



A United Way of Brazoria County Community Partner

minutes

Brazoria County Long-Term Recovery (BCL-TRC) Monthly Meeting

April 5, 2018, 4 - 5P

Meeting called by: Gloria Luna, BCL-TRC Chairperson

In attendance: Achalesh Amar, Kristina Booth, Ardrienne Bradberry, Susan Cooman, Pops Foley, Davis Gilbert, Felicita Gomez, Chance Graham, Race Hodges, Savann Kruoch, Jenna Masters, Jacqueline McMahan, Brooke Mills, Andrea Raiff, Paul Rueda, Stacy Stringer, Marcella Thompson, Alina Tonu, Sharon Trower, Terri Willis, Saloeurn Yin, Bill Ray, Glenn LaMont, Lisa Taylor, Ezreal Garcia, Lonnie Rathbun, Steve Rosa, Barry Henry, Terri Nong, Rasmi Singh, Julie Ramirez, Dodie Armstrong, Debbie Allensworth, Chance Graham

Next meeting scheduled for: May 3, 2018, 4 - 5P

4 - 4:05P	Welcome & Sign-in	UWBC Conference Room
4:05 – 4:10P	<p>Review March Meeting</p> <p>Joe addressed the BCL-TRC on opportunities residents may have to qualify for additional types of support from FEMA, reported on the placement of housing units in the county to-date, and spoke on potential state funding for elevation grants. In lieu of official meeting minutes, please refer to the informational packet Joe provided to the BCL-TRC last month. You will find a copy enclosed in this agenda packet.</p>	<p>March 1, 2018 4 – 5P</p> <p>Featuring: Joe Ripple Brazoria County Floodplain Director</p>

4:10P

BCL-TRC Sub-Committee Reports

4:10 – 4:15P

Executive Committee Report

Chair: Gloria Luna

Co-Chairs: Glenn LaMont

Dodie Armstrong

FEMA Angleton DRC officially closed
Thursday, March 29.

BCL-TRC case management is looking to
hire 2 more case managers to assist
residents.

The hiring of a St. Bernard Project (SBP)
Operations Manager is imminent.
Construction Committee will report on
the status of hiring a Construction
Manager. **Hired as of 4/5/2018.**

Please see the enclosed BCL-TRC
Recovery Fund & Activities for updated
reportables. Andrea Raiff will walk
through it aloud.

4:15P

Donations Committee Report

Chair: Linda Walker

Committee is currently dormant.

No new updates to report.

4:15 – 4:20P

Communications Committee Report

Chair: Sharon Trower

Committee is currently dormant, but
plans are in place to activate in April.

**94 email recipients on the BCL-TRC
distribution list.**

Brazoria County's Information
Technologies Dept. has offered to begin
the construction of a stand-alone website
for BCL-TRC and a refresh of the BCL-TRC
logo to be more easily identifiable as a
local LTRG.

A rough drafting of each will be produced
and then disseminated to members of
the Communications Committee for

review prior to an in-person meeting in late April/early May.

4:20 – 4:25P

Case Management Committee Report Chair: Brenda George

119 CAN entries for households identified as Primary Residents.

202 total CAN entries including Primary Resident, Parent, Child, Spouse, Other, Adult, Grandchild, Siblings, etc.

BCL-TRC Data Entry Specialist, Kelli Stinson, is working steadily - entering information into CAN, identifying existing cases by working with BCL-TRC case managers, and/or entering new cases into the Network.

1,318 Households have been assisted or in the process of being assisted by BCL-TRC case management.

There are an additional 330 World Renew case files remaining.

There is a case management meeting with UMCOR, Homeland Preparedness Project, Salvation Army, Mosaic in Action Storm Recovery Center (MIA), BCL-TRC case management, the Multicultural Alliance, and SEWA International scheduled for **Friday, April 13th**.

At this meeting, attendees will be reviewing the Unmet Needs Packet, Required Forms, Partners/Resources, and In-house case management best practices and lessons learned following Harvey. To receive further details about this meeting or to express your interest in attending, please contact Gloria Luna, gluna@uwbc.org.

4:25 – 4:30P

Unmet Committee Report

Chair: Kristina Booth

Reportables from January 1 – Present

31 Cases presented to the Unmet Needs Committee

- 24 Cases Approved
- 0 Cases Denied
- 7 Cases Tabled

\$223,024.84 requested in assistance.

\$111,645.71 approved by the Unmet Needs Committee.

To date, 164 families have been assisted with Furniture Vouchers through Crawford's Furniture.

4:30 – 4:35P

Construction Committee Report

Chair: Lonnie Rathbun

The BCL-TRC Committee is still working with SBP to hire a Construction Manager to assist those affected by Harvey.

There has been an issue with identifying a suitable individual who is willing to take a 12-month contract with the pay and benefits that the BCL-TRC's Recovery Fund is able to provide.

Construction Managers make an average of \$130,000/year and are currently in high-demand due to the construction needs resulting from Harvey.

4:35 – 4:40P

Volunteer Committee Report

Co-Chairs:
Ardrienne Bradberry
Debbie Allensworth

Due to a highly-competitive cycle, Brazoria County was not approved for a new AmeriCorps team for Round 3 (April 7-July 7, 2018).

The BCL-TRC has been encouraged to reapply for summer (July 21-October 13, 2018).

Debbie will report on MIA's AmeriCorps collaborations and the incoming team of students coming in June 2018.

July – REACH Work Camps, northern end volunteer group. Needing ~20 homes so currently vetting 20-30 for possible projects. Will utilize toolbank as needed.

Debbie/Ardrienne will report on meeting with Thirst Missions on Friday, January 19, 2018.

4:40 – 4:45P

FEMA Reportables (Harvey Texas)

As of 4/5/2018:

FEMA registrants - 859,503

Individual Assistance - \$1,599,000,000

Max. Awards - 4981

TSA (Hotel Assist.) - 4443 still in hotels

SBA Loans - \$3,380,301,500

9 Disaster Recovery Centers still open

4:45 – 4:50P

Rebuild Texas Recovery Fund

On 3/26/2018, the BCL-TRC submitted success story content to the One Star Foundation to use for future publications.

Please see the enclosed article that was submitted for consideration.

4:50 – 4:55P

Rayzur's 9th Annual Best Batch Crawfish Cook-Off

Brazoria County Fairgrounds
May 4 - 5, 2018

Rayzur's is benefiting the BCL-TRC this year by dedicating the proceeds from the event to the Brazoria County Hurricane Harvey Recovery Fund. As the beneficiary of the event, members of the BCL-TRC are invited to participate at the event as either a spectator, volunteer, or judge.

Tickets to attend the event as a spectator will be on sale in the near future and available at the gate.

To register as a Rayzur's *Crawl*unteer, please sign-up at:
<http://bit.ly/Crawlunteer>

To register as a Rayzur's Prelims Judge, please sign-up at:
<http://bit.ly/RayzursJudge>

To inquire about becoming a Rayzur's Finals Judge, please contact Eric Moore at eric@rayzurscookoff.com. This contact is also the most appropriate for any specific questions about judging requirements and process.

4:55 – 5:00P

Additional Items for Discussion

- Mosaic in Action (MIA) lost warehouse space and needs new space to house reconstruction supplies.
- Texans Recovering Together can provide group self-help, individual and group therapy.
- Water sampling provided by Homeland Preparedness Project – get the word out. Received grants 2 weeks ago and will be working through the end of June. Currently working in Brookside and Holiday Lakes. Homeowner must be at home and private wells only. Sampling takes 10 min, results take 1 week.
- Veterans Resource Fair at Galveston County Fairgrounds on June 2nd. **GC Veterans Stand Up**, Team Rubicon is title sponsor.
- Serve to Serve, specializing in mobile home reconstruction. Has partnered with the LA Cajun Navy and Cajun Army. Looking to assist mobile home residents as advocates and through coordinating repair work. Looking for a church partner in Brazoria County. No affiliation with Samaritan's Purse.
- SEWA International, 700-800 volunteers in the Village, 11 houses being rebuilt simultaneously.

Upcoming dates:

Friday, April 6th – CHARM Workshop in Lake Jackson

Friday, April 13th – Case Management Interorganizational Meeting at UWBC Office

Thursday, May 3rd – Next monthly BCL-TRC meeting

Friday, May 4th – Saturday, May 5th – Rayzur's 9th Annual Best Batch Crawfish Cook-Off