

# FEMA: Week in Review



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## Calendar

**Sept. 1-** National Preparedness Month begins

**Sept. 22-** Region VI Administrator Tony Russell will testify before a House Subcommittee about lessons learned from Hurricane Katrina.

**Oct 17-21** – National Association of Emergency Managers Annual Conference, Little Rock, AR

**Oct. 29-Nov. 4** - International Association of Emergency Managers Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX

**Nov. 2-5** - Floodplain Management Association Annual Conference, Henderson, NV

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**August 28 to September 3, 2010**

## Announcements

### Disaster Preparedness Month

September is National Preparedness Month. During this national campaign, all are encouraged to participate in activities to increase public awareness about emergency preparedness.

Citizens are encouraged to take steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses and communities. Please take a moment to view a video message from FEMA Administrator Craig Fugate encouraging all to be prepared and to spread the message within our communities and to our extended families.

<http://online.fema.net/pao/video/administrator>

### 5th Year Katrina Commemorations Held

Residents across Louisiana marked the 5th year remembrance of Hurricane Katrina by hosting several events during the week. This years events took on a celebratory tone and at the same time memorialized those who lost their lives. Several highlighted events included: President Barack Obama delivering a speech at Xavier University of Louisiana, a Katrina Memorial Ceremony at Shell Beach, Laura Bush's visit to Chalmette High School, and a Katrina Memorial Candlelight Vigil at the Mahalia Jackson Theatre for the Performing Arts.



## Housing Update

Katrina/Rita:  
680 occ. units

Gustav/Ike:  
228 occ. units

### Noteworthy: Salmen High School Ribbon Cutting Ceremony



A ribbon cutting ceremony was held recently for Salmen High School in St. Tammany Parish. 14 out of 15 buildings that comprised Salmen High School in Slidell were destroyed and required total replacement. Only one building, the science building, was deemed eligible for repair. FEMA provided a total of \$70,166,263 in public assistance grants for emergency protective measures, building repairs, facility replacement, temporary facilities, and building contents.

## LRO Internet

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Revitalizing Communities  
*5 Years after Katrina and Rita*

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**Katrina/Rita**  
The 5th Commemoration

August 29, 2010  
September 24, 2010

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.

