

August 2015: Workplace Emergency Preparedness!

Does Your Workplace Have An Emergency Plan?



Like homes and families, schools, daycare providers, neighborhoods, and apartment buildings should **ALL** have site-specific emergency plans. **Ask your employer**, daycare, family friends, or places you visit frequently if an emergency plan is established. If none exists, volunteer to help develop one with the link below: <http://www.ready.gov/business>

Hurricane Katrina: 10 Years Later.

In August of 2005, New Orleans and the Gulf Coast were struck by the one of the most devastating and costly disaster in U.S. History.



This image was captured inside the New Orleans, Louisiana Superdome during its restoration process, after having been used as a temporary shelter for thousands in the wake of Hurricane Katrina.

Hurricane Katrina made landfall on August 29, 2005, in southeastern Louisiana, with maximum sustained winds of **140 mph**. Hurricane-force winds extended outward up to 105 miles from the center of the storm.

An estimated of **300,000 homes** were destroyed and resulted in approximately **\$96-\$125 billion** worth of damage in the United States.



Astrodome in Houston on September 02, 2005. With the help of volunteers, the facility was able to house 15,000 refugees during Hurricane Katrina.

Photo: <http://www.cnn.com/2013/08/23/us/hurricane-katrina-statistics-fast-facts/>

If you or a friend needs guidance or resources to prepare for unplanned crises, don't hesitate to contact me!

Without the Help of Volunteers of the Medical Reserve Corps, Fire Corps, Community, Emergency Response Team, and other analysts predict the recovery time would have been substantial without these FEMA sponsored groups.