



**NJVOAD**

**New Jersey Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster**

May 20, 2016



Please click on the above photo from the 2016 NJVOAD Conference to access our webpage which contains more pictures as well as presentations from the conference (new presentations have been added!).

## Welcome to NJVOAD

Dear Kelly,

Please take a moment to read and respond to the letter from our legal partners requesting feedback related to the contractor issues after Hurricane Sandy.

## MEETINGS AND CONFERENCE CALLS

Fri May 27

10:00am - 11:00am

NJVOAD Call - Conference Call: 1-800-320-4330 / Pin 225748#

Thu Jun 2

10:00am - 12:00pm

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



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**NJVOAD MEMBERSHIP**

**MEETING**

**JUNE 16th at 10am**

**Jersey Cares**

**290 W. Mount Pleasant Avenue**

**Livingston, NJ 07039**



**Celebrating FEMA's  
human services  
partners in New York  
and New Jersey**

**FEMA STATE OF THE  
REGION EVENT**

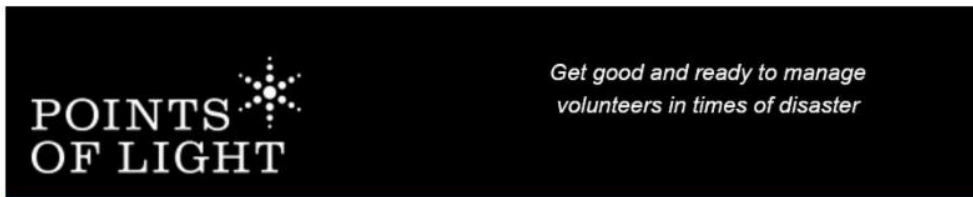
Please check the [NJVOAD calendar](#) for updates to this schedule!

## [CLICK HERE FOR MINUTES FROM THE NJVOAD CONFERENCE CALL \(APRIL 22, 2016\)](#)

Please submit posts for the next newsletter to [Themba](#) by Wednesday, June 1st.

## SANDY CONTRACTOR ISSUES - INFORMATION NEEDED

As we approach the fourth anniversary of Superstorm Sandy, there are still thousands of people who have not returned home. If you work with homeowners to help them navigate the RREM or LMI process, please click [HERE](#) to view a letter requesting feedback and input from two of our legal partners. Jessica Limbacher from Volunteer Lawyers for Justice and Rachel Ianieri with Community Health Law Project are combining efforts to present a collective view of the scale and scope of contractor issues that are plaguing survivors. Please review the link and respond directly to them with your feedback by 6/1. Thank you!



Points of Light and its partners are offering FREE online trainings to help your organizations, agencies, and volunteers respond to disasters.

### June Trainings

#### Management of Spontaneous Unaffiliated Volunteers Training

[June 1, 2016](#) | 2 - 4 p.m. ET

Presented by Ken Skalitzky, Emergency Management Director, Volunteer Florida

Disasters often evoke an outpouring of individuals wanting to be a part of response and relief activities. These individuals, although well-intentioned, are rarely trained and can add to the already overtaxed resources available to assist the impacted community. This online training will help organizations manage "spontaneous" volunteers effectively, including standing up a volunteer reception center. To reserve a spot in this training, please visit:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2168552864187282690>

## FEMA 2016 STATE OF THE REGION EVENT (NJ AND NY)



Event to be held at the following time, date, and location:  
[Tuesday, June 21, 2016](#) from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM (EDT)

FEMA Region 2  
Jacob Javits Federal Building  
26 Federal Plaza, 6th floor  
New York, NY 10278

[View Map](#)

Attend Event

### Celebrating FEMA's human services partners in New York and New Jersey

Dear ESF-6 partner,  
If you have not already done so, please reserve your seat today for the upcoming FEMA State of the Region (NY/NJ) event on [Tuesday June 21, 2016](#). Regional Administrator Jerome Hatfield and other FEMA Region 2 leadership invite representatives from New Jersey and New York voluntary, faith, and community-based organizations, and state and local government human services agencies to this one-day event.

The State of the Region will:

- Recognize the important relationship between Region II and its NGO/PNP partners,
- Educate partners on FEMA program areas,
- Promote FEMA resources, including training and technical assistance, and
- Encourage partners to meet and interact with the Regional Administrator, Deputy Regional Administrator, and FEMA's subject-matter experts.

The event is free, but seating is limited, so please REGISTER today, and PRINT OUT and BRING your ticket on the day of the event.  
If you are an individual with a disability and will need an accommodation before the meeting, please email [FEMA-R2VAL@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-R2VAL@fema.dhs.gov) no later than June 10, 2016.

## What is Cyber Security and How Does It Relate to Emergency Management?

June 15, 2016 | 2 - 4 p.m. ET

Presented by Siobhan Mullen, Managing Associate, Hagerty Consulting

As cyber security begins to move to the forefront of the national agenda, this webinar looks to provide clarity as to what exactly cyber security is, including cyber basics such as types of threats and defining the related concepts. In addition, participants will begin to understand the complex relationship between cyber-attacks and emergency management, the barriers that face the industry in understanding the cyber threat, and potential solutions for moving forward.

To register for this training, visit:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/277769996900959234>

## Operation Volunteer Placement: A Volunteer Reception Center Exercise

June 22, 2016

Operation Volunteer Placement allows agencies and organizations tasked with the coordination of spontaneous volunteers during a disaster to exercise their plan in a web-based simulation. Participants work together as a unified team in establishing, managing and demobilizing a Volunteer Reception Center.

This exercise is intended for group interaction and should include local partners involved in the management of disaster volunteers, including EMAs and sister government agencies, VOADs, and other nonprofits. This exercise is self-paced and can be accessed between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. ET. It lasts between 90 minutes and three hours, depending on group interaction.

NOTE: While intended for group interaction, each participant should individually register to ensure receipt of post-exercise certificate of participation.

For additional information and to register, visit: [www.drc-group.com/project/vrc.html](http://www.drc-group.com/project/vrc.html)

## WE STAND STRONG: YOUTH DISASTER PREP GRANT PROGRAM

In partnership with Save the Children, a global leader in disaster preparation and relief, YSA is supporting youth organizations in helping their communities get ready for disasters. Through the We Stand Strong program, apply for training and project grants that help youth leaders organize disaster preparedness awareness events (Prep Rallies) and service projects (Prep Projects) on September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance. This year, the program is focused on the following regions: the Mid-Atlantic (DC, MD, VA), the South (OK, TX, AR, LA, MS), California, and the Northeast Tri-State Area (NY, NJ, CT). Applications are due June 10, 2016.

Learn more and apply online here: <http://ysa.org/grants/organization-grants/westandstrong/>



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