



NJVOAD

New Jersey Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

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Welcome to NJVOAD

Dear Kelly,

This newsletter arrives a day earlier than normal as many are taking time off to celebrate the upcoming holiday. Please remember to register for the NJVOAD Annual Conference, there are only a few spots remaining!

MEETINGS AND CONFERENCE CALLS

Thu Mar 31

9:30am - 12:30pm

Hudson COAD Meeting & Zika Seminar - 110 S Hackensack Ave, Kearny, NJ 07032

Mon Apr 4

10:00am - 12:00pm

MONCOAD Meeting - 1415 Wyckoff Rd, Wall Township, NJ 07727

Tue Apr 5

10:00am - 11:00am

Tri-County COAD - Canaly Center, 5033 English Creek Avenue, Egg Harbor Township, NJ

Thu Apr 7

10:00am - 12:00pm

Ocean County LTRG General Meeting - Elks Lodge - 600 Washington Street
Toms River, NJ

Please check the [NJVOAD calendar](#) for updates to this schedule!

[Click Here for Minutes from the NJVOAD Conference Call \(3/18/2016\)](#)

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FREE TRAININGS FROM THE AMERICAN RED CROSS



Valued Partner,
The New Jersey Region of the American Red Cross would like to extend an invitation to you to join us at our Division's Disaster Training Institute being hosted at our Tinton Falls office location from Friday April 8th through Sunday April 10th. This Institute has been rescheduled from January when it was postponed due to Winter Storm Jonas! There are a variety of courses and workshops being offered; descriptions and details can be found below. You

Please submit posts for the next newsletter to [Themba](#) by Wednesday, April 6th.



NJVOAD 2016 Conference

Expanding NJ's Capacity:
Next Steps



NJVOAD is thrilled to have Jerome Hatfield as our Keynote Speaker at the April 13 conference. Be sure to [REGISTER](#) to attend and arrive on time so you don't miss the opportunity to hear him speak. Want to know why we're so excited? Check out his bio below, and you'll see!

Jerome Hatfield serves as the Regional Administrator in FEMA Region II. Appointed by President Obama in November 2013, he directs all aspects of federal emergency management for the States of New York and New Jersey, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Territory of the United States Virgin Islands and the Native American Tribes in the Region.

Mr. Hatfield oversees FEMA's Hurricane Sandy recovery effort in New York and New Jersey, implementing recovery innovations such as the Public Assistance Pilot Procedures Program to help streamline and maximize the delivery of assistance. Hatfield is responsible for a financial portfolio that reflects allocations to New York and New Jersey in upwards of \$20 billion. As the Regional steward of disaster relief funds, Hatfield emphasizes mitigating hazards and promoting resiliency to meet the challenges of climate change. Of the \$11.6 billion in FEMA Public Assistance dollars provided to New York and New Jersey for infrastructure repair and restoration, \$3.5 billion has been invested in mitigation efforts to protect against future storms.

Mr. Hatfield promotes cross-pollination of ideas, information sharing and coordination of effort among FEMA's program branches and external partners. He plays a pivotal role in the New York/New Jersey Federal Leadership Resilience Collaborative, consisting of Regional Administrators from six federal agencies dedicated to Hurricane Sandy rebuilding strategy. In partnering with traditional and contemporary stakeholders, incorporating public and private sectors, faith-based institutions, private non-profits, and volunteer organizations, Hatfield fosters an inclusive, whole community approach to survivor-centric engagement that emphasizes outreach to the Region's vulnerable populations of seniors, immigrants and people with disabilities.

Mr. Hatfield is federal lead for consequence management in support of crisis management operations for National Special Security Events in the Region, such as United Nations General Assemblies, the visit of Pope Francis and Super Bowl XLVIII.

Mr. Hatfield is a 27-year veteran of the New Jersey State Police where as a Lieutenant Colonel he served as the Deputy Superintendent of Homeland Security, overseeing more than 80 state and federal grant programs. He was responsible for strategic, tactical and operational coordination of personnel in special operations while also serving as the deputy director of the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management.

are welcome to attend as many of the sessions as you'd like. The benefits of attending are substantial yet the cost is free!

There is no cost to attend any of the offerings and the benefits of attending include; setting the foundational groundwork upon which to build or develop our working relationship, exploration of ideas and opportunities for working together, understanding expectations and strengths in our combined efforts, as well as the understanding of what we do and the knowledge and skill levels we expect from our own workforce.

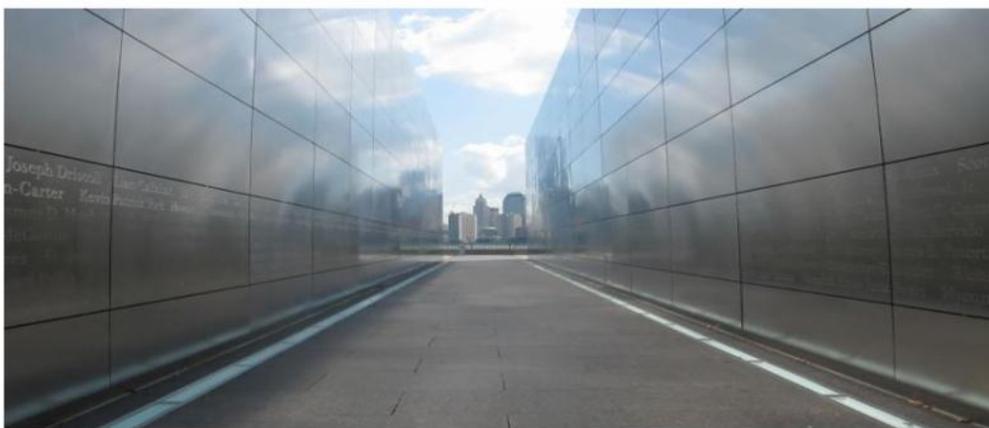
Location: American Red Cross, 1540 W Park Ave., Tinton Falls, NJ
To register contact: Linda at Linda.dequintal2@redcross.org
Partner registration closes at 5:00pm on Thursday, March 31st!

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO](#)

As a former Chairman to the Emergency Management Accreditation Program (EMAP), Mr. Hatfield was responsible for conducting nationwide assessments of state, territorial, federal and local emergency management and homeland security programs. In this role he led EMAP liaisons to Kenya in support of international assessments conducted in conjunction with other federal agencies. Additionally, he served as a member of the National Advisory Council (NAC) where he chaired the response and recovery subcommittee.

Mr. Hatfield holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree and is a graduate of the Center for Homeland Defense and Security, Naval Post Graduate School, Executive Leader's Program. He is a veteran of the United States Army and a Certified Public Manager (CPM), awarded by Farleigh Dickinson University.

VOICES OF SEPTEMBER 11TH SYMPOSIUM



VOICES Center of Excellence for Community Resilience New Jersey Symposium

Promoting Resilience in Communities Impacted by Trauma

[Wednesday, April 6, 2016](#)

Registration: 8:30 am
Program: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Rutgers University, Livingston Campus Student Center

2016 NATIONAL VOAD AWARD NOMINEES

The National VOAD Board of Directors invites all National Members, State/Territorial VOADs, and Partners to submit nominations for the 2016 National VOAD Awards. This year's awards will be presented at the 2016 Annual VOAD Conference Awards Dinner, which is being held Monday, May 23, 2016 at 7:00 PM in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The awards recognize organizational and individual excellence contributions that reflect "the best of the best" in service and support within the entire VOAD movement

We are accepting nominations for the following categories:

- * National Member of the Year
- * State/Territory VOAD of the Year
- * John "Jock" Menzies Partner of the Year
- * Innovative Program of the Year
- * Don Hampton Volunteer of the Year
- * Spirit Award



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