



#### **American Red Cross Statistics**

- Current structure is built upon over **600** local chapters with over **2000** points of service delivery.
- Over **50,000** trained disaster volunteers
- Volunteers constitute **96%** of our Total Work Force.
- We respond to more than **70,000 disasters annually**, including about **200 home fires every day**.



## Irene, Lee, Wildfires...

#### Irene was a "near miss?"

- Sheltered 27k people on a single night
- Deployed more than 4000 workers

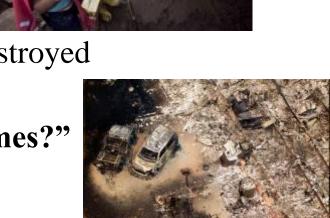
#### Lee was "just a tropical storm?"

- 12 inches of rain
- Lots of inland flooding
- Thousands of homes and businesses destroyed

#### Texas wildfires "aren't affecting many homes?"

■ 2000+ homes destroyed







#### A Few Lessons of Last Ten Years

- If it's catastrophic, change your model
- Citizens are your first responders listen to them!

• Centralized Readiness....Localized Capability

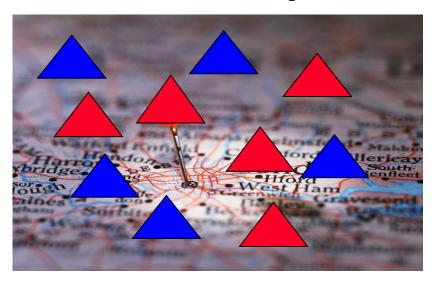


#### **Evolving Business Model**

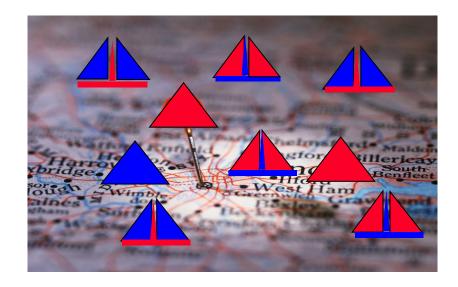
To move from ad hoc collaboration at best ...

... to a system and engagement strategy for consistent collaboration

**Pre-Katrina Shelters Operations** 

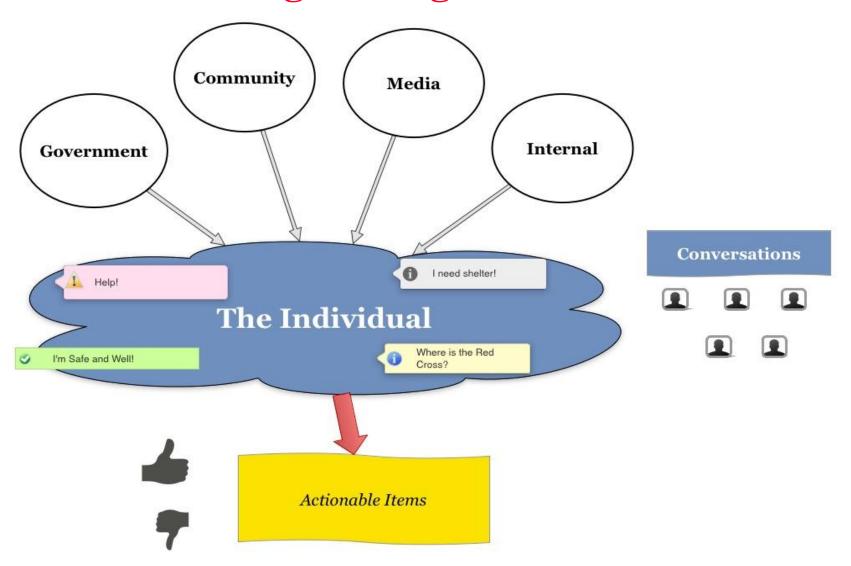


**Current Shelters Operations** 



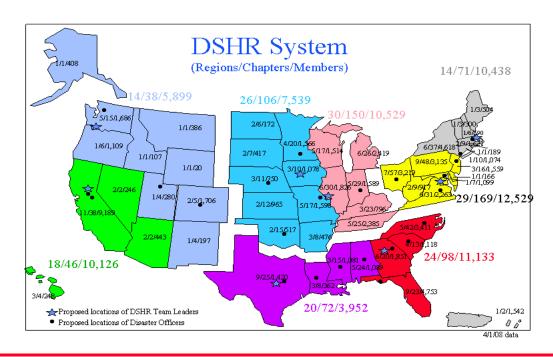


# **Connecting Through Social Media**



# Centralized Readiness...Localized Capability

- Locally focused
- ARC Chapter: Cornerstone of service delivery
- Regional Chapter: Supports local responses
- NHQ: Supports local responses in larger disasters
  - Disaster Relief Operation





# Capability to establish relief operations equivalent to a large corporation...in 48 hrs

- Internal and external voice and data communications;
- The facility we use may be an empty building a schoolhouse, or a former retail store;
- Thousands of people with very specialized skills the vast majority of them volunteers;
- We transport them, house them, and feed them;
- We see to their physical and emotional well-being...and in three weeks, we rotate that staff.



## Partner Based Response Structure















































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