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## Red, White, and Blue

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The old saying, "It takes all kinds," certainly held true for staffing the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Hurricane Ike Recovery Field Office in Pasadena, Texas. It was manned by volunteers from as far away as Hawaii in the west to New England in the East.

"It was an All American effort," said Col. David Weston, serving as commander of both the Corps Galveston District and the Task Force Pacesetter Recovery Field Office.

The red shirts are worn by those working in the field, white shirts represent the administrative support volunteers and blue shirts are worn by representatives of the Department of the Interior.

The Recovery Field Office reached a peak of more than 500 Corps volunteers during the recovery operations. Main thrust of the RFO was the mission assigned by FEMA to oversee the placing of temporary roofing repairs on nearly 37,000 damaged homes and businesses in the greater Houston/Galveston area.



From left, in red, Jennie Nowakowski (LRD), Mary Ellen Farmer (LRN), Belinda Taylor (SAM), Doug Ward (SAW), in white, Lisa Yoakum (SWL), Bonnie Ingalls (NWP), Nancy Knapik (NWW), Elizabeth Shelton (SWG), in blue, Harvey Edwards, Jeff Cross, John Pattie and Scott O'Meara all Department of the Interior. (USACE photo)