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The Disaster Files: SF CARD's In Response Newsletter

San Francisco Congregational Disaster Preparedness Conference

In an effort to better prepare San Francisco's congregations for disasters, a coalition of city agencies, non-government agencies, and philanthropic organizations have partnered to bring the largest preparedness conference of its kind to the leadership of the faith-based community.

The conference will address a number of issues important to the faith-based community including: points for developing a disaster plan, recovery and service continuity planning, staff and congregation disaster preparation, and additional community support mechanisms.

The conference is sponsored by:

American Red Cross Bay Area Chapter
Jewish Community Relations Council
San Francisco Foundation Faith's Initiative
San Francisco CARD—Community Agencies Responding to Disaster
San Francisco Interfaith Council
San Francisco Office of Emergency Services and Homeland Security
Walter & Elise Haas Fund

Additional presenters include:

Pacific Gas & Electric
San Francisco Fire Department NERT—Neighborhood Emergency Response Team

The conference is free of charge, and will be held at Saint Mary's Cathedral at 1111 Gough Street on May 17, 2006 from 8:15am – Noon. In addition, conference attendees will have the opportunity for free follow-up workshops to be scheduled after the conference.

For more information or to RSVP please contact SF CARD at: phone, 415-955-8946; fax, 415-982-0890; e-mail, info@sfcard.org

San Francisco CARD has moved!

SF CARD moves its offices and combines resources with The Volunteer Center Serving San Francisco and San Mateo Counties.

It was bound to happen; as an agency formed to seek out synergies for other agencies, SF CARD and The Volunteer Center are a natural fit. SF CARD has already benefited from The Volunteer Center's association as a sitting SF CARD steering committee member agency. Working out of the same offices, SF CARD and The Volunteer Center have already found ways to synergize their individual efforts to work collectively.

SF CARD has used the facility to direct the San Francisco faith congregations conference coming May 17. SF CARD is also using the facility to host the first meeting of a new working group tackling the tough issues related to the needs of active drug users in disasters; this meeting is on April 12. Finally, SF CARD will be taking the mission of The Volunteer Center to the agencies SF CARD serves so that these agencies may have a better understanding of how they may utilize The Volunteer Center's vast resources.

The new contact information for SF CARD is:
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SF CARD and The Volunteer Center to participate in the 1906 Earthquake Expo

April will be a month of ceremonies and events throughout San Francisco commemorating the 1906 earthquake and fire that devastated the city. SF CARD and The Volunteer Center will have a table at the Expo to distribute materials on emergency preparedness and volunteerism. If you would like to participate, please call. Otherwise, we will see you at the expo!

100 Years—1906 Great Earthquake and Fire Expo 2006

Saturday, Sunday & Monday, April 15, 16, 17—2006

Pier 48—San Francisco

Presented by the San Francisco Fire Department Historical Society