

COOPERATION | COMMUNICATION | COORDINATION | COLLABORATION

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# **Fact Sheet**

#### Mission

The mission of the Hawaii Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (HVOAD) is to facilitate the provision of comprehensive services to the people of Hawaii in disaster preparedness, response, and recovery, by fostering cooperation, communication, coordination, and collaboration.

#### Meetings

Monthly meetings are held on the third Wednesdays of each month at 2:00 pm, except November (TBA) and December (no meeting.) All meetings are conducted by Zoom

#### **About Hawaii VOAD**

The Hawaii VOAD is the state chapter of the National VOAD. The VOAD consists of nonprofits, faith-based, and community organizations, as well as government and private sector partners that voluntarily choose to provide some form of disaster-related services throughout the state of Hawaii.

The role of Hawaii VOAD is to bring organizations together and enable them to understand each other and work together before, during and after a disaster. In addition to the State VOAD based in Honolulu, there is the O`ahu COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disaster), Maui COAD, Kaua'i COAD, and Big Island COAD. HVOAD is led by an Executive Board of four officers plus directors. Additionally, there are six committees that focus on a specific disaster topic.

The members of Hawaii VOAD adhere to the four principles established by the National VOAD. These are referred to as the 4C's: \*Cooperation \*Communication \*Coordination \*Collaboration

These principles serve as the foundation for the Hawaii VOAD as it collaborates with local, regional and national partners to coordinate disaster preparedness, response, and recovery.

### **Hawaii VOAD Members**

Membership in Hawaii VOAD is open to any organization that has a role to play in helping communities in Hawaii prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters. Nonprofits, faith-based, community, and private-sector organizations may all become full voting members. Government agencies may become non-voting partners. Paying members are not only members of HVOAD but also their COAD. Annual membership dues are \$25 per county of physical presence (e.g. Red Cross operates in the four counties and pays \$100.00).

#### **Member Agencies**

Access to Independence Aloha United Way/211 American Radio Relay League **American Red Cross Be Ready Manoa Catholic Charities Hawaii Church of Latter-Day Saints (LDS) Charities Churches of Scientology Disaster Response** Hawaii Citizen Church Maui **Crisis Cleanup Cultural & Linguistic Outreach International** Feed My Sheep Foursquare Disaster Relief **Hawaii Habitat for Humanity Association** Hawaii Kai Strong Hawaii Foodbank and Hawaii Foodbank Kaua`i

**Hawaii Pacific Baptist Convention Hawaii Humane Society** Hawaii United Methodist Union Helping Hands Hawaii Honpa Hongwanji Mission of Hawaii **Island Prep Group** Kailua Alert & Prepared Keiki to Kupuna Foundation Kilauea Drama & Entertainment Network (KDEN) **Koolaupoko Emergency Preparedness and** Response Lanakila Pacific Mennonite Disaster Service Region 4 Na Hoaloha - Maui Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers Our Kupuna

Hawaii Meals on Wheels

Pacific Health Ministry
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
Project Vision Hawai'I
Seventh Day Adventist - Hawaii Conference
Sheep Dog Impact Assistance-Hawaii Team
Team Rubicon
The Episcopal Church in Hawaii

The Salvation Army
Tzu Chi Foundation
United Methodist Church Hawaii District
Visitor Aloha Society Hawaii
Waikiki Health
Waikiki Community Center

## **Government Partner Agencies**

FEMA - Pacific Area Office Medical Reserve Corps/ Dept. of Health Honolulu Dept. of Emergency Management Hawaii Emergency Management Agency