Disaster Response Ministry Opportunities

Administration (General) - Admin volunteers manage volunteer check-in, finances, and daily reporting on laptop computers (provided), and must have organizational and multi-tasking skills to work in a fast-paced environment. Excellent relational skills are also required to interact with survivors as well as other volunteers.

Administration (Recovery) - While onsite, the Recovery Admin volunteer will work under the direct supervision of the Recovery Coordinator. Recovery Admin will be responsible for entering data into the Jobs Management Appsheet. Recovery Admin will work with the Recovery Coordinator, Assessors, Crew Chiefs, and Homeowners. Recovery Admin must be able to multitask in a very busy, often chaotic atmosphere while maintaining both order in paperwork flow and a respectful attitude.

Assessment – (Must be certified in recovery) Visits with homeowner to determine if and how volunteers can help with cleanup and recovery. Team member should be comfortable meeting people in distress, work well with others, usually in pairs, be able to read and complete paperwork, and understand the work of chainsaw, clean-up, and temporary repair teams.

Asset Protection - Our Asset Protection team will be the liaison with local police and fire officials, help with traffic directions and flow, assist with securing our equipment and facilities and other security issues that arise.

Associational Missionary – AMS participants will be made aware of all the DR ministries and equipment. They will also learn how to contact and interact with local government officials as well as communicating with the state Disaster Response office.

Chaplaincy - Chaplaincy volunteers meet the spiritual and emotional needs of disaster survivors. Participants should be able to relate well with people in crisis situations, be a good listener, be able to communicate well verbally, and be able to read and comprehend chaplaincy materials. Compassion is important but also should learn skills to care for the needy.

Crew Chief - Crew chiefs will lead trained and untrained volunteers conducting recovery operations. They must have demonstrated leadership ability and must be currently certified in Recovery.

Drivers – NC Baptists on Mission Disaster Relief owns and operates many large pieces of equipment that need to be transported to trainings and disaster sites throughout the year with large tractors and smaller trucks. We also operate a number of box trucks. Drivers must have current licensure, no disciplinary action, a good driving record, pass a drug screening and other requirements.

Family Care - Team members minister to families including children, adults and senior adults following a disaster by providing comfort care. Volunteers need to have good listening skills and

must be able to follow the leader's direction in identifying and ministering the type of comfort care required. There may be travel to areas within the disaster site.

Feeding - Feeding volunteers will learn best practices for cooking large quantities of food using NC Baptists on Mission Disaster Relief equipment. Must be able to work in hot/cold environments for long periods. Standing, lifting, twisting are basic physical motions that you must be comfortable with.

Forklift - Participants will learn how to operate a forklift properly and as it relates to a Disaster Site. Must have certified in Recovery, Feeding or Logistics.

Logistics - Logistics volunteers manage site logistics and acquire services (water, propane, diesel, trash pickup, office supplies, etc.) for the operation. Volunteers must be resourceful, energetic, and able to manage many demands at one time. The work is typically outdoors and requires long hours and many challenges.

Maintenance - Participants must have experience in maintenance and be able to work long hours in less than ideal conditions. Must be mechanically savvy and resourceful.

Medical - Volunteers have the opportunity to respond to domestic and international medical responses, and especially when disaster sites are set up and operational in NC. Must have a copy of credentials with no disciplinary action. Must be able to work long hours in adverse conditions.

Public Information - Volunteer assists in managing communication between our DR site and the public. They are responsible for disseminating information to the media and other officials that visit our sites

Recovery - (also known as Clean-up): Help homeowners clean-up personal dwellings which may include: gutting home, removing mud and personal belongings, chainsaw work, and temporary roof repair. To participate in Disaster Recovery training, youth must be in the 6th grade or older. A parent must attend the same class at training. Skills needed: be in good physical shape, able to work in adverse conditions including hot and cold weather.

Recovery Trailer - Manages inventory for the NC Baptists on Mission Disaster Recovery tool trailer. Participants must be able to manage the disbursement and collection of tools to volunteer teams. Skills needed: understand tools and their purpose. Training in Recovery is a prerequisite to Recovery Trailer certification.

Safety - Safety volunteers will manage all aspects of safety on a site where DR volunteers are stationed.

Shower/Laundry - Volunteers will learn setup, maintenance, and use of shower/laundry units. Skills needed: be able to clean showers and be able to sort, load, wash, and fold clothes for other people. Must be in good physical shape to work in hot and cold conditions.

Technology Services - For individuals with a background in computer operations, support, network support, and/or a background in Communications. (Ex. Ham, Amateur Radio)