



# Hawaii Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

COOPERATION | COMMUNICATION | COORDINATION | COLLABORATION

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## Fact Sheet

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### Mission

The mission of the Hawaii Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) 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 2:30 p.m., except November (annual meeting luncheon) and December (no meeting). A conference line is available for those who cannot attend in person.

### About Hawaii VOAD

Hawaii VOAD is a state chapter of the National VOAD. VOAD consists of nonprofits, faith-based and community-based organizations, as well as government and private sector partners that voluntarily provide some form of disaster-related services throughout the state of Hawaii. The role of Hawaii VOAD is to bring organizations together, enable the organizations to understand each other and work together before during and after a disaster.

In addition to the state VOAD, which is based in Honolulu, county VOADs are located on Maui, Kaua'i, and East Hawaii (Hamakua District to Ka`u District). VOAD is led by an executive board of four officers. Additionally, there are six work groups 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. The 4C's 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 VOAD** is open to any organization that has a role in helping communities in Hawaii prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters. Nonprofits, faith-based and community-based organizations have full voting rights. Government and business partner members are non-voting partners. Annual membership dues are \$50.

#### Member Agencies

Access to Independence  
Amateur Radio Relay League  
Be Ready Manoa  
Children's Disaster Services  
Ewa Emergency Preparedness Committee  
Hawaii Foodbank  
Honpa Hongwanji  
Hawaii Pacific Baptist Convention  
International Church of the Foursquare Gospel  
Kailua Alert & Prepared  
Pacific Health Ministry  
Southern Baptist Disaster Relief  
The Salvation Army  
Visitor Aloha Society of Hawaii

Aloha United Way - 211  
American Red Cross  
Catholic Charities

Hawaii Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists  
Helping Hands Hawaii  
Hawaiian Humane Society  
Hawaii United Methodist Union  
Interagency Council on Immigrant Services  
Latter-day Saints Charities  
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance  
Team Rubicon  
Tzu Chi Foundation

#### Government Partner Agencies

Hawaii Department of Defense  
Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA)  
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) - Pacific Area Office

Hawaii Department of Health/Medical Reserve Corps.  
Honolulu Department of Emergency Management

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