

US Area Disaster Program

Gulf Coast Disaster Area

As Y's Men and Women we have donated our money to assist in the recovery of the Gulf Coast Area from the Katrina Disaster. Some of us would like to do more.

As your Community Relations/Disaster Preparedness Director, I have been directed by our US Area President Rob Wilby and Council to recruit one or two teams of five to ten person that will volunteer for at least one week of work at a YMCA in this area that still need some help.

Two YMCA'S have been recommended to us from that area that may still need some assistance. One of the two YMCA 'S is the YMCA of Greater New Orleans. The CEO of this YMCA specifically ask for assistance in two of the areas day care facilities. Do we have Y's Men and Women with skills in this area?

The other YMCA recommended is the Lake Charles, LA, YMCA. At this time I do not know in what area they may need help. Hopefully, painters, carpentry, electrical, computers, administrative skills etc is needed.

We need the help of all Y's Men and Women. We need volunteers that are willing to give a week to help in some way in the gulf coast area.

It is our intention to deploy one or two teams before the end of February 2007. I am sure that we can count on you. Contact your club president, regional director or me at 314-652-7871 or email mc_johnson@sbcglobal.net

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