

Mission:

To assist the people of the Ohio Valley to recover from and restore their lives after any disaster in a timely manner.

Partners:

Adventist Community Services
All Saints Lutheran Church
American Red Cross
Brown County Department of Economic Development
Brown County EMA
Catholic Charities of South Western Ohio
Church of Scientology
Citizen Advocates
Clermont County Board of Developmental Disabilities
Clermont County Department of Community & Economic Development
Clermont County EMA
Clermont County Mental Health and Recovery Board
Clermont County Office of Public Information
Clermont County Permit Central/ Building Inspection
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Jackson Area Ministries
Lutheran Disaster Response
Matthew 25 Ministries
Ohio EMA
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Ohio Senator Tom Niehaus
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Presbyterian Churches
Representative Jean Schmidt's Office
River Valley Ecumenical Churches
Saint Vincent de Paul
Tri-State COAD
Tri-State Habitat for Humanity
Two Men and a Truck
United Church of Christ
United Methodist Churches
United Way of Greater Cincinnati
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development
U.S. Senator Rob Portman's Office
U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown's Office
Village of Moscow

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Ohio Valley LTRC

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What is a Long Term Recovery Committee?

The LTRC is a cooperative body that is made up of representatives from faith-based, non-profit, government, business, and other organizations working within a community to assist individuals and families as they recover from a disaster. The goal of the LTRC is to unite recovery resources with the community need in order to ensure that even the most vulnerable in the community recover from the disaster.

The LTRC focuses on four mission areas: Disaster Case Management, Donations Management, Volunteer Management, and Spiritual and Emotional Support.

Disaster Case Management is a time-limited process by which a skilled helper (Disaster Case Manager) partners with a disaster affected individual or family (Client) to plan



Village of Moscow following the March 2, 2012 Tornado.

for and achieve realistic goals for recovery following a disaster.

Donations management provides a comprehensive process that organizes the giving, receiving and distribution of both solicited and unsolicited donated goods so that the maximum benefit is derived for the disaster survivors.

Volunteer Management is a key

component of disaster recovery. Since volunteers come with variety of skill sets, it is important to place volunteers in roles that fit their ability. Those skills and abilities may include but are not limited to: debris removal, cleaning out homes, repairing and rebuilding homes, case management, program leadership, office skills, as well as professional services such as legal advice, accounting and computer expertise.

Spiritual and Emotional Support are critical in times of disaster because people lose their sense of safety and security. Moments like these require spiritual and emotional care teams to provide comfort, hope and help. Disaster victims are often vulnerable and hurting and simply need a listening ear to bring relief to stresses brought on by loss.

For additional information on the Ohio Valley LTRC efforts, go to www.ema.clermontcountyohio.gov.

Are You Ready? Before and After the Disaster

Are you better prepared today than you were on March 2, 2012?

If the answer is no, come join us:

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

River Valley Community Center

30 Wells Street

Moscow, Ohio 45153

Topics include:

- **GETTING THE MOST BANG FOR THE BUCK**
- **PURCHASING INSURANCE AND NEGOTIATING WITH ADJUSTERS**
- **CHOOSING A CONTRACTOR**
- **DISASTER PREPAREDNESS FOR THE FUTURE**

This event is sponsored by the Ohio Valley Long Term Recovery Committee.

All are welcome! Refreshments and door prizes will be provided.

A Partner's Message...



Catholic Charities of South Western Ohio and the St. Martin District Council of St. Vincent DePaul are proud to be a part of the restoration. We hope to ease the burdens of our neighbors in need by helping them to rebuild

their homes, their lives, and their spirits.

Both agencies are committed to ensuring that the people in Moscow and surrounding areas are reestablished to the position they were in before the tornado.

These organizations have a long history of assisting families in need. They have helped individuals and families rebuild their lives by providing rent and

utility assistance, trailer moving and payments, a furnace, and new appliances to those families with needs identified by the LTRC Case Manager.



“They’ve been tremendous to us...things are working their way out... thanks so much for your thoughtfulness ...”



Volunteer Accomplishments

In the Village of Moscow, we have had many volunteer groups working to rebuild Moscow. These groups have:

- Cleaned park and public areas of tree and storm debris;
- Replaced damaged shingles on the Park Picnic Shelter;

- Placed mulch on the plant beds throughout the park;

- Fed, watered, and edged the tree nursery;
- Constructed and painted the “Replant Moscow” Sign;
- Created park benches from fallen timbers;
- Removed damaged sidewalks and created frames for new

sidewalks;

- Guttered homes to prepare for rebuilding;
- Reclaimed historical bricks from demolished homes; and
- Picked up trash and debris from farmland.

The volunteer efforts have been invaluable to the restoration of the Village of Moscow.

Replant Moscow: Volunteers Needed

Moscow, once known for its tree line streets and shady parks, has lost its shade, noise barriers from the highway and railroad and the peacefulness created by the hundreds of green trees.

Join us on September 14 and 15, 2012 to help us plant, water and mulch trees in the Village of

Moscow. There is heavy, medium and light work to be done; whatever your pace.

Fun, laughter and lunch are promised for all who want to join us on September 14 and 15.

Meet at the Community Center at 9:00 AM. Work shoes, hat

and gloves are a must. There is a prize for the most outlandish work hat!

To register, call Susan at 513-553-4200.



Six Month Progress Report

The tremendous outpouring from citizens, the private sector, non-profit agencies, and the faith-based community has brought great healing. The volunteer hours, financial contributions, and donated goods have helped to rebuild lives, homes and families.

Rebuilding lives: Many of the survivors that were displaced by the March 2, 2012 tornado have either resettled into a different home or are about to move back to their homes that have been rebuilt.

Rebuilding homes: The LTRC has partnered with Mr. Mattress, Furniture Fair, The Batavia Rotary, St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic



Two Men and a Truck offloading donated goods at the Disaster Donation Center.

Charities of South Western Ohio, and other faith-based organizations in our community to provide vouchers for families that were under or uninsured to replace mattresses, refrigerators, stoves, dish washers, and washers and dryers.

Household items such as linens, towels, cookware, cleaning supplies, baby needs, and water were provided by donations from the public and coordinated by the Donation Management Team that operated from the Red Barn Disaster Donation Center.

Rebuilding Families: The LTRC has assisted more than 56 individuals and families that have been impacted by the March 2 tornado, the Brown County flash flood, and the June 29 Wind-storm. Of the 56 cases, 40 cases have been closed. The LTRC will continue to operate until all of the cases are closed.



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Thank You