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WEEK ONE

DAY	EVENT	TIME	TOPIC	DURATION
02 APR 2024 TUESDAY	ZOOM CALL REGISTRATION LINK – https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJl5d06sqTMqH5Aonj8lDkK8On7kn9YFz-w			
	Opening Remarks	9:00 AM	FEMA REGION 6 – Tony Robinson , Regional Administrator Traci Brasher , Deputy Regional Administrator FEMA HEADQUARTERS – Colt Hagmaier , Deputy Assistant Administrator, Recovery Directorate Frank Matranga , Division Director, Individual Assistance DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY – Marcus Coleman , Director, Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships NATIONAL VOLUNTARY ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVE IN DISASTER (NVOAD) – April Wood , National VOAD President & CEO PLATFORM OVERVIEW – Chris Hillis , Co-founder, Information Technology Disaster Resource Center (ITDRC) (virtual exhibit hall sponsor/host)	0:30
	Regional State/VOAD Partners	9:30 AM	ARKANSAS Division of Emergency Management (ADEM) and/or State VOAD Representative	0:15
		9:45 AM	LOUISIANA Governor's Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) and/or State VOAD Representative	0:15
		10:00 AM	NEW MEXICO Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) and/or State VOAD Representative	0:15
	BREAK	10:15 AM	BREAK – 10 minutes	0:10
	Regional State/VOAD Partners	10:25 AM	OKLAHOMA Department of Emergency Management & Homeland Security (ODEMHS) and/or State VOAD Representative	0:15
		10:40 AM	TEXAS Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) and/or State VOAD Representative	0:15
	Other Federal Agency	10:55 AM	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) – Fair Housing Basics Patrick Banis , Director, Region VI Enforcement Center, Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO)	1:00
	LUNCH	11:55 AM	LUNCH – 1 hour	1:05
	Other Federal Agency	1:00 PM	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA) – Georgina Castillo , Emergency Management Specialist, Office of Emergency Management - Food and Nutrition Service	1:00
	BREAK	2:00 PM	BREAK – 10 minutes	0:10
	Other Federal Agency	2:10 PM	U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (SBA) – An Overview of SBA's Disaster Loan Program Claudia Anderson , Public Information Officer; Garth MacDonald , Public Information Officer	1:00
	Closing Remarks	3:10 PM	CLOSING REMARKS	0:20
	DAY END	3:30 PM	Day End	N/A

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04 APR 2024 THURSDAY	Service Day Locations	Times to be scheduled by volunteer	FIRST REFUGE MINISTRIES – Denton, TX (5 spots); Sanger, TX (10 spots) Sign Up - email: jeannie.warner@fema.dhs.gov or call: 940.390.1512 DENTON COMMUNITY FOOD CENTER – Denton, TX Sign Up - email: Dallas.Newell@unt.edu OUR DAILY BREAD SOUP KITCHEN – Denton, TX Sign Up - https://volunteer.ourdailybreaddenton.org	Varies
	Presentations at the Regional Interagency Steering Committee (RISC)	10:10 AM	UNDERSTANDING BEST PRACTICES IN ANIMAL-ASSISTED CRISIS RESPONSE – Kathy Olin & Chester , HOPE Animal-Assisted Crisis Response Team (AACR)	1:00
		12:40 PM	BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN TRIBAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS – Tim Zientek , Director of Emergency Management, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, and Chair, Inter-Tribal Emergency Management Coalition (ITEMC); Aaron Scott , Local Emergency Response Coordinator, Oklahoma State Department of Health; Chad Larman , Emergency Management Director of Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma	1:00
		1:40 PM	THE OFFICE OF NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS – Southern Plains Office of Native American Programs (SPONAP) David W. Southerland , Administrator, SPONAP, U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development	1:00
	DAY END	2:40 PM	Day End	N/A

WEEK TWO

DAY	EVENT	TIME	TOPIC	DURATION
09 APR 2024 TUESDAY	Individual Assistance	ZOOM CALL REGISTRATION LINK – https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltdeurrTguHbQxuooGEnEueUXIBHD6j0		
		11:00 AM	UPDATES TO FEMA INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	1:00
	DAY END	12:00 PM	Day End	N/A
11 APR 2024 THURSDAY	National Pet Day	ZOOM CALL REGISTRATION LINK – https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlsd-igpzsqG9ZOGPMLwloGjU8Xg_ML9Aw		
		10:00 AM	HOUSEHOLD PET EMERGENCY SHELTER OVERVIEW – Dr. Ashley Prejean , DVM, MS, Veterinary Medical Officer, Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF ESF11); Dr. Renee Poirrier , DVM, CVA, Director, Acadiana Veterinary Clinic Louisiana State Animal Response Team (LSART)	1:00
	Private Sector	ZOOM CALL REGISTRATION LINK – https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlsdeCrqjwsExQcp53mgPEk6Kvh5LIKUs		
		11:00 AM	HOW THE PRIVATE SECTOR SUPPORTS BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER TIMES OF MAJOR DISRUPTION OR DISASTER – Leah Anderson , Private Sector Liaison, FEMA Region 6; Julie Roberts , President/Co-founder, Private Sector Emergency Management Agency (PSEMA); Kathy Fulton , Executive Director, American Logistics Aid Network (ALAN)/Co-founder, Private Sector Emergency Management Agency (PSEMA)	1:00
	DAY END	12:00 PM	Day End	N/A

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DAY	EVENT	TIME	TOPIC	DURATION
15 APR 2024 MONDAY	Partnerships		ZOOM CALL REGISTRATION LINK – https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltdOqtqjguEzbOHuBsz1Fui7sJ6Ey5kN4	
		10:00 AM	REBUILDING DISASTER PARTNER NETWORKS: WHAT HAPPENED & IDEAS FOR ADAPTING TO THE NEW NORMAL OF PARTNERSHIPS – Panel Discussion Amy Grissom , U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) / Administration for Children and Families (ACF); Courtney Goss , Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM); David Rivas , U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); Brian Candelaria , Oklahoma Indian Legal Services, Inc. (OILS); Jessica Vermilyea , Immediate Past President, Louisiana VOAD & Interim Director of Operations National VOAD	2:00
	DAY END	12:00 PM	Day End	N/A
17 APR 2024 WEDNESDAY	Resources		ZOOM CALL REGISTRATION LINK – https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltd-igrj8rEugEl8AbmJfEooq4HNd7qJc	
		11:00 AM	FIRST THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT EMOTIONAL AND SPIRITUAL CARE IN DISASTERS – Rev. Mary Gaudreau Hughes , LPC, Executive Director, Crisis Care Ministries	1:00
	DAY END	12:00 PM	Day End	N/A

WEEK FOUR

DAY	EVENT	TIME	TOPIC	DURATION
22 APR 2024 MONDAY	Partnerships	10:00 AM	ZOOM CALL REGISTRATION LINK – https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlscOqgpgj8jH0pElHdW_KvL_JOPGJsb8dU	
			LONG TERM DISASTER RECOVERY PANEL – Facilitated by Region 6 Voluntary Agency Liaisons Laurie Fried , The Salvation Army; Courtney Goss , Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM); Rev. Jill Cline , Mora San Miguel Long Term Recovery Group; Toni Jackson , B.R.A.C.E.S/Florida Parishes VOAD; Carrie Wages , Muskogee County Office of Emergency Management	1:00
		11:00 AM	ZOOM CALL REGISTRATION LINK – https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltdu6urD0pHIWgWyFkyWL41ErsiTsxgyl	
			HOW TO ENGAGE WITH FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS – Eric Nankervis , Voluntary Agency Liaison-Mass Care Regional Lead, Recovery Division, FEMA Region 4	1:00
	DAY END	12:00 PM	Day End	N/A
24 APR 2024 WEDNESDAY	Partnerships	10:00 AM	ZOOM CALL REGISTRATION LINK – https://fema.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltd6prTMuEtlwdnPLK3XWTdcj4Q3IMpk	
			VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION	1:00
	DAY END	11:00 AM	Day End	N/A

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Call for Video Submissions

Showcase your work with a short video! All partners are invited to submit a video of how you help people before, during and after disasters. Videos can be professionally produced or filmed on a smart phone. Videos will be featured in the Virtual Exhibit Hall developed by National VOAD partner, [Information Technology Disaster Resource Center](#) (ITDRC). Please submit by 5 p.m. CT Tuesday, April 30, 2024.

Email R6-VAL@fema.dhs.gov for uploading instructions.

VIDEO SUBMISSIONS

- Length: 1 minute or less
- Resolution: 1080p
- Format: .MP4
- Accessibility: Please provide closed captioning by including a script of the dialogue as well as an .SRT file



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