



## STLCOAD REGIONAL PROFILE DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE NETWORK

Established in 2014, the STLCOAD has a  
*Mission: To ensure 2.8M St. Louis City-County residents are prepared to survive disasters*

### Background

The St. Louis Area Long Term Recovery Committee (LTRC) was established in 2009 to facilitate sustainable disaster recovery. It is comprised of nonprofit and faith-based organizations along with local, state and federal agencies to provide a continuous cycle of

**Preparedness > Response > Recovery > Mitigation**

Through a Memorandum of Understanding, the LTRC designated The United Way of Greater St. Louis, a Missouri Nonprofit Corporation [501(c)3] as its fiduciary agent.

In keeping with an evidence-based national model of coordination and interdependencies, the LTRC adopted bylaws in July 2014 to form the St. Louis City and County Community Organizations Active in Disasters (STLCOAD). United Way remains its fiduciary agent.

Meetings: Quarterly – January, April, July, October

Except when LTRC convenes as needed for active disaster/emergency response

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### Structure of a COAD

A COAD will enhance the community's ability to mitigate, prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters using FEMA's (Federal Emergency Management Agency) Whole Community Concept. At its core are agreed upon objectives to Collaborate, Cooperate, Coordinate and Communicate available resources including:

- **Law Enforcement** [first responders, disaster area security]
- **Mass Care** [shelters, feeding distribution, pet shelter, evacuation reunification]
- **Volunteer and Donations Management** [organize/train/deploy; distribute/warehouse]
- **Emergency Assistance** [debris removal, multi-agency resources for homeowners/renters]
- **Spiritual and Emotional Care** [pastoral intercession, agency referrals]
- **Public Health** [medical materials; surge, facility management, epidemiological response]
- **Long Term Recovery** [funds for 'declared disasters' might be available from SEMA and FEMA; local contributions might include funds, goods, services, and in-kind donations to address the community's unmet needs through case management]

## NETWORKS

<b>STLCOAD</b>	<p>Sub-Committees enhance purpose and function (<i>See Attached</i>) To increase visibility/engagement, we are exploring website/social media options with <a href="http://www.allreadystl.com">www.allreadystl.com</a> and other collaborating partners.</p> <p>Ideally, disaster preparedness and recovery efforts exceeding the STLCOAD's capacity are assisted by other COADS and/or emergency management agencies.</p>
<b>Other COADs</b>	<p>There are seven (7) COADs in the region of St. Louis metro/southern Illinois, including: STL City-County, St. Charles County, Jefferson County, Franklin County, St. Clair County, Madison County, and Monroe County. All are eligible members of SLARCC (see below).</p> <p>Presently St. Louis City-County, St. Charles County, and Franklin County have formed COADS. Others are in various stages of formalizing partnerships assisted by established COADS and other agencies. <a href="http://www.allreadystl.com/informed.html">http://www.allreadystl.com/informed.html</a></p>
<b>SLARCC</b>	St. Louis Area Regional Coalition of COADs (open to all seven COADs)
<b>VOAD</b>	Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters: <i>nonprofit, government and faith-based agencies, usually but not always registered with MOVOAD.</i>
<b>MOVOAD</b>	Missouri Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters: <a href="http://www.movoad.org">www.movoad.org</a>
<b>NVOAD</b>	National Volunteer Organizations Active in Disasters: <a href="http://www.nvoad.org">www.nvoad.org</a>
<b>SEMA</b>	State Emergency Management Agency: <a href="http://www.sema.dps.mo.gov/">www.sema.dps.mo.gov/</a>
<b>FEMA</b>	Federal Emergency Management Agency: <a href="http://www.fema.gov">www.fema.gov</a>

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