

Whole Community Response to Hurricane Ida

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BATON ROUGE, La. – As Louisiana makes strides recovering from Hurricane Ida, the united effort of government, private sector, nongovernmental agencies and humanitarian groups to meet survivors' needs remains strong. Recovery after a disaster requires all levels of government, nonprofit organizations, private-sector businesses, and even survivors — each drawing upon their skills and capabilities to meet the needs of disaster survivors.

Ironton, La. – Disaster Survivor Assistance (DSA) crews canvassed entire neighborhoods, helping survivors apply for assistance and learn about available programs. More than 51,000 survivors have been contacted through the combined effort of DSA crews going door to door and those assigned to about two dozen community locations throughout the state. *Photo by Julie Joseph, FEMA*



Metairie, La. – FEMA American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters and a Certified Deaf Interpreter, along with the Louisiana Association of the Deaf, helped survivors who are deaf or hard of hearing apply for disaster assistance during a community outreach event. Many more of these activities are underway to ensure disaster assistance is available to everyone, including people with disabilities.



Photo by Keith Jones, FEMA.



Chauvin, La. -- Members of the volunteer organization Cajun Army work tirelessly, providing hundreds of basic needs items to survivors who lost nearly all their possessions during Hurricane Ida. *Photo by Keith Jones, FEMA.*



Bayou Blue, La. -- Soldiers from the 836th Sapper Company of the 176th Engineer Brigade (Texas Army National Guard) prepare vegetative debris for removal during their debris clearing operations at a local middle school. *Photo by Sgt. Agustin G. Salazar, National Guard*





Thibodaux, La. – To alleviate the burden of local health care facilities that lost valuable resources after Hurricane Ida, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Disaster Medical Assistance Team provided medical care to hurricane survivors. *Photo by Julie Joseph, FEMA.*



Montegut, La. – Members of the Pointe-au-Chien Tribe, including its Tribal Council, and staff of the Houston Rockets basketball team help distribute donations of water, food and cleaning supplies to those impacted by Hurricane Ida in Montegut, a city in Terrebonne Parish. *Photo by Julie Joseph, FEMA.*





New Orleans, La. -- FEMA specialists at a temporary Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) at the Milne Recreation Center fill out applications, provide status updates and answer inquiries for survivors who were impacted by Hurricane Ida. *Photo by Julie Joseph, FEMA.*



St. Tammany Parish, La. – Delivering relief and hope to survivors, contractors work throughout the day to install temporary roofs on homes damaged by Hurricane Ida. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Operation Blue Roof has installed nearly 9,000 blue roofs in four weeks, providing homeowners and rental properties in disaster areas with fiber-reinforced sheeting to cover their damaged roofs. *Photo by Bri Sanchez, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.*





LaPlace, La. – In an effort to restore a sense of normalcy for disaster survivors, Tide Loads of Hope provided free laundry services to LaPlace residents impacted by Hurricane Ida. *Photo by Julie Joseph, FEMA.*



Donaldsonville, La. -- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers support the FEMA-assigned Temporary Emergency Power Mission as part of the Hurricane Ida response in southeastern Louisiana. Servicemen inspect a generator at a water treatment plant. *Photo by Carol Vernon, USACE.*





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