

# OperationOC Monthly Operational Meeting Minutes Monday, April 4, 2011

Meeting Location: Orange County Rescue Mission's Village of Hope, Tustin, CA

## **Attendance**

Charlotte & Dennis Duffy, Yorba Linda Friends Church; Chris Muir, St. Luke's Lutheran Church; Don Holt, Rose Drive Friends Church; Don Thorpe, Calvary Chapel WestGrove; Doug Thomson, Covenant Presbyterian Church; Garrett Gaines, Westbound Communications/ReadyOC; Gary Minnesang, OperationOC; Janie Rodriguez, Hurtt Family Health Clinic; Jenny Corsey, Westbound Communications/ReadyOC; Joanne Gray, Anaheim First Christian Church; Joey Beason, Cottonwood Church; John White, St. John Neumann Catholic Church; Judith Wong, Doulos Ministries Center; Junko Cora, Mariners Church; Ken Hicks, Giving Children Hope; Lori Mayfield, NPSC; Ray & Suzanne Thompson, BGEA RRT; Rebecca Tamondong, Catholic Charities of OC; Roger Tierney, OneOC/FOCUS OC; Vicki McGuinness, OperationOC/Hope Force; Vincent Gerace, St. John Neumann Catholic Church; Virgil Garduque, OperationOC

#### **Training**

**Red Cross Super CPR Day** – April 16, Angel Stadium, includes Pet CPR. For details, visit <a href="www.oc-redcross.org">www.oc-redcross.org</a>.

# **Updates**

OperationOC website – launch of Partners page has been delayed

Japan – general discussion of current relief efforts and the necessity of ensuring the safety of relief teams. The nuclear risk has caused many relief organizations to delay sending teams in; others have pulled teams out due to the danger. Ken Hicks reported that Giving Children Hope has sent supplies to Japan. Hope Force has a doctor in country to assess how to best assist disaster victims. It was noted that there is tremendous opportunity to bring the love of Christ to those desperately in need of hope.

# **Planning**

**ReadyOC** – Jenny Corsey presented the ReadyOC strategic plan to involve churches and other faith-based groups in the 2011 effort to increase disaster awareness and preparedness levels in Orange County. She and Garrett Gaines distributed "Emergency Documents" waterproof bags along with a list of documents to be stored in them.

**Updating contact information** will be done by email or at the next DP&RP meeting.

## Discussion

Cooperative Plan – A draft of the 2011 Cooperative Plan was distributed for review. The Plan has been revised to incorporate new legislative requirements brought about by AB 903 and the January 2011 emergency CA legislation regarding PNPs (private nonprofits) in disaster recovery. The final draft will be sent out with the meeting minutes. It will remain in draft form until the "Request for Assistance" process is determined by the Orange County Emergency Management Bureau. The OperationOC Disaster Recovery Framework referenced in the Cooperative Plan incorporates the values and goals stated in the Cooperative Plan as well as the OperationOC Disaster Recovery Program Matrix. The Matrix lays out a plan for successful and measurable recovery outcomes. This document is also being updated and will be provided to the Partners before the Cooperative Plan is submitted for signature.

There are two significant benefits to entering into the Cooperative Plan:

- 1) OperationOC is recognized by the Orange County Emergency Management Bureau as a primary disaster recovery coordination organization; therefore, OperationOC and its Partners will be called upon by the County Operational Area to assist in County recovery efforts.
- 2) A "Cooperating Organization" responding to a declared emergency in coordination with OperationOC is entitled to submit for reimbursement of extraordinary expenses incurred while providing "essential community services" including but not limited to food, water, and shelter.

Copies of *Light Our Way*, a guide for spiritual care in times of disaster published by the Emotional and Spiritual Care Committee of the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (National VOAD) were distributed. This publication is also available at <a href="http://www.ldr.org/care/Light\_Our\_Way.pdf">http://www.ldr.org/care/Light\_Our\_Way.pdf</a>.

## **Upcoming Meetings**

COAD-OC, Thurs, 4/28, 10a-12n, Red Cross, 601 N. Golden Circle, Rm. 208, Santa Ana; all are encouraged to attend and learn of county-wide nonprofit coordination disaster preparedness and recovery efforts.

#### **Announcements**

**OperationOC radio net** will be conducted this afternoon at 4 pm.

**Concert for the Volunteers** – If your church or ministry assisted with the recovery efforts in Silverado Canyon following the December mudslides, you are invited to attend a free concert at the Silverado Community Center on Saturday, April 16. A flyer was available at the meeting and will be included with the minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Next **Operational Meeting**: Monday, May 2, 12 n −1:30 pm at the Village of Hope