Disaster Ready Church Workshop

Facilitated by ADRA



Content

- The Disaster Management Cycle
 Reflections on resilience building through preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation.
- The Code of Conduct for the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) in Disaster Relief
 Reflections on how the principles of humanitarian work link to biblical principles and influence how we act as volunteers in the context of our community.
- Emergency Response Team Structure
 How to organise our team for an effective disaster response activity based on the Australasian Interservice Incident Management System.
- Introductory needs analysis
 Reflecting on the history of disasters in our area and the demographics of our community to identify vulnerabilities.
- Introductory capacity mapping
 Listing current assets, equipment, personnel, and local connections including (importantly) with local government.
- Introductory Emergency Management Planning
 Brainstorming disaster response activities that align our capacity with needs in our community.
 Forming draft response plans for activities based on consensus.

Delivery method

Our workshops are facilitated in person through guided discussions. Short presentations and activities are interspersed with small group discussions. Facilitators are members of ADRA's Emergency Management Team or are trained by them. Real life experiences from disaster responses as well as learnings from recent research, are shared as appropriate to support local disaster preparedness planning.

Learning materials

Materials used in the workshop are intentionally low-tech to maximise interaction between participants. Poster paper, post-it notes, simple handouts and markers are used to generate and visualise key ideas.

After the workshop each participant will be provided with the following by email:

- A 'toolbox' document (Disaster Ready Church Manual)
- Church Emergency Management Plan Template document
- Photos of posters created at the workshop

Ongoing support

Ongoing phone/email support is available for participating church groups as they continue documenting a local disaster preparedness plan.

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