



# Hernando County Community Organizations Active in Disaster **COAD Meeting #96**

Monday, November 17, 2025 @ 9:30AM via Zoom

## AGENDA

*Mission: A strong community is vital. The Hernando COAD is committed to helping health & human services increase engagement with other community partners and foster successful outcomes and updates.*

- **WELCOME & PURPOSE** – United Way of Hernando, Angie Bonfardino
  - Success Highlights & Partner Shout-Outs
  - [Resiliency Lab "Crisis Care Workshop"](#): Thursday, November 20, 2025 from 9am-11am @ DOH
- **COUNTY UPDATES**
  - **Emergency Management** Director, Erin Thomas – Cold Weather Stations
  - [Long-Term Recovery Group](#) – Meeting #11 via ZOOM 11/20 @ 2pm
  - **Department of Health** – Updates & [Pre-Registration](#) for [Special Needs Sheltering](#)
  - **211 Hernando** – October Call Trend Report | [Search Page](#) + [Agency Update Campaign](#)
- **RESOURCES & UPDATES**
  - **Supplies** – [Hurricane Supply Drive](#); [food drive](#); toiletry drives; [Mustard Seed](#)
  - **Food & Distribution** – Partner Updates ([SNAP](#); [CFB Empowerment Center Update](#))
  - **Shelters & Housing** – Partner Updates ([Week of Hunger & Homelessness Events 11/18 & 11/21](#); PIT updates)
  - **Emergency Assistance** – Partner Updates & Trends
  - **Mental Health & Substance Abuse** – Partner Updates
  - **Childcare & Schools** – Partner Updates
  - **Employment** – Partner Updates
  - **Volunteerism** – Partner Needs (Pre-Register as [Disaster Relief Volunteers](#))
- **MEMBER INPUT, UNMET NEEDS & OPPORTUNITIES**
- **COMING UP**
  - Long-Term Recovery Group Meeting #11**: Thursday, November 20, 2025 2pm via Zoom
  - COAD Meeting #97**: Monday, January 26, 2026 @ 9:30am via Zoom **(No Meeting in December)**
  - Member Spotlight available, 10 minutes to share\* Contact [Angie](#)
  - 100<sup>th</sup> COAD Meeting!** SAVE THE DATE for April 27, 2026 @ EOC
- **ADJOURN**



MITIGATION & PREPAREDNESS – RESPONSE – RECOVERY

[www.UnitedWayHernando.org/COAD](http://www.UnitedWayHernando.org/COAD) - [Emergency Management](#) - [LTRG](#) - [HC Department of Health](#) - [211 Hernando](#) - 988



**\*LONG-TERM RECOVERY GROUP – [www.UnitedWayHernando.org/LTRG](http://www.UnitedWayHernando.org/LTRG)**

**RESILIENCY LAB:  
CRISIS CARE WORKSHOP**

Thursday,  
November 20, 2025 9am to 11am

Hernando County Department of Health  
7551 Forest Oaks Blvd, Spring Hill, FL 34606

Kick off this holiday season and re-center yourself as a leader.  
Join United Way & Capacity Path Relief for an Interactive Resiliency Lab!

**TIPS, TECHNIQUES, & ACTIVITIES ON:**

- How to destress your body & mind
- How to tap into your natural resilience & inherent strengths
- How to feel uplifted & empowered across all domains

**5 DAYS OF CARING**

Visit [UnitedWayHernando.org/Crisis-Care2025](http://UnitedWayHernando.org/Crisis-Care2025)  
Reserve your spot for FREE! Breakfast is included, thanks to our generous Crisis Prevention Partners at HCA.

Capacity Path Relief  
HCA Florida

**TAKE ACTION WITH UNITED WAY**

Want to Get Involved?  
Join active conversations & opportunities around Disaster Preparedness, Relief, Response, & Recovery for Hernando

**GIVE**  
Participate in the Hurricane Supply Drive

- Organize a collection & donate needed items such as cleaning supplies, flashlights, batteries, gloves, bleach, etc.
- Items are distributed directly to those impacted by a disaster in Hernando.

**ADVOCATE**  
Know Someone in Need?

- Connect them to Hernando's Long-Term Recovery Disaster Case Management Team. Call/Text 352-340-2571

**Become a Digital Ambassador**

- Follow United Way HC on Instagram & Facebook, and sign-up for UNITEDnews for valuable updates
- Share content & advocate for available program services, opportunities, & announcements

**Easily Donate to the Disaster Relief Fund**

- Visit [UnitedWayHernando.org/DRF](http://UnitedWayHernando.org/DRF)

**Volunteer**  
Disaster Relief Volunteers Needed

- Sign up in advance to become a Disaster Relief Volunteer - helping with distribution, coordination, & assistance when needed!
- [UnitedWayHernando.org/Volunteer](http://UnitedWayHernando.org/Volunteer)

**Long-Term Recovery Group**

- Be a part of the solution! Lend your time & talent focused on DCM, Construction, Mental Health, Outreach & more!
- [UnitedWayHernando.org/LTRG](http://UnitedWayHernando.org/LTRG)

#HernandoPrepares #HernandoRecovers

**HERNANDO COUNTY LONG-TERM RECOVERY GROUP**

**MISSION:**  
"To provide coordinated, comprehensive recovery services to individuals and families impacted by disasters in Hernando County, addressing unmet needs and facilitating a resilient community by leveraging public, private, and non-profit collaborative partnerships and accessible resources."

**VISION:**  
"To create a resilient community where every individual affected by a disaster has access to comprehensive support, enabling them to rebuild their lives and thrive in a fully recovered environment, regardless of their circumstances."

**GOALS:**

- Bring together organizations on the ground
- Develop recovery plans for individuals and households
- Cooperate to meet unmet needs
- Leverage a comprehensive disaster case management system
- Verify & distribute resources
- Promote physical, social, economic, and emotional wellness

**Want to Get Involved?**  
Join the Conversation Today!

As our community moves into the long-term recovery phase, collaboration and strategic planning are vital to rebuilding a stronger and more resilient community. By joining the Hernando County Long-Term Recovery Group, you'll contribute to efforts that go beyond short-term relief, ensuring sustained recovery for those in need.

**LTRG SUB-COMMITTEES**

- Case Management
- Advocacy & Outreach
- Volunteer Coordination
- Emotional & Spiritual HealthCare
- Unmet Needs
- Construction
- Finance & Donations

**Need Help?**  
Call a Disaster Case Manager Today!

Disaster Case Management is a FREE service where a skilled helper works with individuals or families affected by a disaster to create and achieve recovery goals. Let the Disaster Case Managers ease the burden of recovery by guiding you through the complex recovery process. They will simplify the journey by creating clear, realistic plans and connecting clients to the resources they need to rebuild their lives. **Call us today! 352.340.2571.**

[LTRG@UnitedWayHernando.org](mailto:LTRG@UnitedWayHernando.org)  
[UnitedWayHernando.org/LTRG](http://UnitedWayHernando.org/LTRG)

The Hernando County Long-Term Recovery Group is a cooperative body that is made up of representatives from faith-based, nonprofit, government, business and other organizations working within our community to assist individuals and families as they recover from disaster. Contact our Hernando team to be a part of the conversation & local solutions. #HernandoRecovers

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