

MBA DR COMMUNITY MINISTRY RESPONSE FORM

Disasters provide an opportunity for the community to see MBA churches as relevant evangelistic ministry centers. Churches are encouraged to decide on which DR ministry or ministries they will host. Complete and return the following information to the MBA office as soon as decisions are made.

Church Name: _____

Address: _____

Email Addresses: _____

Church Phone: _____ Pastor Phone: _____

Pastor Cell: _____

Additional Emergency Contact Name and Number: _____

As soon as possible after a disaster in Mobile County our church will serve as:

- Comfort Station
- EMA Distribution Center
- MBA Distribution Center
- Warehouse space for donated items coming into the county
- Feeding Station
- Housing for Volunteer Teams in the church
 - Number of showers _____
 - Number of people that can stay for “indoor camping” (bring own bed) ____
 - Number of beds available _____ Includes sheets/pillow? Yes No
 - Access to a kitchen? Yes No
- Providing Repair/Clean-Up Teams
 - Type of Teams: _____ Number of people: _____
- Provide volunteers: Type of Service: _____
- Shelter Evacuees
- Shelter Refugees

Comfort Stations are places with air conditioning for people to come and stay during the day. Comfort stations usually run from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Some guests may require a place to connect their oxygen machines. This is a marvelous opportunity to share Christ and minister in His name. Consider creating a mini block party atmosphere. Water and snacks will be provided by Emergency Management Authority (EMA). Comfort stations usually close soon after power is restored.

EMA Distributions Centers are places for the EMA to send tractor trailers full of water, ice and MRE's to distribute to the community. The only requirement is a parking lot and space for a lot of cars to drive through. This provides an excellent opportunity to help the community learn where the church is located. EMA Distribution Centers continue until power and services are restored.

MBA Distribution Centers supplement the EMA Distribution Centers. Our churches will provide ministry, food and water to our communities and members. The center requires space to store donated food, water and other material goods sent to Mobile by concerned citizens and churches. This may include tractor trailer loads of water and other critical need items.

Storage/Warehouse Space is essential when concerned citizens and churches respond generously to a disaster. We receive a massive amount of useable and un-useable items. This process is so labor intensive that Disaster Relief Units, the Red Cross, and Mobile County Emergency Management will not accept unsolicited material goods. For example, clothes are generally not needed. MBA will accept and distribute usable items.

Feeding Unit Hosts are needed to staff SBC DR feeding units which provide up to 20,000 hot meals per day to disaster victims. Most of the meals delivered by Red Cross personnel across the United States are cooked by SBC DR feeding units.

Stationary Feeding Sites supplement the larger SBC feeding units. Our churches can offer to serve as a Stationary Feeding Site by hosting Red Cross Emergency Response Vehicles or by using your own kitchen to prepare food donated from outside sources.

Housing for Volunteer Teams is greatly needed after a disaster. SBC DR trainees are the first to be called out and are assigned to the areas of greatest need. They need a place to stay that has showers.

Provide Repair Teams to help other churches and church members as soon as your facilities are ready. After a disaster there is a great need for people to place tarps on roofs, roofers, debris removal, electrical repairs, general repairs, and chainsaw crews (SBC trained).

Provide Volunteers to help in a variety of ways. Post-disaster volunteers will be needed at the MBA Office, at the feeding centers, at the Staging Area, and at every clean-up site.

Evacuee Shelters are needed to house those displaced short-term. These people will need food, shelter, clothing and a place to sleep.

Refugee Shelters are needed to house those who may not be able to return home. They will need food, water, clothing and a place to sleep long-term.