



*Wisconsin VOAD is an association of faith based and not for profit organizations that are active in disaster response and long-term recovery. Its mission is to foster efficient service delivery to people affected by disaster, while eliminating unnecessary duplication of effort. This mission is accomplished through active communication, collaboration and cooperation between its member organizations prior to and following a disaster.*

The Wisconsin Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (WIVOAD) is committed to the following:

1. Establishing contact and maintaining liaison with the member agencies prior to and following a disaster or emergency.
2. Providing leadership to develop coalitions which will strengthen the ability of individual agencies to assist those affected by disaster or emergency.
3. Developing a process to support long term recovery following a disaster.
4. Gathering, coordinating and disseminating information through the WIVOAD network.
5. Providing a linkage for WIVOAD members to coordinate with government agencies through the Emergency Operations Center.
6. Providing to member agencies reports of the impact of the disaster and the needs of the disaster victims.
7. Conducting regular meetings in the effort to promote cooperation and communication among WIVOAD members.
8. The Partner Organization will appoint an Authorized Organization Representative (AOR) to WIVOAD and attend appropriate meetings.
9. The Partner Organization will participate in the planning process, disaster drills that serve to strengthen the cooperative process.
10. The Partner Organization will communicate their needs, services, and resources to WIVOAD.
11. WIVOAD will not be responsible for liability and background checks of member organizations representatives.

**Signatures below signify acceptance of the Statement of Cooperation by the agency and an agreement to abide by the by-laws of the Wisconsin VOAD.**

Partner Agency (please print)

Authorized Representative Name (Please Print)

Authorized Partner Signature

Date

WIVOAD Representative

Date