



Southern Indian Health Council, Inc.

San Diego County Fires October 2007





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- Near one of our consortium tribes, Barona.



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October 2007

- Sunday Oct. 21 –Friday Oct. 26, 2007
- “Santa Ana winds” condition
 - 35 –60 MPH sustained winds from the East
 - 80 MPH gusts
- Total of 7 fires
- Approximately 350,450 acres burned
- *547.5 square miles!*
- *1259 structures destroyed*

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- 9 deaths
- Evacuations ordered for approximately 640,000 residents
- Hundreds of miles of commercial infrastructure (power, communications) destroyed.

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Southern Indian Health Council, Inc. Response Team

- Monday, October 22nd
- We opened with approximately 10 employees present – emergency response mobilization began.



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- Tuesday, October 23rd
- SIHC Alpine and Campo pharmacies opened with 7 staff
- Patients contacted, medications distributed



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- Wednesday, October 24th
- 75% of SIHC staff present; emergency response meeting and mobilization



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• Southern Indian Health Council's Command Center



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- Firestorm update – continuous live streaming news coverage



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• Emergency Phone Center



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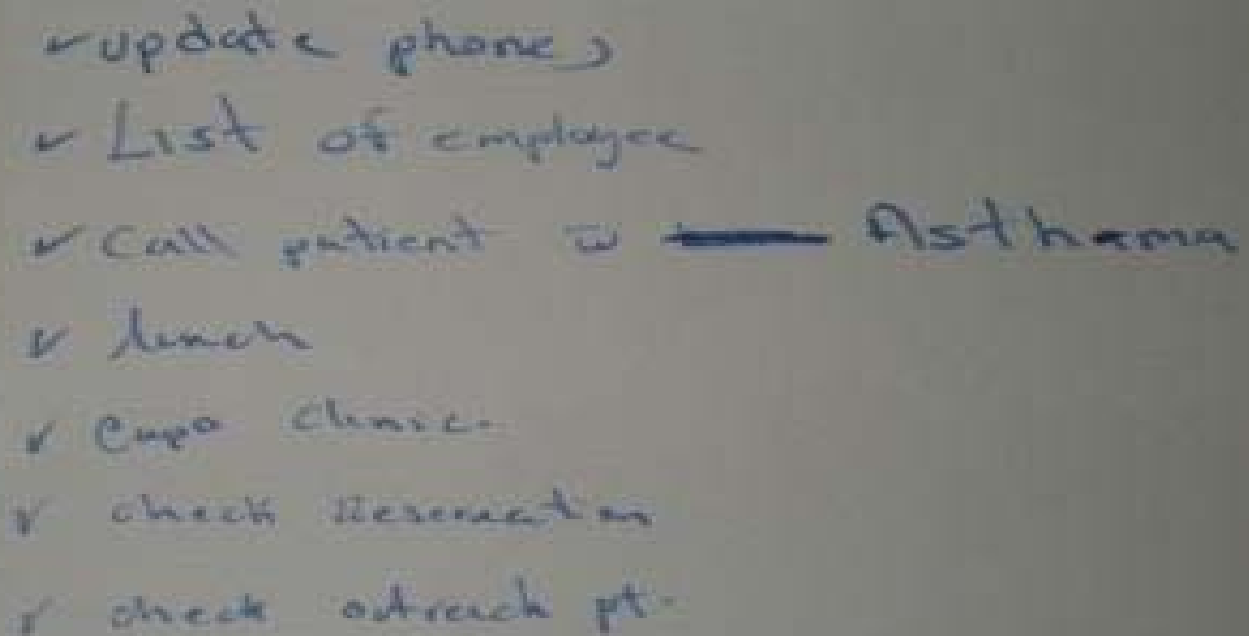
• Command Center - Distribution



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- Command Center - task list

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- A photograph of a notepad with a handwritten task list. The notepad is white with a black border and is placed on a wooden surface. The handwriting is in blue ink. The tasks are listed with checkmarks. At the top of the notepad, there are some faint, illegible markings that appear to be 'Status', 'Patient Center', and '2015-11-18'.
- ✓ update phone
 - ✓ List of employees
 - ✓ Call patient w ~~---~~ Asthma
 - ✓ lunch
 - ✓ Cupo check
 - ✓ check reservation
 - ✓ check outreach pt.

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- Thursday, October 25th
- Staff preparing Meals On Wheels at Viejas Indian School



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- Meal preparation – Viejas Indian School



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- Meal packaging for delivery



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• Debrief & Recovery



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- Contacted 350 patients with chronic health and breathing problems
- Dispensed and delivered medications from both Alpine and Campo Clinics
- Performed 23 physician visits in the field
- Transported dialysis patients
- Distributed and prepared 170 Elder meals

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- Conclusion: The Fires in San Diego County prompted the reallocation of Southern Indian Health Council resources to meet the needs of our community. Our staff, many who were evacuees themselves, contacted patients by phone and delivered medications, meals, water, and breathing masks.

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Seth Barnwell

Born October 23, 2007



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Thank You!

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