

SDVOAD MEMBERS

Adventist Community Services
American Red Cross
Catholic Family Services
Catholic Social Services
Help! Line Center
Humane Society of the United States
Lutheran Social Services
Mennonite Disaster Service
National Relief Charities
SD Division of Orphan Grain Train
Feeding South Dakota
EDEN
The Salvation Army
United Methodist Disaster Response
World Renew: Disaster Response Services

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

SD Department of Public Safety, Office of
Emergency Management

Federal Emergency Management Agency
Department of Homeland Security
National VOAD

*WORKING TOGETHER
TO HELP THOSE IN
NEED*

**SOUTH DAKOTA
VOLUNTARY
ORGANIZATIONS
ACTIVE IN
DISASTER**

SDVOAD



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Preparedness: Any activity taken in advance of a disaster that improves emergency readiness and develops or expands operational capabilities.

Response: Any action taken immediately before, during, or directly after a disaster occurs to save lives, minimize injuries, lessen property and environmental damage and enhance the effectiveness of recovery.

Recovery: A short-term activity to return vital life support systems to minimum operating standards and/or a long-term activity designed to return the affected people and areas to their pre-disaster conditions.

Mitigation: Any activity taken to eliminate or reduce the degree of long-term risk to human life, property, and the environment

What is South Dakota VOAD?

South Dakota VOAD is a network of agencies working together to foster efficient delivery of resources to people affected by disasters. The role is to support its members efforts by providing a forum to facilitate Coordination, Communication, Cooperation & Collaboration.



COORDINATION: Coordinates policy among member organizations, serves as the state liaison, advocate & voice to the National VOAD & supports the disaster response efforts of federal, state & local agencies & government.

COMMUNICATION: Encourages participation of agencies throughout the state, the formation of Regional VOADs, gives guidance to state & regional volunteer organizations active in disaster response & supports appropriate legislation.

COOPERATION: Meets South Dakota's relief & recovery needs within a cooperative framework.

COLLABORATION: Provides training to members to increase awareness & preparedness for each organization.

Mission

South Dakota Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (SDVOAD) is the forum where organizations share knowledge and resources throughout the disaster cycle—preparation, response and recovery—to help disaster survivors and their communities.

Values

- Our commitment to caring and compassion for all people is the foundation for all we do.
- A coordinated, inclusive approach provides the basis for a nurturing environment in which disaster response agencies will flourish.
- The quest for excellence in South Dakota VOAD programs by encouraging best practices and mutual accountability results in operational synergy.
- Our work will be accomplished in a respectful, non-judgmental, and non-discriminatory manner.
- Trust, mutual respect, and equal partnerships of community service providers are essential elements of our work.
- Providing hope – making a difference – offering opportunities for true collaboration - are the lifeblood and soul of the organization.

Thanks to the leadership of many SDVOAD organizations during the Missouri River Flood of 2011, we were able to provide over 26,000 volunteer hours to assist those in need!

Lisa Adler, SD VOAD President

Who should be a VOAD member?

- Voluntary organizations and faith-based groups engaged in disaster response
- Private sector partners that want to assist communities affected by disaster
- Organizations and community groups with a mission in emergency response

Services That Can Be Provided By SDVOAD Members:

- Management of unsolicited donations
- Management of spontaneous/unaffiliated volunteers
- Debris removal
- Construction
- Mental health/spiritual care
- Mass care (sheltering/feeding)
- Portable Showers
- MOD Sleeping Units
- Child/elder care
- Animal evacuation & sheltering
- Veterinary services
- Food banks
- Transportation
- Information & referral call centers
- Communications
- Case management
- Long-term recovery