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WHO	Members of Southern Baptist churches.	Members of all churches and all non-church members.	<p>Credentialed Volunteers: Members of Southern Baptist churches.</p> <p>Non-credentialed Volunteers: Volunteers (saved or unsaved) who have a relationship with an existing TBDR team.</p> <p>Crew chiefs are encouraged to use as many spontaneous volunteers and local church volunteers in the disaster area as the team is equipped to handle.</p>
WHEN	<p>NATIONAL-MULTI STATE RESPONSE: When emergency management and/or American Red Cross mobilizes -OR- DR teams are requested by affected state DR leader.</p> <p>IN-STATE: Smaller disasters at the discretion of state DR leader and/or associational leadership.</p>	Engaged when SR leadership determines the event is one that meets appropriate criteria.	<p>TBDR responds whenever and wherever need arises.</p> <p>Units are encouraged to respond to local needs in their associations and communities. They are encouraged to call the state director if assistance is needed.</p> <p>Teams are encouraged to do local projects which can involve others from outside the DR family.</p>
WHY	To mobilize specialized trained SBC volunteers to meet needs: feeding, shower units, mud-out, ash-out, chaplains, recovery, etc.	To provide a path for untrained volunteers to immediately respond and meet basic physical and emotional needs for those impacted.	<p>FEMA considers trained volunteers as their first-line resource. They encourage TBDR to enable spontaneous volunteers to work alongside trained volunteers.</p> <p>TBDR focuses on trained volunteers while opening paths for non-credentialed volunteers to serve in order to build relationships and share Christ.</p>
TIME EXPECTATION	Typical deployments are based on volunteers serving a week to 10 days at a time.	Volunteers serve anywhere from a few hours to multiple weeks.	There is no typical deployment time. Volunteers work according to their schedule, from a few hours to multiple weeks.
TRAINING	Volunteers follow state credentialing requirements and deployment parameters.	Volunteers agree to a minimum safety orientation and agreement to fit into the response strategy.	TBDR maintains standards of training for credentialed volunteers. Non-credentialed volunteers complete a brief form, sign liability waivers, agree to abide by certain standards, and participate in safety training on site.
STRUCTURE	Deployed as trained teams and typically work with volunteers from home state.	Deployed as event based and structured in teams led by trained volunteer leadership.	TBDR volunteers work with teams around the state. Volunteers also work with teams from other states as needs arise. Volunteers serve under a designated team leader (blue cap).
EVANGELISM MODEL	Chaplains are trained to do emotional care.	Christian volunteers are encouraged to use Three Circles throughout the response. Opportunity for non Christian volunteers to be witnessed to by Christian volunteers.	All TBDR credentialed volunteers are encouraged to share Christ. This is expanded by the ability to work with non-credentialed volunteers. Ministry is the priority for TBDR volunteers. It is part of their DR training and they are encouraged to take advantage of opportunities for training offered by their churches, associations, and state.