

ATTACHMENT XII
SECTION 1
OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY

OFFICIAL DISASTER SHELTER – Each church needs to check with their Emergency Management People & the Red Cross to see if they will qualify.

SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTER – Each church needs to check with their Emergency Management People & the Red Cross to see if they will qualify.

HOST SHELTER – If your facility does not qualify as an official disaster shelter, for before & during, you may want to consider being a host shelter after the disaster. There are suggestions of possibilities listed below.

DISTRIBUTION CENTER – Each church needs to check with their Emergency Management People & the Red Cross to see if they will qualify.

TEMPORARY HOUSING – Church members open their homes or provide a temporary place for evacuees.

ADOPT A FAMILY – Church may help meet the needs of a specific family.

ADOPT A PET – Church members take in pets that have been separated from their family.

DAY/ELDER CARE – Church provides day care for elders or children while family members clean up after the disaster

DAILY MEALS – Church may provide daily meals to the community.

PASTORAL SERVICES – Pastors, who are willing to meet with people affected by the disaster, provide services, comfort, funerals etc.

SUPPORT GROUPS – Church provides small group meetings to the community, where people can come and talk about the effects of the disaster.

VOLUNTEER GROUPS – Church provides volunteer groups to do home repairs, debris clean up, tree removal, translation services for non-English speaking persons, transportation.

OUTREACH TO OTHER CHURCHES – Church reaches out to help another church that has been affected by disaster. Example: To provide a temporary place of worship.

EDUCATION – Church provides programs on disaster preparedness, first aid, and personal preparedness programs. Some of these may be done in cooperation with the Emergency Management people or Red Cross.

COMMUNICATIONS – Church develop a plan to help people communicate with family and friends in other areas.

NVOAD- National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

Compassion Alliance Provides relief to disaster situations.

www.compassionalliance.org