

FEMA Are You Ready Guide

(<http://www.fema.gov/areyouready/index.shtm>)

Extensive guide on preparing for disasters. The entire document is available online, in pdf format and in bookform. Also available is the Are You Ready? Facilitator Guide (IS-22FG). The Facilitator Guide is a tool for those interested in delivering Are You Ready? content in a small group or classroom setting. The Facilitator Guide has instruction modules for adults, older children, and younger children. Copies of Are You Ready? and the Facilitator Guide are available through the FEMA publications warehouse (1.800.480.2520).

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

<http://www.pcusa.org/pda>

The PDA web site has a number of resources for training.

(<http://www.pcusa.org/pda/response/news/hopeheal.htm>). HOPE, HELP, HEAL is an ecumenical curriculum designed especially for church leaders that will begin the planning process by introducing the holy - yet practical - ministry of disaster response.

Peace River Presbytery (Southwest Florida)

<http://www.peaceriverpresbytery.org/cre.revised.htm>

Peace River Presbytery has an excellent plan with attachments that are easily adapted to the needs of any church. Although the Peace River Plan is strongly oriented toward hurricanes, many of the checklists are general.

The American Red Cross

http://www.redcross.org/services/prepare/0,1082,0_239_00.html

The Red Cross provides a series of articles covering all aspects of Disaster Preparedness

Church World Service

Prepare to Care: Guide to Disaster Ministry In Your Congregation

<http://www.cwserp.org/training/ptc/carecon.php>

This online resource provides an overview of church response to disasters in their communities and in the world. It does not provide detailed help for planning for local disasters, but is an excellent general resource.