



OperationOC
Disaster Preparedness & Recovery Partnership
Monthly Operational Meeting
Sept. 10, 2012
Minutes

ATTENDANCE

Alan Weisenberger, Evangelical Christian Credit Union (ECCU)	Kevin Bigelow, Palo Verde Ave. Christian Church- Long Beach
Bob Evans, Vineyard Community Church	Lee Sandusky, Mariners Church
Brian McCormick, Calvary Chapel WestGrove	Les Ferguson, Cottonwood Church
Christine Moorefield, Newport Mesa Church	Lori Mayfield, NPSC
Don Thorpe, OperationOC	Marie Suffi , Vineyard Anaheim
Eric Tate , OperationOC	Martha Rivera , Vineyard Christian Fellowship
Gary Johnston, St. Mark Presbyterian/Newport Beach	Patty Weston, Brea Baptist
George Ullrich, St. Angela Merici	Peter Karl , Giving Children Hope
Georgette Quinn, The Beacon Church	Roger Tierney, Focus OC/COAD-OC/St. Mark Irvine
Gita Thompson , Moment	Sandra Huston, Vineyard Community Church
Glory Karl , Giving Children Hope	Sharon Cowart, Christian Mission Church
Grace Zambrana-Sutton, OC Sheriff's Department	Tom Cowart, Christian Mission Church
Jenny Hoang , OperationOC	Valerie Gribshaw, OC Social Services Agency
Jim Russell, Refuge Calvary Chapel Huntington Beach	Vicki McGuinness, OperationOC
Kelly Williamson, Evangelical Christian Credit Union (ECCU)	Wardy (Robert Ward), Vineyard Christian Fellowship
Keri Larned , The Wright Group	Anaheim

(**Bold** = new)

Welcome, Introductions

Training Division See calendar at www.operationoc.org

The Hope Force training scheduled for Oct 4-6, 2012, has been postponed until 2013.

- Ham Radio, Oct 12, 13, 14, 18, Huntington Beach; limit: 5
 - \$35/book, \$15/test fee
 - Additional info/flyer available on OpOC [training page](#)
- Wilderness & Remote First Aid, 2-day course, ~~Oct 20 & 21~~
 - Roger Tierney reports that it will be at O'Neill Regional Park. Learn how to handle medical emergencies when professional help will be delayed
 - *Update: This class has been postponed until spring of 2013*

Reports

- Brawley Earthquake Swarm: Vicki reported that this area experiences earthquake swarms regularly; generally do not result in anything above 5.5 magnitude; do not impact the southern San Andreas
- TS Isaac/Haiti: Hope Force Int'l Houses of Hope held up well!
- National Preparedness Month activities
 - Grace Zambrana-Sutton, OCSO, reported that on 9/20/12 at 10:00am, about 2 million county residents will receive a call as a test of the County's regional emergency mass notification system, AlertOC. [Register](#) today to participate.

- Les Ferguson, Cottonwood Church, reported plans for an earthquake drill during church services in October.
- Gary Johnston, St. Mark Presbyterian, reported that there will be a Disaster Preparedness Display set up during their flu shot event on 10/7/2012.
- Brian McCormick, Tru Hope, reported that Huntington Beach CERT will participate in a Disaster Preparedness Expo on 9/15/2012. Information/details on the Huntington Beach Library website.

Planning

Orders were taken for Wouxun radios; **additional orders must be received by Fri, 9/21**

- Emergency Supplies – 21 solar showers were sold
 - Next month: Utility Wrench for \$13/each
 - List went around for suggestions of other emergency supplies
 - Don Thorpe also announced the availability of red emergency backpacks with 2 days worth of water and food, and flashlight for \$15 ea; with First Aid kit, \$20. All prices include tax.
 - Bob Evans reported having sold 70 preparedness backpacks at Vineyard Community Church. Great job encouraging others to be prepared!
- Partners were encouraged to check out the resources for “Be Ready Sunday: Plan, Pledge, Practice” at <http://www.drc-group.com/project/brs.html>
- 2012 Great California ShakeOut earthquake drill, October 18th at 10:18 am
 - Georgette Quinn encouraged all Partners to conduct a “Drop, Cover & Hold On” drill.
 - Take pictures of your drill and send to [Vicki](#). Photos will be posted on the OpOC website and our social media sites to encourage more people to be prepared.
 - 2012 goal = participation of 10 million Californians
 - Register today at <http://www.shakeout.org/california/>
 - Additional resources at www.totallyunprepared.com

Upcoming Meetings/Seminars

- DP&RP Radio Communications Team, today, 2 pm at Conference Room in Admin Bldg.
- Center for Disaster Philanthropy Brown Bag Webinar, “The When, Where & How of Informed Disaster Giving”
 - Sept. 13, 9 – 10 am
 - 1-800-320-4330, pass code 214214# or <https://connect.hsin.gov/CDP>
- Irvine Women’s Interfaith Conference, Sept 15, 9 am – 1 pm
 - 1st Annual Conference, so please distribute flyers and spread the word!
 - *Update: Over 500 women attended this conference; emergency preparedness seminar was very well-received*
- Infragard, “Faith Under Attack,” Sept 19, 9a-1p, Westlake Village
 - Roger Tierney reported that it is designed for security managers
- Shelter Committee, Sept 26, 9:30 am; ARC, 600 Parkcenter Drive, Santa Ana, Room 208
 - Grace Zambrana-Sutton reported there is still space in the [shelter training](#)
 - Sept. 29th, 8-5 @ American Red Cross, Santa Ana
- [“Ready or Not!”](#) - Free workshop on personal emergency preparedness for older adults & people with disabilities; Anaheim, Friday, Oct 5, 9a-4p
 - Kevin Bigelow highly recommended this workshop with Anna Marie Jones
- [Red Cross Disaster Preparedness Academy](#), Wed, Oct 10;
 - Scholarships available – Before 9/20 = \$60 each
 - Group registration (5 or more people) – Before 9/20 = \$100/ea
 - As those in attendance preferred to submit group registrations for their own churches, there will be no group OperationOC registration.

Announcements/Round Table

- Monthly radio net, 4 pm today
- Radio net suggestions:
 - If reception/transmission is insufficient, try moving to a different location
 - If your transmission is not acknowledged, check your channel. It should be on **OPOCR**, not OPOCT (Talk around). Think of R in OPOCR as “right channel”
 - If you still can’t be heard, email [Vicki](#).
- Red Cross is available to present an emergency preparedness workshop at your site for groups of 10 or more people.
- Annual HCA POD exercise, October 19, 2012; free flu vaccinations will be available to the public. Five cities; Anaheim, Placentia, Stanton, Westminster and Laguna Niguel are hosting this year. Anaheim First Christian will host for Anaheim. Contact Joanne Gray for more info; contact info in Dropbox/DP&RP Shared Documents
- George Ullrich announced a meeting of the OpOC Financial Development team following the Partnership meeting.
- Over 140 water barrels were sold, approx 1/3 were sold to ECCU employees and friends! Thank you Kelly! *Update: OperationOC raised a total of \$720 through sales of the water barrels! Thank you, everyone!*
- Kevin Bigelow announced that Dr. Joyce Smith will be doing a workshop on 11/10/12 from 10:00-12:00 in Long Beach. Additional details on the [OpOC training page](#).
- Eric Tate will be the Liaison with OpOC and Partnership to help establish “Preparing Together” program.

Presentation on [Disaster Psychology](#) – Don Thorpe provided a great overview of trauma and stress as it impacts both disaster victims and responders, including:

- psychological and physiological symptoms of stress
- how to prevent and ameliorate stress
- the Critical Incident Stress Debriefing process
- team well-being

Prayer Update/Needs

- Kelly Williamson’s son, Corey (20): mass in neck, next to carotid artery (wisdom/ healing)
- Joanne Gray’s 2 daughters suffering after-effects of chemo
- Ken Schemmer’s mother: surgery today
- Bernie Koch’s son: terminal cancer
- Joey Beason: in Israel building bomb shelters
- Lee Sandusky’s wife, Adrienne: healing

Prayer & Close

Next Operational Meeting: Monday, **Oct. 1, 12 noon-2:00 pm**, at the Village of Hope Chapel