

**Attachment V**  
**SECTION 1**  
**Training**

Promote preparedness of church members, employees, and those who have agreed to volunteer to help execute this plan.

- (1) Obtain locally prepared information on Disaster Preparedness and distribute it to your members. This information is available from local governments, Radio/TV stations, Salvation Army etc.
- (2) Host a disaster preparedness workshop yearly at your church.
- (3) Provide your church members with a list of local workshops that they could attend. Your local Emergency Operations Center can provide you with a list of workshops and training courses.
- (4) Annually, provide training to group leaders. This training should provide all of the requirements that will make this group leader an effective neighborhood leader during an emergency. This training should include:
  - a. How to organize your group.
  - b. How to communicate with your group.
  - c. What is expected from the group leader?
  - d. When do they report and to whom do they report.
- (5) Host a course in basic First Aid for the preparedness of church members.
- (6) Annually, provide training to church staff. This training should include:
  - a. First Aid
  - b. Defibrillators
  - c. Evacuation and safe room procedures.
  - d. Notification procedures
  - e. Preparing church property for an emergency
  - f. Backing up and protection of church files
- (7) Annually, Provide specialized training as necessary for those who will be in charge of various portions of this plan. (Such training should include periodic drills or other attempts to test the plan as realistically as possible.)

## SECTION 2

### SOURCES FOR INFORMATION AND TRAINING

Peace River Presbytery Disaster Preparedness and Response Committee

PDA -- PDA (National Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Program) [www.pcusa.org/pda](http://www.pcusa.org/pda)

Florida Conference of United Church of Christ

American Red Cross

Salvation Army -- Among others, they have a course “Preparing Your Congregation”

Church World Service -- Disaster Training 305-972-5568

FEMA -- Training for Local Community Preparedness

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

CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Volunteer Training

State Program Office 850-413-9891

EOC- Emergency Operations Center for your County or City

OEM - Office of Emergency Management  
(Education and Mitigation Training) -

OEM is a prime source for emergency actions and public policy training. Access on behalf of community especially for those who fall through the cracks – elderly, children, the poor and less educated the vulnerable.

United Methodist Church -- Florida Conference Disaster Recovery Training

Lakeland – 863-688-5563

1-282-8011

### OTHER

The Disaster News Network Web site [www.disasternews.net](http://www.disasternews.net)

PDAT (National Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Team) Volunteers