

Spartanburg County Volunteer Organizations Active in a Disaster

**** Minutes**
August 28, 2009**

The Spartanburg County VOAD convened at 10:00 am on Friday, December 19, 2008 at the American Red Cross.

Those present were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organizations</u>
Miriam Hart	DHEC/Medical Reserve Corp
Jenny Holmes	SRHS - Congregational Nursing
Georgia Lanford	SRHS - Congregational Nursing
Kelly Stafford	American Red Cross
Robbie Swofford	Emergency Management/CERT
Vivian Tanner	Mobile Meals
Marge Woodruff	ARC/CERT/Southern Baptist Disaster Relief

The following agenda items were addressed:

CALL TO ORDER – Robbie Swofford

Robbie Swofford called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

WHAT'S NEW WITH YOUR AGENCY:

- ARC - Partner Services - Partner services is in the process of organizing resources
- Southern Baptist Disaster Relief - Marge had nothing new to report
- Mobile Meals - Mobile Meals is experiencing an increase in walk-ins who are in the need of food. However, to everyone's knowledge, there is no food bank in Spartanburg County. However, Harvest Ministries was referenced as a potential source of food. In addition, Vivian referenced her struggles to pick up grocery donations. Robbie and Miriam agreed to assist her with this issue. In addition, Kelly referenced the new United Way initiative opening on 9/1/09. Apparently, for a small fee, non-profits can gain access to numerous resource items.
- ARC - Piedmont Chapter - ARC has taken large steps to improve their DAT team. In just a few months they have established a strong core of DAT volunteers. They are currently going to every fire department in an effort to educate them about DAT so if needed DAT will be utilized.
- Congregational Nursing - With Flu Season upon us, Congregational nursing has updated their H1N1 packets and are distributing them. They expect a surge in H1N1 interest as the flu season approached
- CERT - The Summer of 09 was the busiest in regards to training. The next CERT class is scheduled for 9/15/09.

CLOSING REMAKRS – ADJOURNED 10:45 AM

Mr. Swofford thanked everyone for coming. The next SCVOAD meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2009 at 10:00am. This meeting will take place at Mobile Meals. The focus of this meeting will be the November Volunteer Reception Center Exercise.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robbie Swofford

Robbie Swofford

Senior Research Analyst/CERT Coordinator

Spartanburg County Office of Emergency Management