

**City of Redlands  
Disaster Council  
Minutes**

Monday, January 22, 2018  
City Council Chambers  
35 Cajon Street Suite #2  
Redlands, CA 92373

Meeting called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Mayor Paul Foster

Pledge of allegiance

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No Public Comments

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

Fay Glass welcomed everyone to the Disaster Council Meeting and provided an overview of Disaster Council.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion to approve the minutes of October 23, 2017 meeting: Minutes Approved

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**The Disaster Council received a presentation by Vance Taylor, Chief, Office of Access and Functional Needs, Governor's Office of Emergency Services.**

Vance stated that due to the amount of people with access and functional needs, (seventy five percent) that were affected during Katrina, the Governor saw the need for this office. The office is pushing for everyone to implement AFN in every process that takes place. Everyone should take responsibility to work towards accomplishing this future goal.

2017 was a year to remember with all of the rains, Floods, Mudslides, and Fires. The floods also caused thousands of Californians agriculture damage. With all of the rains that came, Orville Dam, the tallest dam, became an emergency. Orville caused 180,000 evacuations, (greatest number for not being a Hurricane), and 42 shelters were open for that emergency. The

fires brought out 11,000 firefighters, 500 law enforcements, 40 shelters opened, 40,000 meals, and 60,000 liters of water, 2,000 ADA cots, and 12,000 blankets. 245,000 acres and 9000 structures were burned. The Thomas fire alone burned 283,000 acres, 12,000 structures with 8,500 firefighters responded to the fire.

There were several lessons learned during these emergencies.

1. The establishing of relationship with Local Independent Living Centers. There are 28 ILC's in California. They have the capacity to push out critical disaster related information. And many provide durable medical equipment and assistive technology.
2. Reassessing the accessibility of sheltering facts. The National Shelter System (NSS) is out of date and shelter information is not accurate. The accessibility assessments are incomplete or out of date. Due to this information, officials selected inadequate shelters.
3. Integrating American Sign Language interpreters. Make sure that interpreters are at the press conferences. Without ASL interpreters, the deaf community will not receive, process, nor act on life saving information. During the emergencies in the state, the deaf community was forced to rely on family and friends to get to safety.

It is our responsibility to be there at the right time and place.

**Updates from Carrie Cruz, San Bernardino County FD/Office of Emergency Services, provided a brief updates on San Bernardino County.**

Carrie at this time informed us that there were four new staff that had been added to the agency. She also stated that the county is updating the Emergency Operation Plan for the county. Other than information there was nothing else to speak about until some projects changed to the rightful people

**Updates from Ashley Congjuico, San Bernardino County Public Health, provided a brief updates on San Bernardino County.**

This year's flu virus is called the H3N2. The County's health officer urges everyone to get the flu shot as soon as they are able to go get one. Due to the fact that there are various locations for the Point of Dispensing units in the county, they could not facilitate a POD training in the city of Redlands this year. But if there is a need to open it up, and there are not enough resources in the trailer, she has more resources to help with the dispensing of any medication.

**Updates from Fay Glass, City of Redlands, City Manager's Office, Emergency Management Division**

Fay informed members to review the updated Emergency Managements newsletter within their packets, she also informed the members of the new registration system seamless docs. We are in the process of updating our sign in roster.

**MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Richard Cornielle won the safety bag.

**POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING**

Please email Fay Glass if you have any agenda items that you would like addressed at the next meet.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

Next Disaster Council meeting is Monday, April 23, 2018. 4:00pm-5:00pm