

# Number of Volunteers in Year 2 of Katrina Recovery Exceeds Historic 1<sup>st</sup> Year



**Volunteers in 2007: 600,000**  
**Volunteers in 2006: 550,000**  
**Total Volunteers Since Katrina: 1,150,000**  
**Total Volunteer Hours: 14,000,000**



## By the Numbers: A Sampling of Gulf Coast Volunteer Activities from August 2006 to August 2007

- 9,220 homes . . . . . Rebuilt, repaired, or cleaned by Lutheran Disaster Services volunteers
- 1,800 people a month . . . . . Served meals by Mobile Episcopal Relief and Development
- 1,575,000 hours . . . . . Served by Salvation Army volunteers
- 1,100 homes . . . . . Built or under construction by Habitat for Humanity, including more than 700 since August 2006
- 20,000+ college students . . . . . Sacrificed Spring Break to volunteer in the Gulf region
- 59 playgrounds . . . . . Built by KaBOOM! volunteers to replace facilities destroyed in the storms
- 18,160 response kits . . . . . Distributed thanks to Presbyterian Disaster Services
- 5,719 check ups . . . . . Performed by the Mobile Medical Unit of Episcopal Relief and Development
- 31,115 evacuees . . . . . Received emergency services from Travelers Aid volunteers
- 553 families . . . . . Received case management services by volunteers with the International Relief and Development and Christian Reformed World Relief Agency

**1,000,000 more volunteers Needed to support the Gulf Coast's recovery efforts!**

**NOTE:** The facts and figures in this sheet attempt to capture the incredible outpouring of compassion by our nation's volunteers in the two years since Katrina struck. They represent "best estimates" based on self-reported data gathered by the Corporation for National and Community Service from a group of volunteer-driven organizations in an effort to understand the overall volunteer contributions to the relief and recovery efforts. The 2006 volunteer figure refers to September 2005-August 2006 and the 2007 volunteer figure refers to September 2006-August 2007. The numbers reported do not account for possible duplication (the same individual serving through multiple organizations or projects); nevertheless, this estimate is conservative because many organizations did not report their figures for 2007 and, among those did, disaster-focused organizations reported a three-fold increase in the numbers of volunteers they managed. For a list of the organizations reporting volunteer data, please see the reverse side of this document.

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# Organizations Included in 2007 Estimate Of Gulf Coast Volunteering

- Catholic Charities USA
- Christian Reformed World Relief Committee
- Common Ground Relief
- Corporation for National and Community Service
- Episcopal Relief and Development
- Habitat for Humanity
- Hands On Gulf Coast
- International Relief and Development
- Junior League International
- KaBOOM
- Lutheran Disaster Response
- Mennonite Disaster Services
- National Youth Leadership Council
- Nazarene Compassionate Ministries
- Noah's Wish
- Operation NOAH Rebuild (Northern American Mission Board)
- Points of Light Foundation and Volunteer Center National Network
- Presbyterian Disaster Services
- Salvation Army
- Travelers' Aid International
- United Jewish Communities
- United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) Katrina Aid Today
- Volunteers of America South East Region
- Week of Compassion, Disciples of Christ

## VOLUNTEER TODAY!

To find volunteer opportunities in the Gulf Coast, visit [www.volunteer.gov](http://www.volunteer.gov) and conduct a volunteer search using the "Hurricane Relief/Recovery" search category.

