

Emergency Services March Newsletter

American Red Cross - Badger Chapter

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February Disaster Responses:

The Badger Chapter responded to 8 disaster incidents in February. 11 cases were opened and 29 people were assisted. Case count by county is as follows:

- Adams: 1
- Columbia: 2
- Dane: 3
- Sauk: 5

Thank you Volunteers!

Badger Chapter has updated our website! We've added a ton of information that is beneficial to our volunteers! Visit www.arcbadger.org and slide your cursor over the Emergency Services Tab; a list of options will be displayed. Chose 'ES Calendar' to see the current calendar and details about trainings, meetings, volunteer events and exercises. Chose 'ES Newsletter' to view past department newsletters. Chose 'Resources for Disaster Volunteers' to obtain tools for you to use such as, ES trainings throughout WI, training checklists, course descriptions, link to LMS and more! Take some time to visit all the Emergency Services Pages and set our website as your computer's homepage! If you have any questions or feedback our website, let us know!



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March ES Meetings

- Material Support Services, 03/04/10 , 6:00-7:00pm, Madison Office, conference line available
- Iowa & Lafayette Volunteer Meeting & Training, 3/4/10, 5:30-9:30 Grace Lutheran Church, Dodgeville WI
- Partner Services, 3/8/10, 4:30-5:30, Conference call
- AOC & TL, 3/9/10, 6:00-7:00pm, Madison Office
- Dane County DAT, 3/9/10, 7:00-8:00pm, Classroom C, Madison Office
- Juneau County Volunteer Meeting, 3/10/10, 6:00-7:00pm, Hatch Public Library, Mauston WI
- Columbia County Volunteer Meeting, 3/16/10, 6:00-7:00pm, Portage Library, Portage WI
- Sauk County Volunteer Meeting, 3/18/10, 6:00-7:00pm, Chamber of Commerce, Baraboo

Volunteer Opportunities & Reminders

- DAT Public Affairs On-Call Volunteer— Tell the story of the Red Cross disaster relief and inform affected communities about how to obtain Red Cross help.
- Community Disaster Educator— Educate your community on preparing for disasters.
- Training Coordinator Volunteer— Help coordinate the disaster training program.
- Contact Kathi Collins at badgercdv@arcbadger.org if you are interested to learn more!
- The remodel is in full swing. Emergency Services Offices have been temporarily relocated to the Lower Level of the Madison Office. ES will be back to the regular main level location by March 9th. Until March 9th, please call in advance before coming in so we can direct you to our department and an open work station.
- Save the Date: Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon Wednesday April 28th 2010 from 11:30 AM -1:00 PM at the at the Candlewood Suites in Fitchburg.



Dave Sharpe volunteers like a rock star in the office!

March ES Trainings. Sign Up Today!

Take the opportunities to meet great people and get free Red Cross Training! Email es@arcbadger.org to register.

- Fulfilling Our Mission, 3/2/10, 5:30-8:30pm Badger Chapter, Madison WI.
- Disaster Assessment Basics, 3/4/10, 6:00-9:30pm, Grace Lutheran Church, Dodgeville WI
- Psychological First Aid, 3/6/10; 10:00-2:00, ARC Office in Prairie du Chine WI.
- International Humanitarian Law, 3/10/10, 8:30am-12:00pm, Badger Chapter, Madison WI
- Fundamentals of Disaster Assessment, 3/11/10, 5:30-9:30pm, Badger Chapter, Madison WI.
- DAT Simulation, 3/15/10, 5:30pm, Badger Chapter, Madison WI.
- Shelter Operations, 3/16/10, 5:30-9:30, Reedsburg Public Library, Reedsburg WI.
- Bulk Distribution Operations, 3/17/10, 5:30 -
- Client Casework 3/20/10, 8:00-4:30pm, Badger Chapter, Madison WI.
- DAT Training Camp, 3/20-21, Piggly Wiggly Lancaster Room, Lancaster WI
 - 3/20, 9:00-5:00, Fulfilling Our Mission, DAT 101, Shelter Ops.
 - 3/21, 9:00-5:00, Client Casework
- Psychological First Aid, 3/23/10, 5:30-9:30, Badger Chapter, Madison WI.
- ERV Ready, Set, Roll & Road Tests, 3/27/10, 9:00-5:00pm, Badger Chapter, Madison WI.

Check Out our website for ES trainings scheduled in other parts of the state.

- Southeast WI Region Training Conference March 25-28, 2010
- Western WI Region Training Spring & Summer Training Schedule

“Always walk through life as if you have something new to learn and you will”

~V. Howard

Service Center Exercise

On February 20, twelve Badger Chapter volunteers participated in a joint Service Center Exercise with representatives from St. Vincent de Paul. Red Cross caseworkers interviewed clients, filled out casework forms and provided referrals to St. Vincent de Paul. Clients then crossed to the other side of the room and met with a St. Vincent de Paul representative and were provided vouchers to St. Vincent de Paul stores and food pantry. Red Cross Disaster Mental Health volunteers participated in the exercise and received many client referrals. The exercise provided both Red Cross and St. Vincent de Paul personnel an opportunity to learn about what the other organization does, what services are available to clients, and how both organizations work together to meet the needs of clients following a disaster.



Haiti Response Update

Feb. 24 2010

The Red Cross has helped more than 1.3 million people since the earthquake, and will continue to until the last donated dollar is spent. The needs in Haiti are immense, and no single organization can help Haiti recover. Red Cross will work closely with other organizations to collaborate on and support long-term recovery projects.

The American Red Cross has spent or allocated \$80 million to meet the most urgent needs of Haiti's earthquake survivors (as 02/23/10). To meet immediate needs, 69 percent of the funds spent or allocated by the American Red Cross have been for food and water; 20 percent for shelter; and 11 percent for health and family services.

Food & Relief Supplies:

Volunteers from around the world, including the American Red Cross, are distributing food and supplies, like tarps, rope, hygiene kits, water containers and cooking items. So far, at least 1.3 million people have received these basic, yet life-sustaining items.

Water & Sanitation:

The Red Cross has delivered more than 25 million liters of safe drinking water in 110 different settlements since the earthquake, enough for 320,000 people. The Red Cross and its partners have collectively set up 2,600 latrines to date.

Health:

More than 25,000 people have been treated by Red Cross health care facilities.

Restoring Family Links:

So far, nearly 33,000 people have been assisted by helping people register at the family linking Web site, placing phone calls to loved ones and finding family members. The American Red Cross is also supporting people living in the United States who are looking for immediate relatives in Haiti.



Future Relief:

All humanitarian organizations, including the Red Cross, are racing against the clock to provide water-proof shelter to everyone who needs it before the rainy season begins in April. The Red Cross plans to provide emergency shelter supplies – tents, tarps or tools – for 400,000 people before the rainy season officially begins.

Relief Workers:

The American Red Cross has deployed more than 100 people to help with the relief efforts in Haiti, including staff members who were there at the time of the earthquake. In total, more than 600 Red Cross and Red Crescent workers from more than 30 countries are in Haiti, supporting the more than 3,000 Haitian Red Cross volunteers in Port-au-Prince and 10,000 HRC volunteers nationwide.

Each Red Cross society team has its own roles and expertise on the ground. Working together, the global Red Cross network forms a very powerful engine for relief.

Chile Earthquake Response

Feb. 28 2010

On February 27, 2010 at about 3:35 a.m, an earthquake of magnitude 8.8 occurred in the moderately populated region of Bio-Bio in central Chile.

- The death toll from Chile's earthquake is 708 and is expected to rise further. The total number of people affected is near 2 million.
- Power and communications networks were still largely out of operation as of February 28, hampering search and rescue efforts.
- The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies released \$280,000 from its Disaster Emergency Response Fund to support Chilean Red Cross relief operations.
- American Red Cross has made available \$50,000 from its International Response Fund in support of Red Cross response operations.
- The Chilean Red Cross has activated and is assisting people affected by the earthquake. They are providing limited search and rescue, first aid and relief supplies distribution.

Welcome New ES Volunteers

Beverly Muhlenbeck- Health Services (Columbia Cty.)
 Rebecca Hoppe- Health Services (Sauk County)
 Ben Stevens- DAT (Sauk County) & SAF
 Diana Eastridge- Heath Services & CDE (Dane)
 Jason Krueger- DAT (Day- Dane)
 Steven Faulkner- SAF (Dane)

Fred Williams- SAF (Dane)
 Sarah Pfatteicher- DAT & DSHR (Dane)
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Learn How You Can :

**Become a Disaster Relief Worker
Provide Services to Armed Forces (SAF)
Get involved in International Services (IS)
Prepare the Community for Disaster (CDE)
Grow with ARC through training & certification**

Be Red Cross Ready.

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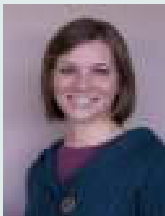
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