

# FEMA: Week in Review

Louisiana Recovery Office



**March 14 to March 18, 2011**

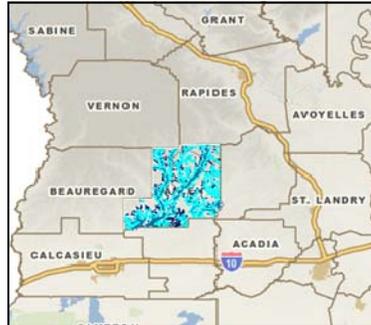
## Announcements

### Allen Parish Flood Maps Go Into Effect

Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps (DFIRMs) became effective **March 17, 2011** for Allen Parish.

For more information about the maps or mapping process, contact a FEMA Map Specialist at 1-877-FEMA-MAP (1-877-336-2627), send an email to [FEMAMapSpecialist@riskmapcds.com](mailto:FEMAMapSpecialist@riskmapcds.com) or visit <http://go.usa.gov/r6C> to chat live.

Individuals may also consult with their local Allen Parish floodplain administrator at **(337) 639-4328** with questions on which flood map or elevations to use going forward when rebuilding.



## Events

### Chalmette High School Cultural Arts Building Gala and Grand Opening - Friday, March 18



The Chalmette High School Cultural Arts Building is a new venue for the St. Bernard Parish public school students, which was constructed post-Katrina on the campus of Chalmette High School. The building boasts of a 420-seat performing arts theater, two dance studios, choral and instrumental music rooms with recording capabilities, a lecture/technology theater, library for the adjacent ninth grade academy and space for a public library.

The building was financed by a combination of funding through FEMA, the Office of Community Development, and private donations from community partners including: Exxon-Mobil, the Meraux Foundation, the Lions Club International Foundation, Entergy, and the CHS Cultural Arts Foundation, Albert Carey, founder.

FEMA has obligated \$56.9 million to date for both Chalmette High School and the ninth Grade Academy (formerly Lacoste Elementary).

FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from and mitigate all hazards.

## Calendar

**March 17:** DFIRMs for Allen Parish go into effect.

**March 20-25:** National Emergency Management Association, Mid-Year Meeting, Alexandria, Va.

**March 30:** Louisiana Business Emergency Operations Center MET Seminar.

**March 31:** Cameron Parish Library Grand Opening.

**April 18- April 22:** National Hurricane Conference, Atlanta.

**May 1- May 4:** National Flood Conference, New Orleans, La.

**May 13:** Individual Assistance Emergency Support Function 6 Annual Conference [Registration Deadline](#).

## Recent Obligations

- Museum of West Louisiana, Vernon Parish: \$122,739
- St. Roch Market, Orleans Parish: \$786,052
- Theatre of Performing Arts, Orleans Parish: \$343,203
- Boothville Community Center, Plaquemines Parish: \$540,363
- Empire Shipyard, Plaquemines Parish: \$410,063
- Storm Drain Cleaning, Terrebonne Parish: \$2,722,886
- Roads and Streets, Jefferson Parish: \$1,194,757

## Housing Update:

Katrina/Rita: **418** occupied units  
Gustav/Ike: **76** occupied units

