 60120  
800-451-4407

**Church World Service\***

Hurricane Katrina Response  
PO Box 968  
Elkhart, IN 46515  
800-297-1516

[www.churchworldservice.org](http://www.churchworldservice.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Convoy of Hope**

330 S. Patterson Ave.  
Springfield, MO 65802  
800-988-0664

[www.convoyofhope.org](http://www.convoyofhope.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Cooperative Baptist Fellowship**

#17004 Hurricane Relief  
P.O. Box 101699  
Atlanta, Ga., 30392  
800-352-8741

[www.thefellowship.info](http://www.thefellowship.info) | [Donate Online](#)

**Dharma Vijaya Buddhist Vihara, Inc.**

Katrina Relief Fund  
1847 Crenshaw Blvd.  
Los Angeles, CA 90019  
323-737-5084 Fax 323-737-7915

[www.dharmavijaya.org](http://www.dharmavijaya.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Episcopal Relief and Development\***

Hurricane Katrina Response Fund  
P.O. Box 12043  
Newark, NJ 07101  
800-334-7626 x 5129

[www.er-d.org](http://www.er-d.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Food for the Hungry, Inc.**

Katrina Emergency Relief  
1224 E. Washington St.  
Phoenix, AZ 85034  
800-2-HUNGERS

[www.fh.org](http://www.fh.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Green Cross Foundation**

(Donations go to deploy mental health workers, not disaster victims)

[www.greencross.org](http://www.greencross.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Habitat for Humanity International**

Hurricane Recovery Effort  
121 Habitat St  
Americus, GA 31709  
229-924-6935

[www.habitat.org](http://www.habitat.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**International Orthodox Christian Charities\***

Hurricane Katrina Emergency Response  
P.O. Box 630225  
Baltimore, MD 21263-0225  
877-803-IOCC (4622)

[www.iocc.org/index.shtml](http://www.iocc.org/index.shtml) | [Donate Online](#)

**Islamic Circle of North America—ICNA Relief\***

Katrina Relief Operation - ICNA RELIEF

166-26 89th Ave

Jamaica NY 11432

866-637-4357

[www.reliefonline.org](http://www.reliefonline.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Islamic Relief USA**

Hurricane Katrina Disaster Relief

P O BOX 6098

Burbank, Calif. 91510

888-479-4968

[www.irw.org](http://www.irw.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Latter-Day Saint Charities**

Hurricane Relief

50 East North Temple Street, Room 701

Salt Lake City, Utah, 84150-6800

801-240-3544

[www.lds.org](http://www.lds.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Evangelical Lutheran Church\***

ELCA International Disaster Response – Hurricane Katrina

PO Box 71764

Chicago, IL 60694-1764

[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Lutheran Church Missouri Synod World Relief  
and Human Care\***

P.O. Box 66861

St. Louis, MO 63166-9810

800-248-1930 ext. 1380

[www.lcms.org](http://www.lcms.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Mazon: A Jewish Response to Hunger**

1990 South Bundy Drive

Suite 260

Los Angeles, CA 90025

(310) 442-0020

[www.mazon.org](http://www.mazon.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Mennonite Church Committee\***

Hurricane Katrina Response

21 South 12th St.

PO Box 500

Akron, PA 17501-0500

888-563-4676

[www.mcc.org](http://www.mcc.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**National Council of Churches USA/Faithful America**

Hurricane Relief Effort

475 Riverside Dr., Ste 880,

New York, NY 10115-0050

212-870-2227 / Fax: 212-870-2030

[www.faithfulamerica.org](http://www.faithfulamerica.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Nazarene Disaster Response**

Hurricane Katrina Response

Church of the Nazarene

6401 The Paseo

Kansas City, MO 64131-1213

[www.ncm.org](http://www.ncm.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Operation Blessing**

Operation Blessing Hurricane Relief  
977 Centerville Turnpike  
Virginia Beach, VA 23463  
800-436-6348

[www.ob.org](http://www.ob.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**Presbyterian Disaster Assistance\***

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Hurricane Katrina Response  
P. O. Box 643700  
Pittsburgh, PA 15264  
800-872-3283

[www.pcusa.org/pda/index.htm](http://www.pcusa.org/pda/index.htm) | [Donate Online](#)

**Salvation Army, Greater New York Division\***

Hurricane Relief Fund 2005  
120 W. 14th Street  
New York, NY 10011  
212-337-7200

[www.salvationarmy-newyork.org/news/hurr3.htm](http://www.salvationarmy-newyork.org/news/hurr3.htm) | [Donate Online](#)

**Samaritan's Purse**

Hurricane Katrina Relief  
P.O. Box 3000  
Boone, NC 28607  
Phone (828) 262-1980 Fax (828) 266-1053

[www.samaritanspurse.org/home.asp](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/home.asp) | [Donate Online](#)

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

58 Progress Parkway  
Saint Louis, MO 63043-3706  
(314) 576-3993

[www.svdpusa.org](http://www.svdpusa.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**UJA-Federation of New York**

Katrina Relief Fund  
PO BOX 27887  
New York, NY 10087  
212-836-1880

[www.ujafedny.org](http://www.ujafedny.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**United Church of Christ\***

UCC Hurricane Recovery Fund  
700 Prospect Avenue  
Cleveland, OH 44115

[www.ucc.org](http://www.ucc.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**United Jewish Communities**

Hurricane Katrina Disaster Relief Fund  
Box 321  
847A Second Ave  
New York, NY 10017  
212-687-6200

[www.ujc.org](http://www.ujc.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**United Methodist Committee on Relief\***

UMCOR – Hurricane Relief  
Room 330  
475 Riverside Drive

New York, NY 10115  
800-554-8583  
[www.gbgm-umc.org/umcor](http://www.gbgm-umc.org/umcor) | [Donate Online](#)

**United Sikhs Ghanaia\***

Katrina Hurricane Relief  
28 Vesey St., #2133  
New York, NY 10007  
888-243-1690  
[www.unitedsikhs.org](http://www.unitedsikhs.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**World Concern**

Hurricane Katrina Relief  
19303 Fremont Avenue North  
Seattle, WA 98133  
800-755-5022  
[www.worldconcern.org](http://www.worldconcern.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**World Relief**

Hurricane Katrina Response  
7 East Baltimore St  
Baltimore MD 21202  
800-535-5433  
[www.worldrelief.org](http://www.worldrelief.org) | [Donate Online](#)

**World Vision**

P.O. Box 70288  
Tacoma, WA 98481-0288  
800-56-CHILD  
[www.worldvision.org](http://www.worldvision.org) | [Donate Online](#)

*\* Indicates membership relationship*

**Other Websites to Check Out:**

Guidance on Relief Agencies  
[www.guidestar.org](http://www.guidestar.org)

Network for Good  
[www.networkforgood.org](http://www.networkforgood.org)

National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD)  
[www.nvoad.org](http://www.nvoad.org)

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**PREPAREDNESS CORNER**

- **Katrina is a powerful reminder that we should be prepared. Take action!**
  - **Make a Plan**
  - **Get a Kit**
  - **Be Informed**
  - **Get Involved**
  - **Hold a Training**

**For help with actions, contact:**

Susan Lockwood, Director  
Disaster Response and Training

• **National Preparedness Month Events**

  		
9/12	Picnic in the Park - A Senior Health Fair	Devoe Park, Bronx, 10am-2pm
9/12	Ready New York at Mount Zion Baptist Church	Brooklyn, 5pm
9/12	"In the Balance" series airs on PBS	WNET, Channel 13, 10pm
9/14	Dept. of Homeland Security Regional Preparation & Readiness Conference	Long Island, NY, 7am-12:30pm
9/14	Annual Senior Stroll in Gateway National Park	Staten Island, 10am
9/14	Together We Prepare (Chinese)	Manhattan, 4:30pm-7pm
9/17	Weed & Seed Program, John Adam Houses	Bronx, 10am
9/17	Senior Wellness Expo, 1727 Broadway	Manhattan
9/17	Consumer Action Day, Riverbank State Park	Manhattan, 11am-3pm
9/17-18	Richmond County Fair	Staten Island, 11am
9/18	Columbus Avenue Festival (66th-86th Streets)	Manhattan, 11am-6pm
9/19	"In the Balance" series airs on PBS	WNET, Channel 13, 10pm
9/21	MetroTech Corporate Fair	Brooklyn, 10am-3pm
9/22	American Red Cross Commuter Outreach	Transportation hubs, 5pm-8pm
9/24	Baby Safety Fair	Staten Island, 12pm

For more information, visit [OEM's upcoming events](#) page.

• **Ready New York Guides Available in Hard Copy or Online**



To order Ready New York household preparedness guides, call 311.

To view or download household preparedness guides, go to:

[www.nyc.gov](http://www.nyc.gov)

• **OEM Offers Hurricane Awareness and Education Resources**

To remind New Yorkers about the coastal storm hazards they face and the importance



of taking steps to prepare for the hurricane season, OEM has introduced a new hurricane awareness ad campaign.



To learn more, go to:

[www.nyc.gov/html/oem/html/readynewyork/hazard\\_hurricane.html](http://www.nyc.gov/html/oem/html/readynewyork/hazard_hurricane.html)

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## JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN DISASTER SERVICES

- **Emergency Preparedness Specialist**

NYC Office of Emergency Management

For job description and info, go to:

[www.nyc.gov/html/oem/html/about/jobs\\_health\\_specialist.html](http://www.nyc.gov/html/oem/html/about/jobs_health_specialist.html)



For information, contact:

Maryann Marrocolo

Director of Plan Management

[mmarrocolo@oem.nyc.gov](mailto:mmarrocolo@oem.nyc.gov)

- **One Part-Time AmeriCorps Position Available at NYDIS**

NYDIS seeks applicants for one part-time AmeriCorps opening that runs one year, from now-May 2006. The position is open in our Disaster Planning and Training Office. Qualifications include bachelor's degree or equivalent experience.

The AmeriCorps living stipend is \$6,000, plus transportation, health insurance, childcare subsidies and a \$2,750 education award upon completion of the program.

To apply, email or fax:

Peter B. Gudaitis, M.Div

Executive Director & CEO

NYDIS - New York Disaster Interfaith Services

22 Cortlandt Street, 20th Floor

New York, NY 10007

Email: [pgudaitis@nydis.org](mailto:pgudaitis@nydis.org)

Fax: 212-669-6101



No phone calls.

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[www.nydis.org](http://www.nydis.org)

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## WE RECOMMEND...

- Check out the Century Foundation report on Terrorism, Mental Health and September 11 at:

[www.tcf.org](http://www.tcf.org)

- Check out the following websites related to Katrina and immigrants:



[www.hardbeatnews.com/editor/RTE/my\\_documents/my\\_files/details.asp?newsid=4740](http://www.hardbeatnews.com/editor/RTE/my_documents/my_files/details.asp?newsid=4740)

<http://www.clarionledger.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20050904/NEWS0110/509040364/1002>

[www.ilw.com/immigdaily](http://www.ilw.com/immigdaily)

- The NYDIS statement on the London Bombing is still on our website, as well as resources and other helpful info on disaster recovery and preparedness. Go to: [www.nydis.org](http://www.nydis.org)

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