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Partnering with National & State/Territory Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (VOADs), both at the national and state/territorial levels, are critical partners across the entire disaster cycle, supporting individuals and communities in preparing for, responding to, and recovery from disasters.

This document is intended to provide Community Health Centers (CHCs) with an overview of National and State/Territory VOADs, including a summary of the services they may be able to provide and resources to support outreach. Partnering with your state VOAD can help your CHC gain access to communication tools, a comprehensive list of volunteer organizations that can assist your center in the event of an emergency, and more. Work with your state and/or local VOAD to learn more about what resources they can provide or how they can help during the next disaster in your area.

What is the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster?

The [National VOAD](#) is an association of organizations that “mitigate and alleviate the impact of disasters, provides a forum promoting cooperation, communication, coordination, and collaboration; and fosters more effective delivery of services to communities affected by disaster.”

NVOAD is dedicated to whole community engagement and is committed to providing services without discrimination as well as providing culturally appropriate forums and services honoring all individuals from different backgrounds.



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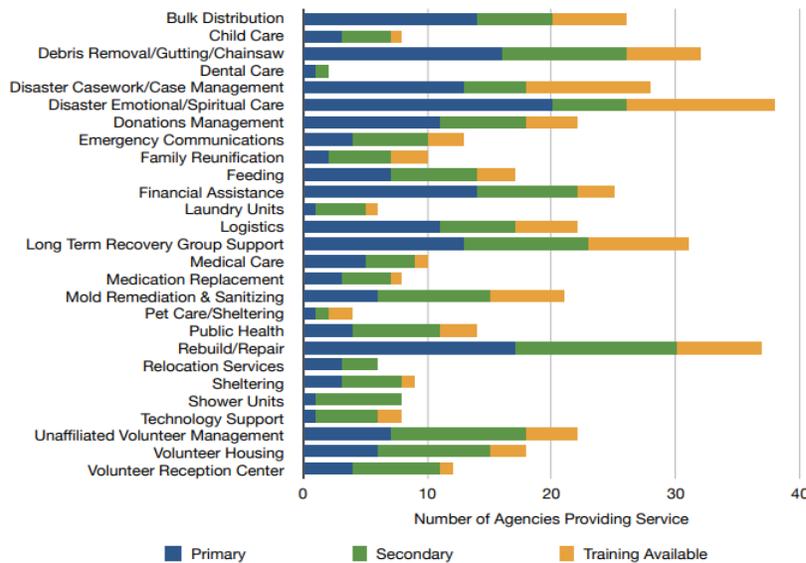
Membership of The NVOAD includes a coalition of the nation’s most reputable national organizations (faith-based, community-based, and other non-profit organizations) that respond to disasters and play critical roles in restoring towns to their pre-disaster conditions.

Where can I find my State/Territory Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters?

In addition to the NVOAD, all 50 states and some US territories have an active state VOAD. The contact information for each of these groups can be found [here](#) or at the end of the document.

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What services do the National and State VOADs provide?



The National VOAD:

The NVOAD provides support for a variety of disasters and public health emergencies (PHEs) such as hurricanes, tornados, or infectious disease outbreaks, including supporting the COVID-19 pandemic response.

State and Territorial VOADs:

State and territory VOADs function similarly to the NVOAD, and provide support by adhering to the [4 C's](#).

Figure 1. Services provided by National VOAD Members. Retrieved from: <https://www.nvoad.org/wp-content/uploads/National-VOAD-Triennial-Review-2021-Final.pdf>

- 1. Communication:** VOADs recognize that maintaining channels for information sharing is critical, including corresponding needs to non-profits and agencies that act in response to disasters.
- 2. Cooperation:** VOADS work within the VOAD Movement to work with multiple partners, share resources, and ensure that community needs are met.
- 3. Coordination:** Once on the ground, State/Territory VOADs coordinate response efforts to ensure the delivery of goods and services to communities affected by disaster.
- 4. Collaboration:** VOADs will continue to work together across all levels, from Local VOADs, Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD), to Federal agencies, to ensure that communities are made whole following disasters.

How can my CHC leverage VOADs during an emergency?

Collaborations with VOADs can happen at any time before, during, or after a disaster. VOADs can help with preparedness, response, and recovery efforts such as connecting your CHC with volunteers that are specialized in specific fields such as housing, medication replacement, and donation management. CHCs can utilize these services in addition to their current partnerships (HCCs, PCAs, other regional networks) to create a more cohesive and long-term recovery effort. The specified services provided by VOADs also provide CHCs assistance in supporting, identifying, and addressing the needs of [at-risk individuals and people with access and functional needs](#).

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Connect with [your state](#) or local VOAD today to better understand how they may be able to help your CHC during a disaster, and how you may be able to work together in the future.

Contact your State VOAD

State/Territory	VOAD Contact	Website
Alabama	alvoad@nvoad.org	https://www.alvoad.org/
Alaska	akvoad@nvoad.org	https://www.akvoad.org/
American Samoa	asvoad@nvoad.org	https://www.asvoad.org/
Arizona	azvoad@nvoad.org	https://www.azvoad.org/
Arkansas	arvoad@nvoad.org	https://sites.google.com/prod/view/arvoad
California	cavoad@nvoad.org	http://www.calvoad.org/
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands	cnmivoad@nvoad.org	https://www.cnmivoad.org/
Colorado	covoad@nvoad.org	https://www.covoad.org/
Connecticut	ctvoad@nvoad.org	https://www.ctvoad.org/
DC	dcvoad@nvoad.org	https://www.dcvoad.org/
Delaware	devoad@nvoad.org	https://www.devoad.org/
Florida	fivoad@nvoad.org	N/A
Georgia	gavoad@nvoad.org	https://www.gavoad.org/
Guam	guvoad@nvoad.org	https://www.guvoad.org/
Hawaii	hivoad@nvoad.org	https://www.hawaiiystatevoad.org/
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Kentucky	kyvoad@nvoad.org	http://kentuckyvoad.org/
Louisiana	lavoad@nvoad.org	N/A
Maine	mevoad@nvoad.org	http://mevoad.org/
Maryland	mdvoad@nvoad.org	http://mdvoad.org/
Massachusetts	mavoad@nvoad.org	http://massvoad.org/
Michigan	mivoad@nvoad.org	https://www.michiganvoad.org/
Minnesota	mnvoad@nvoad.org	https://mnvoad.wildapricot.org/
Mississippi	msvoad@nvoad.org	http://mississippivoad.org/
Missouri	movoad@nvoad.org	N/A
Montana	mtvoad@nvoad.org	http://mtvoad.org/
Nebraska	nevoad@nvoad.org	http://nevoad.org/
Nevada	nvvoad@nvoad.org	http://nvvoad.org/
New Hampshire	nhvoad@nvoad.org	http://nhvoad.org/
New Jersey	njvoad@nvoad.org	http://www.njvoad.org/
New Mexico	nmvoad@nvoad.org	http://nmvoad.weebly.com/
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Oregon	orvoad@nvoad.org	http://orvoad.org/
Pennsylvania	pavoad@nvoad.org	http://pavoad.org/
Puerto Rico	prvoad@nvoad.org	https://www.prvoad.org/
Rhode Island	rivoad@nvoad.org	http://rivoad.org/
South Carolina	scvoad@nvoad.org	http://southcarolinavoad.org/
South Dakota	sdvoad@nvoad.org	http://southdakotavoad.org/
Tennessee	tnvoad@nvoad.org	http://tnvoad.org/
Texas	chairperson@txvoad.org	https://www.txvoad.org/
US Virgin Islands	usvivoad@nvoad.org	http://www.vivoad.org/
Utah	utvoad@nvoad.org	https://utahvoad.org/
Vermont	vtvoad@nvoad.org	http://vtvoad.org/
Virginia	vavoad@nvoad.org	http://www.virginiaivoad.org/
Washington	wavoad@nvoad.org	http://wavoad.org/
West Virginia	info@wvovoad.org	https://wvovoad.org/
Wisconsin	wivoad@nvoad.org	http://wivoad.org/
Wyoming	wyvoad@nvoad.org	http://wyvoad.org/