

## Activities

During times of disaster, MNVOAD member organizations independently provide a variety of relief and recovery services to victims. MNVOAD facilitates improved service delivery by fostering **cooperation, coordination, communication and collaboration** (the 4 Cs) between voluntary agencies, government and the greater community.

During disasters, MNVOAD facilitates routine conference calls, which assist in interagency communication and efficient resource allocation. Additionally, it helps to identify unmet needs and locate available un-utilized resources. These services help to ensure best practices, thereby saving organizations money by reducing duplicative services, lost time and productivity and can also reduce response time to meet victims' basic needs.

In addition to services provided during times of disaster, MNVOAD holds bi-monthly members' meetings which provide a forum for participants to share experiences of their respective activities, express any concerns they may have, receive information on current items of interest that may involve their activities, and provide suggestions for any improvements to the essential 4 Cs to manage their activities with maximum efficiency.



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Promoting:

**Cooperation,  
Communication,  
Coordination and  
Collaboration in  
Disaster Response**

[www.mnvoad.org](http://www.mnvoad.org)

## Mission

The purpose of Minnesota Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster is to be the counterpart for the state of Minnesota to National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster. The objective of MNVOAD is to foster more effective service to people who have been, or may be in the future, affected by disaster through communication, coordination, cooperation, collaboration, convening mechanisms and outreach.

## Donations

While donated goods and services are sometimes needed for disaster, unsolicited goods can be a major burden for non-profits and disaster affected communities. Always directly consult with one of the voluntary agencies, MNVOAD or a representative of the disaster affected community before transporting any goods to a disaster affected community.

MNVOAD is unable to accept any unsolicited donated goods and recommends that cash donations be made directly to our member organizations.

For more information about donations management, visit:

- [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)
- [www.nvoad.org](http://www.nvoad.org)

## Volunteering

In times of disaster, MNVOAD's website will have information on the coordination of unaffiliated volunteers. However, we recommend that if you are interested in volunteering in times of disaster that you seek training prior to a disaster.

Below is a list of member organizations and websites that can provide information about services provided and additional links to volunteer opportunities. You can also visit MNVOAD at [www.mnvoad.org](http://www.mnvoad.org) to find descriptions of services provided by our member organizations and links to training opportunities.

## Members & Partners

- Adventist Disaster Response**  
[www.adventist.communityservices.org](http://www.adventist.communityservices.org)
- American Baptist Men**  
[www.nationalministries.org](http://www.nationalministries.org)
- American Humane Association**  
[www.americanhumane.org](http://www.americanhumane.org)
- American Radio Relay**  
[www.arrl.org](http://www.arrl.org)
- American Red Cross, Twin Cities Chapter**  
[www.redcrosstc.org](http://www.redcrosstc.org)
- American Red Cross, St. Croix Valley Chapter**  
[www.stcroixvalleyarc.org](http://www.stcroixvalleyarc.org)
- Animal Humane Society**  
[www.animalhumanesociety.org](http://www.animalhumanesociety.org)
- Arrowhead VOAD**
- Catholic Charities of St. Paul and Minneapolis**  
[www.ccspm.org](http://www.ccspm.org) or [www.catholiccharitiesusa.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org)
- Channel One Inc,**  
<http://www.channel1.org>
- Christian Reformed World Relief Committee**  
<http://www.crwrc.org>
- Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**
- Church World Service**  
[www.cwserp.org](http://www.cwserp.org)

## Members & Partners Continued

- FEMA Region V**  
[www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)
- Hope for the City**  
[www.hopeforthecities.org](http://www.hopeforthecities.org)
- Hunger Solutions of Minnesota**  
[www.hungersolutions.org](http://www.hungersolutions.org)
- Lutheran Disaster Response/ LSS**  
[www.lssmn.org](http://www.lssmn.org)
- Mennonite Disaster Services**
- Minneapolis CERT**  
[www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/emergency/CERT\\_Home.asp](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/emergency/CERT_Home.asp)
- Minnesota Animal Disaster Coalition**  
[www.minnesotaanimalcontrol.org](http://www.minnesotaanimalcontrol.org)
- Minnesota Citizen Corps**  
[www.citizen corps.gov](http://www.citizen corps.gov)
- Minnesota Conference of Seventh Day Adventists**  
[www.mnsda.com](http://www.mnsda.com)
- Minnesota Conference of United Methodist Church**  
<http://gbgm-umc.org/umcor/emergency.stm>
- Minnesota Conservation Corps**  
[www.conservationcorps.org](http://www.conservationcorps.org)
- Minnesota Council of Churches**  
[www.mnchurches.org](http://www.mnchurches.org)
- Minnesota Division of HSEM**  
[www.hsem.state.mn.us](http://www.hsem.state.mn.us)
- Minnesota Horse Council**  
[www.horses-mn.org](http://www.horses-mn.org)
- Minnesota Search and Rescue Dog Association**  
[www.minnsarda.com](http://www.minnsarda.com)
- Minnesota-Wisconsin Baptist Convention**  
[www.namb.net](http://www.namb.net)
- NECHAMA, Jewish Disaster Relief**  
[www.nechama.org](http://www.nechama.org)
- Presbytery of the Twin Cities**  
<http://ptcaweb.org>
- Radio Emergency Associated Communication T Teams—REACT**  
[www.reactintl.org](http://www.reactintl.org)
- Sabathani Community Center**  
[www.sabathani.org](http://www.sabathani.org)
- Second Harvest Heartland**  
[www.2harvest.org](http://www.2harvest.org)
- Southeast VOAD**
- The Salvation Army – Northern Division**  
[www.thesalarmy.com](http://www.thesalarmy.com)
- United Church of Christ, MN Conference**
- United Way– 211, Minnesota**  
[www.211unitedway.org](http://www.211unitedway.org)
- Washington County Emergency Management**  
[www.co.washington.mn.us/info\\_for\\_residents/](http://www.co.washington.mn.us/info_for_residents/)