

# FEMA: Week in Review



Louisiana Recovery Office  
New Orleans, LA

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**WELCOME**  
**Flat Stanley and Flat Stella**



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## Announcements

## New FEMA Ambassadors Promote Preparedness

### Port of St. Bernard Associated Terminals Office Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

On July 10, St. Bernard Parish officials, port commissioners, owner/director of Associated Terminals and others gathered for the ribbon cutting event at the Port of St. Bernard Associated Terminals new office building located at 8000 St. Bernard Highway in Arabi. The St. Bernard Port Harbor and Terminal District is a full-service marine terminal and inter-modal facility and Associated Terminals is the exclusive operator of the port's marine facilities.



The Associated Terminals office/warehouse facility consists of a 160-foot by 350-foot warehouse in the rear and a two-story, 10,000-square-foot office building attached in the front. The facility sustained flood and wind damages from Hurricane Katrina and both the warehouse and the office building were eligible for repairs. FEMA has obligated **\$3.1 million** in Hurricane Katrina-related funds for this Improved Project. Overall FEMA has obligated a total of **\$21.8 million** for the Port of St. Bernard for both hurricanes Katrina and Gustav.

Arabi, LA, July 10, 2012 – Louisiana Recovery Office staff was on hand for the ribbon cutting of the Associated Terminal's new office building. From left to right: Assessor Jaylynn Turner; Sheriff James Pohlmann; Associated Terminals Owner/Director David Fennelly; St. Bernard Parish President David E. Peralta; Port Commissioner Joch LeBlanc; Port Director Robert Scaffel; and Port Commissioners Harold Anderson and Bradley Cantrell. FEMA/Jenny Campora

The modern and innovative architectural design of the building is worth noting. It reflects St. Bernard Port's theme of "Think Positive St. Bernard" and is indicative of their commitment to post Katrina growth.

Two of FEMA's newest employees, **Flat Stanley and Flat Stella**, will help children learn more about disasters and emergencies, and what they can do to help their families build more resilient households. As part of this new education initiative, the Flats will post updates on the FEMA blog chronicling their adventures around FEMA ([blog postings](#)). FEMA is excited about the collaboration between the Ready Campaign and the Flat Stanley project. Many schools in the U.S. and Louisiana use Flat Stanley and integrate his adventures into classroom lesson plans.

## Calendar

July 23: St. Roch Market Groundbreaking, New Orleans, La.

July 23-24: 2nd Annual Conference on "[Building Resilience through Public Private Partnerships](#)". Colorado Springs, Co.

July 24: [Think Tank Conference Call](#) 3:15 CST

July 25: Plaquemines Medical Center Groundbreaking, Port Sulphur, La.

Aug. 2-4: 2012 Louisiana Municipal Association Conference, Lake Charles, La.

### Algiers Regional Library Grand Opening

The grand opening of the Algiers Regional Library, the fifth library to open in New Orleans this year, took place on July 11. FEMA provided funding to the city of New Orleans for repairs to the Algiers Regional Library, which was severely damaged as a result of Hurricane Katrina.



LRO staff attend the Algiers Regional Library grand opening. From left to right: LRO Deputy of Support Services Melanie Mitchell; Executive Director Joe Threat; and Public Assistance staff members Ronnie Fairley and Dale Peterson. FEMA/Lillie Long

The new library, a two-story facility with almost double the square footage of the original structure, includes additional functional areas for study rooms, meeting rooms, a teen area, story time area and courtyard that did not exist in the original facility. FEMA obligated a capped improved project for a total of \$946,064 for Katrina damages at the Algiers Regional Library. Overall FEMA has obligated **\$19.3 million** for the New Orleans Public Library System.

## Housing Update

No Temporary Housing Units

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