# HUMAN SERVICE RESPONSE INITIATIVE IMPACT AREA REPORT OF OCTOBER 25, 2005 Contact David Duplechian, 436-9533

#### **SUSTENANCE**

**Current Status:** 

## Hot Meals:

- The Salvation Army continues to operate canteens at various locations, including the Martin Luther King Center in Lake Charles, the Pin Oak Trailer Park in Sulphur, the Lawrence Toups Park in Iowa, the Starks Silver Dollar at 109 River Rd. in Starks, the Hackberry Community Center, the Westlake Community Center, and Reeves High School.
- The Red Cross is providing meals at the Civic Center shelter at noon and 6:00 p.m.
- Zion Tabernacle Baptist Church, 910 N. Shattuck, is serving lunch from 11:00-1:00 and dinner from 4:30 6:00. Call 436-6627.
- Abraham's Tent serves lunch. Call 439-9330.
- Calcasieu Council on Aging is providing Meals on Wheels for elderly residents. Call 474-2583.

## Food Baskets, etc.

- The ESSA Food Pantry is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 1:00-3:00, located in Abraham's Tent. Food and clothing are available. Call 439-9330.
- Sale Street Baptist Church is providing food, water, personal hygiene items and cleaning supplies, Monday-Friday from 10:00-3:00 at the Sale Street Baptist Annex, 1631 W. Sale Rd. Call 478-7490.
- First Presbyterian Church is distributing food Monday-Friday from 9-noon at 1801 Second Ave. Call 433-4667.
- The Calcasieu Women's Shelter has food, clothing and diapers. Call 436-4552.

## SHELTER AND HOUSING

- The Civic Center is currently being used as a Red Cross shelter and can house up to 1,000 people. Currently, there are 230 people in the shelter.
- People who need a travel trailer to live in while their homes are being repaired should contact their insurance companies and FEMA. To get a FEMA trailer, residents must call 800-621-3362, or go to the Disaster Recovery Center at the Leadership Center, 1701 Ryan. You must have power, water and sewerage on site.
- People who need temporary housing, or anyone who wants to share their home with displaced people or families or out of town volunteers who are here to help can register online at www.shareyourhome.org, or by calling 433-3456.
- SWLA Legal Services, 436-3308, can help people with legal issues arising from the rental of homes and apartments, eviction notices, etc.

- Debris cleanup services are available for elderly residents by calling the Calcasieu Council on Aging, 474-2583.
- Debris cleanup is also available by calling Oak Park United Methodist Church at 478-2290.

#### **CHILD/YOUTH CARE**

#### Current Status:

- 21 daycare facilities are open and accepting new children. These include:
  - Adventures in Wonderland, 497-0684, 711 11<sup>th</sup> St.
  - Another Beautiful Creation, 474-2499, 3105 S. Gen Wainwright
  - Briar Patch Child Care, 477-5961, 4323 La Ave.
  - First Pentecostal Church, 433-4853, 1201 Continental Blvd.
  - First United Methodist Church, 433-4570, 812 Kirkman.
  - Kids Kottage, 433-2561, 1551 East Main
  - Kinder Care, 478-8086, 4630 Nelson Rd.
  - Lil Rascals Child Care, 477-2020, 4506 Ihles Road
  - New Sunlight Baptist Church, 436-8965, 515 VE Washington St.
  - Saint John's Little Lambs, 478-2659, 600 University
  - Ships Ahoy, 494-0280, 1639 Ryan
  - United Christian Fellowship Ministries, 497-1285, 2900 Opelousas St.
  - University United Methodist, 478-4347, 3501 Patrick
  - Ree Rees, 433-1007, 1801 Corbello Road, LeBleu Settlement
  - Bright Beginnings Child Care, 855-3989, 1971 Sam Houston Jones Pkwy., Moss Bluff
  - First Baptist Church, 527-5231, 517 S. Huntington St., Sulphur
  - Heaven's Precious Angels, 527-2860, 732 E. Burton, Sulphur
  - Henning Memorial United Methodist, 527-3838, 404 S. Huntington, Sulphur
  - A Child's Reflection Day Care, 626-7795, 943 Prater Rd., Sulphur
  - Building Blocks Pre School, 583-8687, 5255 Hwy 27 S, Carlyss
  - Fundamentals Daycare, 433-0656, 920 Harrison St., Westlake

## RECREATION

- The Leadership Center, 309 N. Huntington St., Sulphur, is open Tuesday Thursday, 2-8, and Friday-Saturday, 2-9, for youth ages 12 to 17. Call 527-7729.
- Big Brothers Big Sisters, 4135 Common, is open Monday Friday, 7:30-5:30, beginning Monday, October 17. Call 478-5437.
- The Imperial Calcasieu Soccer Association has soccer clinics and pickup games for registered soccer players on Tuesdays and Thursday, October 25 and 27, and will have jamborees on Saturday October 29 and November 5. Contact Paul Burgess, 480-4119, for times.
- The following Community Recreation Centers are open Monday-Friday at the following times:

- Henry Heights, 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- Goosport, 11:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
- College Oaks and Columbus Circle, 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
- McMillan, 3:30-7:30 p.m.
- University, 5:00-7:00 p.m. on MWF for Karate Classes only.
- Halloween celebrations will be held on October 31 from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at the following locations:
  - Martin Luther King Center, 2009 N. Simmons St.
  - Big Brothers Big Sisters, 4135 Common St.
  - College Oaks Community Center, 3815 Ernest St.
  - Columbus Circle Community Center, 3520 Greenwich Blvd.
  - McMillian Community Center, 343 Goos St., (3:30-7:00 p.m.)
  - Trinity Baptist Church, 1800 Country Club Road, (5:30-7:00 p.m.)

## **SELF-SUFFICENCY**

#### Current Status:

- Jobs are available with contractors working for the Army Corps of Engineers. Call 1-877-Storm12 (786-7612).
- The Calcasieu Workforce Center is open on a limited basis for applications for workers on the National Emergency Grant. Call 475-4900. Temporary employment is available for up to 12 weeks at \$9.00 per hour.
- Questions on unemployment are take at the United Methodist Church, 735 Sam Houston Parkway. Thee is no phone, you have to go in person. New claims for unemployment are taken at the Chamber of Commerce, 120 W. Pujo St.

## **MEDICAL CARE**

- Moss Regional's outpatient clinic is open 24 hours a day, call 475-8181.
- Bayou Comprehensive Health Center, 2000 Opelousas, 439-9986, is open.
- All Calcasieu Parish hospitals are open.
- The Office of Public Health is open at all locations and providing all services they provided prior to the storm.
- Elderly residents that need help obtaining medication should contact the Calcasieu Council on Aging, 474-2583.
- There are no prescription vouchers at FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers.

## MENTAL HEALTH

#### **Current Status:**

- Almost all private, non profit and governmental mental health providers are now open, and anyone needing assistance in this area should contact the provider they were seeing before the storm. If this is not possible, or for new clients, the following services are available:
- Mental health assessments are available at the following locations and times:
  - Lake Charles Civic Center, Monday and Thursday, 4-7.
  - Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
  - Goosport Recreation Center, Thursday and Friday, 9:00 11:00 a.m. Prescription assistance is available at the Civic Center location only
- Volunteers of America has teams of crisis counselors to work in home and with groups. Call 497-0034 or see them at the FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers in Lake Charles or Grandlake.
- People with mental health issues who have been affected by Hurricane Rita and need assistance should contact NAMI at 433-0219.

## PERSONAL SAFETY

- SWLA Legal Services, 436-3308, is open. They will also have information tables Monday-Friday at the Civic Center from 2-4, and at the FEMA Disaster Recover Center from 3-5
- The Calcasieu Women's Shelter, 436-4552, is open.
- People in need of protective orders may contact either of the above referenced offices
- Rape Crisis is open and available for crisis intervention and counseling, call the 24 hr. hotline at 494-7273.
- The Office of Juvenile Justice, FINS division, is available to assist with ungovernable children, runaways, and truancy issues. Call 721-3940.
- Local law enforcement does have an effort underway to identify and locate sexual predators who have changed locations due to the storm.
- Potters House (3233 Kirkman, 477-1102) and The Lord's Place (126 Kirkman, 494-6277), both homeless shelters, are open.