



Hurricane Katrina Relief Listserv

Working in Partnership Regionally to Best Serve Hurricane Katrina Evacuees

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The Hurricane Katrina Listserv is a vehicle by which people and organizations looking to provide evacuee relief can post and receive breaking news and information, as well as ask questions that will be made available to a number of public, private and non-profit organizations working to provide aid to evacuees.

If you're sending out press releases, have breaking news or other information, or would like to post a question, please forward them to crisis.response@uwsem.org.

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Hurricane-related job losses increase (from Associated Press & ABC News)

The number of people thrown out of work from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita rose to 363,000 last week as the adverse economic effects of the Gulf Coast hurricanes continued to mount.

[Visit here to read more.](#)

<http://abcnews.go.com/Business/wireStory?id=1189558>



FEMA outlines tax relief legislation for Katrina evacuees

For Katrina evacuees now living in other states, there may be tax relief on the horizon, federal and state recovery officials said today. Under new legislation, Katrina victims who can itemize deductions will be able to claim their entire disaster loss, minus any insurance payments or other reimbursements.

[Visit here to read more.](#)

<http://www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=19443>



Hurricane Fraud Cases Surprise Even Officials (from the New York Times)

More than a month after the hurricane devastated the Gulf Coast, evidence is mounting that cheaters across the nation are trying to cash in on the catastrophe with a boldness that surprises even some longtime law enforcement officials.

[Visit here to read more.](#)

<http://www.uwsem.org/katrina/listserv/nytimes10052005.pdf>



UWSEM offers relief fund to help evacuees

In an effort to help support the needs of evacuees in Metro Detroit, United Way for Southeastern Michigan will begin distribution of the Metro Detroit Hurricane Katrina Response Fund, which is a limited, last resort, one-time fund to help evacuees with utility costs, security deposits and transportation. All applications must be completed by a human service professional on behalf of clients.

Click [here](#) to download the application.

<http://www.uwsem.org/katrina/listserv/HurricaneKatrinaResponseFundApplication.pdf>



Metro Detroit Katrina Response Meeting set for October 11

As a follow-up to the September 7 Katrina Relief meeting at the Ramada Inn, a community-wide meeting will be held on October 11 from 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. at the Southfield Public Library located at 26300 Evergreen Road. Visit <http://www.sfldlib.org/general/geninfo.html>

for a map and directions to the library.

Representatives of the Red Cross, Michigan Department of Human Services, FEMA, City of Southfield and United Way will update community stakeholders on regional relief efforts that have been undertaken to date, and to discuss how coordination of response efforts can be strengthened in the future.

Refreshments will be served beginning at 8:00 a.m. with the meeting starting in the library auditorium promptly at 8:30. No food or drink will be allowed in the auditorium.

Call Norma Mills at (313) 226-9481 or [click here](#) to register.

<http://www.uwsem.org/katrina/1011reg.html>

Quick Links

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- [UW Metro Detroit Katrina Relief Website](#)
 - [City Airport Intake Chart](#)
 - [United Way TelHelp/2-1-1 Resource Listing - Daily Update](#)

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