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5. Completed assignments

Note: The current NCCC AmeriCorps supported deployments are occurring under the NCCC’s own funding authority and without a FEMA Mission Assignment. If a FEMA Mission Assignment is received, CNCS will request deployments from the Cooperative Agreement programs.

All Updates and New information are new as of the last brief, which was sent 5/2/11.

NEW AND UPDATED INFORMATION

Mississippi Tornadoes-April 27, 2011

Situation Update (as of 5/3/2011) NCCC Southern Region
The NCCC Southern Region has 16 teams (122 members) deployed on missions responding to recent disasters throughout Tennessee, Alabama, and Mississippi. As the Southern Region is at 100% capacity, NCCC is reaching out to other campuses for support as additional requests for assistance continue to come into the Southern Region.

Logistics Base Established at Moundville Archaeological Park
A temporary office and logistics base is being established by NCCC at Moundville Archaeological Park (a recent Southern Region sponsor located 16 miles from Tuscaloosa). Four Southern Region staff members deployed to the Tuscaloosa area on 5/3/2011 to establish the base and look out for new assignments. Housing for a number of teams, if needed, will be provided at the park as well (camping, kitchen and other supplies provided by the Southern Region).

Situation Update (as of 5/4/2011) from the Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service
As Mississippi volunteers mobilize in response to last week’s deadly tornadoes, nine local Volunteer Response Centers are currently coordinating volunteer activity in five Mississippi counties. The Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service (MCVS) has initially documented 3,588 volunteers serving over 13,159 hours since Friday, and is awaiting additional reports of volunteer response activity from several other counties.

MCVS is tracking community and faith-based organization donation of goods drop-points on our website, (http://www.mcvs.org), and rapidly publishing information through Facebook (http://www.facebook.com/volunteeryall) and Twitter (http://www.twitter.com/volunteeryall). Volunteers from several National Service programs (funded by the federal Corporation for National and Community Service) are also working with local officials and faith-based and community organizations in affected areas of Mississippi.

Updated 5/4/11
MCVS, Mississippi Medical Reserve Corps VISTAs, University of Mississippi VISTAs
MCVS AmeriCorps VISTAs are managing the Volunteer Reception Center.

Mississippi Lafayette County Oxford Park Senior Corps RSVP
Lafayette County Oxford Park Senior Corps RSVP volunteers are coordinating volunteers in Lafayette County, under the direction of the RSVP Program Director.

Mississippi Lauderdale County Senior Corps RSVP and United Way of East Mississippi, American Red Cross
Volunteers are answering phones at the United Way of East Mississippi. RSVPs are also assisting the Red Cross as volunteers at the Union Baptist Church south of Meridian.

Mississippi AmeriCorps State Members at Piney Woods School
April 30, 2011
AmeriCorps State members from Piney Woods School worked with The Radio People for 12 hours on Saturday, April 30th, loading an estimated 100,000 pounds of supplies, water, and food onto a truck headed to Smithville, which was delivered to the MCVS VRC.

Mississippi AmeriCorps State Members from City of Jackson and America Reads-Mississippi (ARM)
Members from City of Jackson and America Reads-Mississippi (ARM) are assisting their communities in the response.

NCCC Southern Region and NECHAMA
Smithville, MS
Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 8 members was deployed to Smithville, MS to conduct debris removal, volunteer coordination, and supply distribution with NECHAMA.

NCCC Southern Region and City of Vicksburg, MS
Vicksburg, MS
Deployed: Wednesday, May 04, 2011
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 6 members was deployed to Vicksburg, MS to assist in sealing flood walls and other necessary flood preparation work.

NCCC Southern Region, NECHAMA, Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service
Monroe County, Smithville, MS
Deployed: Sunday, May 1, 2011
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 9 members from the Southern Region began work Sunday with NECHAMA in Smithville (Monroe County), MS, conducting debris removal using chainsaws for homes affected by the April 27 tornado. They are also coordinating volunteers and distributing supplies.

NCCC Southern Region and the City of Vicksburg
Vicksburg, MS
Deployed: Monday, May 02, 2011
Two NCC Support Team Leaders from the Southern Region campus have been deployed to Vicksburg, MS to distribute information to residents in flood zones.

Updated 5/4/11
Alabama Tornados-April 27th

RSVP of Athens-Limestone County, Alabama
Situation Update (as of 5/2/2011)
Update from Athens-Limestone County RSVP: The south end of Limestone County received major damage and the East Limestone area was destroyed. There were four deaths and miles of damage to property owners and businesses. VOAD/RSVP volunteers were activated by Emergency Management Agency on 4/28/2011. The Volunteer Reception Center was officially opened April 29th at 11:00 a.m. RSVP reported that 25 volunteers operated the Volunteer Reception Center serving a total of 140 hours and 1100 spontaneous volunteers were deployed in Limestone County. Supplies continued to be collected at designated stations throughout the county. Food is continually delivered to the areas and volunteers working in the field. All area churches and Southern Baptist Association continues to prepare and deliver food. Power is still out in the hardest hit areas because of snapped power poles and lines. Also Tennessee Valley Browns Ferry Nuclear Power Plant (located in Limestone County) was hit by a tornado collapsing power line towers. These towers must be completely rebuilt before all power can be restored to Limestone and Madison Counties.

NCCC Southern Region and Hale Empowerment and Revitalization Organization (HERO)
Greensboro, AL (outside Tuscaloosa)
Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 7 members began work Tuesday with Hale Empowerment and Revitalization Organization (HERO) in Greensboro, AL (about 45 minutes from Tuscaloosa). The team is doing debris removal, minor home repairs and distribution of emergency supplies in communities impacted by the April 27 tornadoes.

NCCC Southern Region and CitiIMPACT
Madison, AL
Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 9 members has been deployed to Madison, AL, to conduct feeding operations and supply distribution with CitiIMPACT, an international faith-based ministry.

NCCC Southern Region and CitiIMPACT
Madison, AL
Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 8 members has been deployed to Madison, AL, to conduct feeding operations, supply distribution, and other necessary tasks, with CitiIMPACT, an international faith-based ministry.

NCCC Southern Region and CitiIMPACT
Tuscaloosa, AL
Deployed: Wednesday, May 4, 2011
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 11 members has been deployed to Tuscaloosa, AL, to conduct debris removal, supply distribution, and other necessary tasks, with CitiIMPACT, an international faith-based ministry.

**NCCC Southern Region and United Saints Recovery Project**
**Tuscaloosa, AL**
**Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011**
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 7 members will begin work on volunteer coordination, supply distribution, home repairs, and other necessary tasks.

**NCCC Southern Region and United Saints Recovery Project**
**Tuscaloosa, AL**
**Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011**
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 7 members will begin work on volunteer coordination, supply distribution, home repairs, and other necessary tasks.

**NCCC Southern Region and Bay Area Food Bank**
**Theodore, AL**
**Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011**
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 9 members is working on food donation management in Theodore, Alabama.

**NCCC Southern Region and CitiIMPACT**
**Tuscaloosa, AL**
**Deployed: Monday, May 2, 2011**
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 7 members has been deployed to Tuscaloosa, AL, to conduct debris removal and supply distribution with CitiIMPACT, an international faith-based ministry. All members of this team are chainsaw trained and will be using chainsaws.

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**NCCC Southern Region and CitiIMPACT**
**Cleveland, TN**
**Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011**
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 8 members will be deployed to Cleveland, TN, to conduct debris removal and supply distribution with CitiIMPACT, an international faith-based ministry.

**NCCC Southern Region and CitiIMPACT**
**Cleveland, TN**
**Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011**
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 8 members will be deployed to Cleveland, TN, to conduct debris removal with CitiIMPACT, an international faith-based ministry.

**NCCC Southern Region and American Red Cross**
**Chattanooga, TN**
Deployed: Tuesday, May 3, 2011
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 9 members deployed to Cleveland, TN, to conduct shelter operations, mass care, feeding, and other necessary tasks.

NCCC Southern Region and American Red Cross of Tennessee
Chattanooga, TN
Deployed Date: May 2, 2011
One AmeriCorps NCCC team of 9 deployed to work in Chattanooga, TN in partnership with the American Red Cross of Tennessee. The team is working on shelter operations, mass care, feeding, and other necessary tasks.

Missouri Flooding and Tornados-April 22, 2011
AmeriCorps VISTA
AmeriCorps VISTA members in Popular Bluff, MO are currently working at the local coliseum, signing up and organizing volunteers to help at an evacuation shelter.

Kentucky Flooding
Three different corps, funded by the Kentucky Commission, are responding to the Kentucky flooding.

Prevent. Prepare. Respond (American Red Cross – Louisville Chapter) has 5 members serving as shelter managers in Radcliff, KY. One member deployed on the Emergency Response Vehicle to Paducah, KY yesterday to provide damage assessment, bulk distribution, and feeding if necessary. One member, serving in the Prevent. Prepare. Respond. - American Red Cross-Louisville Chapter, deployed for Alabama yesterday in an Emergency Communication Response Vehicle (ECRV). He has set up the ECRV in Hoover, Alabama. The ECRV is used to help disaster victims communicate with family/friends as well and has the capability of airing live via CNN and/or local airwaves. The Prevent. Prepare. Respond. - American Red Cross-Louisville Chapter program is funded by the Kentucky Commission.

Homeland Security Corps (sponsored by the Green River Area Development District) has all of their CERT-trained members responding as needed. Members are volunteering for significant amounts of time at the local shelters. Members are assisting with shelters in Owensboro and Henderson. Shelters are still open and they are also responding to requests to assist with sand bagging in Daviess County. Members are providing courses on operating Red Cross shelters.

Senior Connections AmeriCorps Program (sponsored by the Green River Area Development District-GRADD) has all of their CERT trained members responding as needed. Members assigned to senior centers continue to report to their service site and provide services that include telephone reassurance, friendly visits, transportations, chores and errands for their senior clients. Over the weekend members assisted with Shelters in Owensboro and Henderson. Shelters are still open and they are also responding to requests to assist with sand bagging in Daviess County.
Green River Area Development District (GRADD)
AmeriCorps members and GRADD staff are volunteering at shelters in Owensboro, Henderson, in Union County, and in Calhoon at the Senior Center. All shelters are still fully operational.

PENDING DEPLOYMENTS AND RESPONSE

Alabama Tornados-April 27th

NCCC Atlantic Region and Alabama Governor’s Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives
Tuscaloosa, AL
To be deployed: Thursday, May 5, 2011
Two AmeriCorps NCCC teams from the Atlantic Region will be deployed to Tuscaloosa, AL to assist with running a volunteer reception center in partnership with the state VOAD and All Hands Volunteers (formerly Hands On Disaster Response) and assist in donations warehouses. The NCCC teams will be housed at the NCCC Logistics Center at Moundsville, AL.

NCCC and United Saints
Tuscaloosa, AL
Pending request for 2 NCCC teams to support United Saints with debris removal and donations management.

NCCC Atlantic Region, Hands On Disaster Services and Tuscaloosa Volunteer Reception Center
To be deployed: May 5, 2011
NCCC and Hands On will be partnering to help support the Tuscaloosa Volunteer Reception Center. NCCC will be sending two team leaders and Hands On will be sending an Affiliate Leader. Details in development.

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NCCC North Central Region and Catholic Charities
Monroe and Chickasaw Counties, MS
Pending deployment date
Two AmeriCorps NCCC teams from the North Central Region will be deployed to Monroe and Chickasaw Counties in Mississippi to assist with debris removal and home repairs. Teams will be working in the towns of Egypt, Buena Vista, Red Bud, Okalona, Houston, Woodland and others, in Chickasaw and Monroe counties. Tasks include debris cleanup, roof repairs, rebuilding (replacing walls or windows, other repairs).

Missouri FEMA Mission Assignment
Details pending
Georgia Tornados
Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism is standing by and ready to assist as state emergency management crews assess the damage caused throughout Georgia.

RESOURCES

State Service Commission Donation and Volunteer Coordination
For information on how to donate or where to sign up to volunteer in response to the recent natural disasters, please visit your State Service Commission’s website. The following State Service Commissions are coordinating donations and volunteer opportunities in their states.

- Hands On Birmingham is another good resource for Birmingham, AL: [http://www.handsonbirmingham.org/](http://www.handsonbirmingham.org/)
- Illinois: [http://www2.illinois.gov/serve/Pages/default.aspx](http://www2.illinois.gov/serve/Pages/default.aspx)
- Iowa: [http://www.volunteeriowa.org/](http://www.volunteeriowa.org/)
- Tennessee: [http://www.volunteertennessee.net/](http://www.volunteertennessee.net/)

Note: If your State Service Commission is coordinating donations or volunteers and we have inadvertently left your name off this list, please email dsu@cns.gov with the relevant information and we will update the list in the next brief.

Disaster Webinar Series
These webinars will begin May 12th in partnership with Catholic Charities and continue on through October with different themed sessions. For information on the webinars, please visit [https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/SSLPage.aspx?pid=2226](https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/SSLPage.aspx?pid=2226)

Managing Disaster Volunteers
Webinar: Wednesday, May 11, 2011 - 2-3 PM EDT

Join HandsOn Network and Catholic Charities USA to learn the current trends facing those who manage disaster volunteers. Our discussion will include an overview of tools and strategies for managing spontaneous volunteers as well as a look at broader trends affecting the sector.
Catholic Charities Webinar on New Madrid Seismic Zone, Tuesday, May 17, 2011 at 3:00 PM

In the United States, all disaster eyes are on the New Madrid Seismic Zone. If your agency is in Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri, Mississippi or Tennessee, you are part of the New Madrid Seismic Zone - an area that has the potential to wreak devastation given the many urban areas that could be impacted and the low level of preparation to-date. To follow up on the April 28th "Great Central U.S. Shake Out," CCUSA will present this how-to-prepare webinar. Learn what you can do to participate in local and federal preparations that could greatly reduce the loss of life and property in a future event.

National Service Disaster Services Coordination Call

CNCS Disaster Service Unit will be hosting two calls on Friday, 5/6/2011, one for internal partners in affected states and another for Commissions and external partners in affected states.

Internal Call- 10 Am Eastern
Commission-External Partners- 3pm Eastern

If you have not yet received an Outlook invitation and would like to participate, please email DSU@cns.gov with your name, title, and contact information. Notes will be provided along with the next update.

ONGOING RESPONSE

Mississippi Tornados-April 27, 2011

Situation Update as of 5/1/2011
The following update comes from the Mississippi Commission for Volunteer Service

Smithville, in Monroe County, is ground zero of a deadly EF5 tornado; more than 2/3’s of the town is utterly destroyed, including all businesses, all government offices, all but 1 church, and more than 150 homes. The remaining structures have also experienced varying levels of damage (mostly severe). At this time, a curfew for the town remains in effect from 6:30 pm to 6:00 am; during daytime hours, only residents, officials, and MCVS-registered volunteers are allowed in the area. MCVS is working with Smithville Baptist Church, the National Guard and state and local officials to coordinate all volunteer activity, and began deploying volunteers yesterday. On Saturday, our first day of operations, an astounding 1,095 volunteers served.

Across Mississippi, we now know that 993 homes have been destroyed and 2,527 homes sustained damage. Damage assessments are ongoing. MCVS is working with officials, nonprofits, faith-based organizations and national service members in Lafayette, Kemper, Jasper, Clarke, Hinds, Greene, Chickasaw and Clay counties, to coordinate and track
volunteer activity and provide public information about donations needs and drop off locations. Seven of these counties are now federally declared and will be eligible for individual and public federal assistance. The first FEMA DRC (Disaster Response Center) is opening in Smithville today. At MEMA's request, MCVS continues to maintain an on-going staff presence at the State EOC (Emergency Operations Center).

National service programs and members have been a vital part of the response, with AmeriCorps State, VISTA, NCCC, and RSVP volunteers in service. We're coordinating information on their efforts and will be working with programs to provide local and national media with information about the good work national service is doing in Mississippi at this critical time.

Our website at [www.mcvs.org](http://www.mcvs.org) is being updated continuously with Volunteer Response Center and Donations Drop Off Locations as the information develops, and you can also follow us on Facebook at [http://www.facebook.com/volunteeryall](http://www.facebook.com/volunteeryall), and on Twitter at [http://www.twitter.com/volunteeryall](http://www.twitter.com/volunteeryall).

**Mississippi Tornados-April 15, 2011**

**NCCC Southern Region**  
**Hinds County, near Jackson, MS**  
**Deployed: Saturday, April 30, 2011**

An NCCC Team from the Southern Region campus of 7 members, currently working on a state park project in Tennessee, is being redeployed to Catholic Charities of Jackson, MS. Catholic Charities requested a team to conduct debris removal using chainsaws for homes affected by the April 15 tornado. Members will work at about 10 properties in Hinds County (Jackson area) that have not received assistance since the Clinton/Jackson tornado of April 15.

**Alabama Tornados-April 27th**

**NCCC Southern Region**  
**Tuscaloosa and Birmingham, AL**  
**Deployed: Friday, April 29, 2011**

Two members of an AmeriCorps NCCC team (currently working in Birmingham) traveled to Tuscaloosa Friday, April 29, 2011 to conduct outreach with disaster officials from various agencies and nonprofits. They spoke with numerous officials and shared NCCC's disaster-request protocol. Also, the team will be assisting with feeding operations for affected communities in the Birmingham area this weekend, as an ISP.

**Prevent. Prepare. Respond (American Red Cross – Louisville Chapter)**

An AmeriCorps member serving in the Prevent. Prepare. Respond. - American Red Cross-Louisville Chapter, deployed for Alabama yesterday in an Emergency Communication Response Vehicle (ECRV). He has set up the ECRV in Hoover, Alabama. The ECRV is used to help disaster victims communicate with family/friends as well and has the capability of airing live via CNN and/or local airwaves. The Prevent. Prepare. Respond. - American Red Cross-Louisville Chapter program is funded by the Kentucky Commission.

Updated 5/4/11
Arkansas Tornados
The Governor declared a State of Emergency on April 17, 2011. There have been 16 injuries and 22 confirmed fatalities reported. There were 59 homes destroyed, and 348 homes received minor to major damage.
NCCC Southwest Region
Fayetteville, AR
Deployed: April 27, 2011
A NCCC Southwest Region team was deployed to Devil's Den State Park near Fayetteville on April 27, 2011 for 3-4 days of storm cleanup. This about 2.5 hours from Pinnacle. The location may change if a higher need arises. The team plans to end its assignment on Thursday, May 5, 2011.

Ohio Tornados and Severe Weather
Athens and Meigs, Counties, OH
COAD RSVP volunteers acted in a number of areas following the tornadoes and high winds that hit Athens and Meigs Counties:

- Monitored river levels and flooding threats, traveled roads to assess impact of the tornadoes
- Headed the family service work for the four counties covered by the Athens County Chapter. (Athens, Vinton, Gallia and Meigs)
- Supervised feeding of all of those affected by a disaster, including 24-hour feeding in shelters.
- Handled amateur radio communication during tornado response and prepared to do the same in the flood threat.

Tuscarawas County, OH
HARCATUS RSVP volunteer compiled damaged assessment reports after personally interviewing affected residents.

Missouri Flooding and Tornados-April 22, 2011

Situation Update as of Saturday, April 30, 2011 from AmeriCorps St. Louis Safety Service Corps
We are currently addressing two serious disaster impacts that create a number of challenges. The first challenge resulted from the Good Friday tornadoes which traversed a 22 mile path across our northern metropolitan area that has damaged well in excess of 1000 homes, totally destroyed an excess of 200 homes and generated major damage to hundreds of additional homes. Our local governmental building inspection figures document an excess of 750 homes that are totally or partially condemned for occupancy. Many schools and other public buildings were damaged and inoperable. Many of the affected areas have high concentration of seniors with fixed incomes, families with special needs and pockets of extremely impoverished residents.

The second challenge continues to develop on an on-going basis. Much of the south central and south eastern part of our state has received, during the last week, an excess of 15+ inches of rainfall which comes on top of pre-existing spring record precipitation. Because of conditions up north, the big rivers, Missouri and Mississippi are already...
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predicted to be in record flood stage. The widespread rainfall has led to extensive widespread prolonged flash flooding. Many small towns are threatened or have been evacuated. Several hundred of additional homes have been impacted which will require lots of helping hands to get back on track.

AmeriCorps St. Louis Safety Service Corps
AmeriCorps St. Louis Education Corps
Grace Hill AmeriCorps
Riverways and Poplar Bluff AmeriCorps
Missouri-Statewide
AmeriCorps St. Louis has currently mobilized all of its Safety Corps Members to provide direct emergency assistance to affected local government in both the northern and southern divisions of these ongoing disaster situations. Additional Members from the AmeriCorps St. Louis Education Corps, Grace Hill AmeriCorps, Riverways and Poplar Bluff AmeriCorps are directly assisting in this statewide effort. AmeriCorps St. Louis, within the state plan, has key responsibility within the donations/volunteer coordination annex for directing and coordinating the engagement of coordinated agency involvement, engagement of unaffiliated volunteers, and the effective utilization of donations.

NCCC Southwest Region and AmeriCorps St. Louis Safety Service Corps
St. Louis, MO
Deployed: Monday, May 02, 2011
Two AmeriCorps NCCC teams from the Southwest Region have been deployed to St. Louis to support the Missouri State Emergency Human Services and the AmeriCorps St. Louis Safety Service Corps. NCCC members will work alongside Safety Service Corps members doing chainsaw work, emergency tarping, emergency home repair, debris removal and other housing stabilization services. Teams may assist with health and wellness checks and follow-up surveying to continue to document needs and to identify gaps in the community response. Members may be asked to support the on-going intaking of homeowner needs and/or conducting follow-up surveys to monitor the status of response activities.

Washington State Conservation Corps and AmeriCorps St. Louis Safety Service Corps
St. Louis, MO
Southwestern Airlines has donated 12 round trip tickets and the 12 members of the Washington State Conservation Corps will be coming to St. Louis to conduct debris removal.

AmeriCorps*National Preparedness and Response Corps (NPRC)
Members have deployed with the American Red Cross to support response efforts in Mississippi, Oklahoma, and North Carolina:

- Two members from the Grant Woods Area Chapter in Cedar Rapids, IA are performing client casework in Jackson, MS.
- One member from the American Red Cross in Greater New York Chapter in New York, NY is working as a Shelter Manager at a shelter in Fayetteville, NC.
- Four members from the Southeast Louisiana Chapter in New Orleans, LA are serving as caseworkers in two locations: two in Oklahoma, and two in Mississippi.

Updated 5/4/11
North Carolina Tornados
The Governor declared a State of Emergency on April 17, 2011. There have been 16 injuries and 22 confirmed fatalities reported. There were 59 homes destroyed, and 348 homes received minor to major damage.

Families Working to Recover from Tornadoes and Wildfires in North Carolina
The article below mentions NCCC as one of the organizations helping families recover from the tornadoes. 
http://www.redcross.org/portal/site/en/menuitem.1a019a978f421296e81ec89e43181aa0/?vgnextoid=38da926d4ad7f210VgnVCM10000089f0870aRCRD

Oklahoma Tornados
An EF-3 tornado resulted in two deaths and 43 injuries. The twister also damaged 237 homes and businesses, destroying 149 of them.

Senior Corps / RSVP Response
Tushka, OK.
- RSVP Volunteers supporting the Partners In Awareness program contacted 41 members living in the Ponca area checking on their welfare and provided needed assistance.
- Eight (8) RSVP volunteers drove to 19 member residences to assist with moving refrigerated foods to safe storage and to clear small debris from their properties.
- Three (3) RSVP volunteer couples purchased and delivered cases of bottled drinking water and cookies to industrial employees conducting salvage work.
- Approximately nineteen (19) RSVP volunteers from Ponca City, Blackwell, and Newkirk reported driving to the disaster zone, providing whatever minor assistance they could, which included volunteering with the local chapter of the American Red Cross to link 30 to 35 residents in need with appropriate resource organizations.
- One (1) RSVP volunteer helped with relocation of 5 resident families who were forced from their homes by the disaster.
- Another RSVP couple used their personally owned vehicle to transport two (2) senior residents to specialty care appointments in Oklahoma City and Tulsa the following week.

The RSVP Director of Coal County reports that RSVP volunteers are manning the Atoka Coal Community Food Store and are preparing and delivering meals.

North & South Dakota Flooding
Senior Corps / RSVP
National Service has been engaged in flooding preparation for the past four months throughout North and South Dakota. Impacted areas include the James River, Sioux River, Devils Lake, Red River, among others.

- Over 1,000 RSVP participants have engaged in organizing and registering volunteers for sandbagging efforts in North Dakota. In Fargo, over a million sandbags were prepared by March 1st.
- An RSVP Project in Bismarck is lead disaster coordinator for the town. An MOU is in place between the RSVP project and the town of Bismarck and a solid plan for mobilizing volunteers has been developed and activated.
- Lutheran Social Services of ND, a Senior Corps Project sponsor, has volunteers engaged in preparation and recovery efforts statewide.
Northeast Human Service Center, Grand Forks is a Foster Grand Parent sponsor with volunteers engaged in Fargo.

North Dakota State University, Fargo is an RSVP sponsor with volunteers in all communities along the Red River including Grand Forks. North Dakota State University is also the intermediary statewide VISTA sponsor with 7 members in Fargo/Grand Forks. VISTA's have been active in coordinating and building the capacity of the volunteer efforts in North and South Dakota.

In Fargo AmeriCorps projects with the YMCA and Youth Works have engaged approximately 70 members in providing local assistance including sandbagging, providing food and water to volunteers and setting up shelters. AC*State programs in Fargo including Youthworks, YMCA of Cass & Clay Counties, Fraser LTD where 60-70 members are assisting. Grand Forks Housing Authority is also an AC*State grantee in Grand Forks, ND.

The North Central Region NCCC Campus is on stand by for mucking and recovery projects in collaboration with Nechama.

The Minnesota and North/south Dakota State Office Directors are on alert and ready to mobilize additional resources as needed and identified.

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Virginia Tornados
Senior Corps / RSVP
New River Valley Area Agency on Aging
Friday, April 18, 2011

On Friday April 8, 2011 a tornado touched down in Pulaski, VA. The Governor declared a State of Emergency on April 17, 2011. There have been six confirmed (5 unconfirmed) fatalities and 36 injuries reported. Eight homes were damaged or destroyed, and local assessments are ongoing. Approximately 4,300 remain without power, and restoration is ongoing. The Surry Nuclear Power Station is operating on diesel generators due to an extended loss of offsite power, though there is no public threat associated with this occurrence.

- 215 members who average age is 72
- Organizing supply drives: personal hygiene kits, bedding, etc
- Donations management: sorting clothing and food donations, bagging pet food
- 6 RSVP’s are working at the American Red Cross Command Center

Local officials are moving quickly from disaster response to the recovery phase. FEMA officials are assessing damaged areas and to date have determined destruction that 267 houses were damaged with the following breakdown: 31 destroyed, 25 with major damage, 52 with minor damage, and 159 that were affected.

The NCCC Southern region has been actively participating in local EOC recovery meetings and they have a minimum of two teams on standby for long-term recovery efforts. Additionally I have been in contact with Trish Redmond, President of VA VOAD and am waiting for information regarding Senior Corps response and recovery efforts.

NCCC Teams Remain on Standby
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Wisconsin Tornados

*Deployment Completed: Thursday, April 28, 2011*

**NCCC North Central Region & NECHAMA**

**Adams County, WI**

**Deployed Date: Sat April 16, 2011**

The NCCC North Central Region located in Vinton, Iowa deployed a team of eight corps members to Adams County, Wisconsin in response to spring storms which generated a tornado. The NCCC team collaborated with and served alongside NECHAMA with brush and debris removal operations. The team was able to remove brush and debris from the outside of eight homes impacting a total of 16 people. They also had the opportunity to work with an AmeriCorps NCCC alum that volunteered his time.

Mississippi

Flooding

The National Weather Service is forecasting that the Mississippi River will crest at Vicksburg at the highest levels since 1937. Heavy rains to the North and locally are contributing to the historic rise.

*Deployment Completed: 4/29/2011*

**NCCC Southern Region**

Vicksburg, MS

NCCC Southern Region deployed one NCCC team of 4 members to work with the city of Vicksburg Mississippi. The team was engaged in an outreach campaign focused on providing residents with information on the predicted flooding of the Mississippi River. The team targeted flood prone areas and distributed safety and evacuation information. The team assessed the number of residents in each home. This information is of necessity for first responders. One member will continue to assist the city’s emergency management office with administrative support related to the flood preparations.

Mississippi Tornados-April 15th

A tornado moved through Hinds County Mississippi causing extensive damage in the towns of Clinton and in Jackson. The Governor declared a State of Emergency for 14 counties on April 15. There were 20 injuries and 1 fatality reported. There were 91 homes destroyed; 172 received major damage; 520 received minor damage.

*Deployment Completed*


**NCCC Southern Region & Mississippi State Service Commission**

Leakesville, MS

**Deployed Date: Sun April 17, 2011**

A Southern Region NCCC Team is working in partnership with the Mississippi State Service Commission & the MS Emergency Management Agency in southeast MS near the Alabama border. A tornado struck Leakesville, MS, Friday afternoon, causing severe damage to at least 30 homes. The team is assisting authorities with debris removal and with managing a Volunteer Reception Center.

Updated 5/4/11
Deployment Completed
NCCC Southern Region & Salvation Army
*Clinton & Jackson Counties, Mississippi*
**Deployed Date:** Sat April 16, 2011
One team of 6 NCCC members deployed to Clinton, Mississippi, (outside Jackson) to assist the Salvation Army in tornado-affected communities. The members are preparing and distributing food to emergency response workers and evacuation shelters. This response is within 24 hours after the tornado hit. This deployment with the Salvation Army builds on a set of pilot trainings the 160 member Southern Region NCCC campus received earlier this year from the Alabama-Louisiana-Mississippi Division of the Salvation Army's Southern Territory.

Deployment Completed
NCCC Southern Region & The American Red Cross
*Clinton, MS.*
**Deployed Date:** Sun April 17, 2011
Several Southern Region NCCC members are assisting the American Red Cross in managing an emergency shelter at a YMCA in Clinton, MS.

**North Carolina Tornadoes**
**Deployment Completed:** Thursday, April 28, 2011
**Woodville, NC**
**NCCC & One Economy**
**Deployed Date:** Wed, April 20, 2011
A Southern Region NCCC team arrived in Lewiston Woodville, NC, (Bertie County) on Wed. April 20, 2011. The NCCC team collaborated with One Economy in partnership with the Bertie County Family Resource Center. The team assisted with debris cleanup, donations sorting and distribution and other tasks as needed.

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