



**MINUTES**  
**SOUTHWEST LOUISIANA MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION**  
**MEETING NUMBER 839<sup>th</sup>**  
**TIME: 11:00AM**



**DATE:** February 8, 2023

**LOCATION:** Garber Hall – 430 Dr. Michael Debakey Drive, Lake Charles, LA 70601

☞ Garber Hall is located/facing across the street from the ER entrance of Christus Ochsner St. Patrick Hospital



**ORDERED BY:** Tammy Ryan, President –

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Tammy Ryan, President –

**INVOCATION BY:** Mason Lindsay –

**INTRODUCTION OF GUEST:** Tammy Ryan, President –

**HOST ENTITY:** Tammy Ryan, President –

*Christus Ochsner Lake Area Hospital:*

☞ Power Point Presentation will be presented by, **Mr. David Boudreaux**, Administrator, of Lake Area Hospital

**NEW APPLICANT PRESENTATIONS:** Tammy Ryan, President – *N/A*

**MUTUAL AID INCIDENTS:** Tammy Ryan, President –

*Calcasieu Parish E-911:*

- Mutual Aid Calls for Month of January 2023 - (40)

## **APPOINTED COMMITTEES:**

**BUDGET/FINANCE:** Bill Wilkie, Chairman –

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

- ☞ Account Balance Ending as of January 31, 2023 – **\$90,872.66**

**BY LAWS:** Richard McGuire, Chairman – *N/A*

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Richard McGuire, Chairman –

- ***Discussed - Radio Tower & MSU Project:***

- ☞ Tabled, pending approval of the 2023 Budget Report by the SWLAMA Steering Committee and the Executive Board members

**DRILL:** Mike Estes, LOTTE Chemical, Chairman –

- ***Discussed – SWLAMA Staging Area App:***

- ☞ Will be reaching out to all the different Industries/Municipalities to gather pertinent information
- ☞ Preparing upcoming presentation to present the **SWLAMA Staging Area App.**, to educate Industries/Municipalities

**EMS 8 HEALTHCARE:** Mark Conner, Acadian Ambulance, Chairman –

***Louisiana Region R5 ESF-8 Health & Medical Coalition Meeting, met on Monday, January 23, 2023, to discuss -***

- ***Discussed – ATT Outage:***

- ☞ The ATT Outage Hotwash/Debrief was distributed to the attendees. Jason Lionberger described the timeline of the event. He also explained the different communication assets that were being deployed and how the outage affected the 700 MHZ radios.
- ☞ Possible alternative communication devices were discussed including the use of VHF and/or UHF walkie-talkies. Paul DeStout explained Calcasieu Parish was in the process of creating another redundancy that would prevent such an outage. Jason Lionberger explained the following:
- ☞ It is an 800mhz radio system that will backup LWIN. This system will work on microwave tower sites within Calcasieu Parish. This will be utilized when the 700mhz state LWIN system goes down. This project will be completed within the next 1-2 years.

- ***Discussed – Radio Training:***

- ☞ Mike Parent, OPH reviewed the use of the 700 MHZ radios
  - Liz Harmon reminded everyone to identify themselves when using the radios.

- ***Discussed – Triage Tags:***

- ☞ Bill Vincent, Acadian Ambulance/EMS DRC reviewed START triage and how it is used in the field
- ☞ Scott Kyle, LCMH/Hosp DRC reviewed SALT triage which is now what the Center for Domestic Preparedness is recommending
  - Start Triage



- Salt Triage

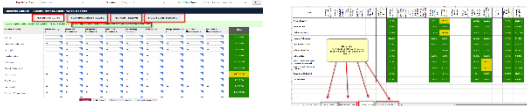


• **Discussed – Public Health Update-Opioid Data:**

- ☞ Dr. Cavanaugh, Regional Medical Director presented the following -
  - Overdose deaths in Calcasieu Parish in 2022 (preliminary) were 65
  - This is a drastic decrease from 100 overdose deaths reported in Calcasieu in 2021
  - We believe this decrease is significant and is a testament to the efforts of many agencies across the region (including hospitals) working collaboratively to implement interventions
  - In other regions of Louisiana, preliminary reports have not shown drastic decreases as we have
  - 65 is still too many deaths, and we still have a long way to go, but it’s definitely progress!
  - Of the 65 deaths in 2022, the large majority (around 90%) had a history of substance use disorder, but only about 21% had a known history of seeking care
  - Fentanyl was involved in 77% of the deaths, but, most of these involved other substances (such as methamphetamines and benzodiazepines) in addition to fentanyl
  - Melissa Stainback forwarded the Stats compiled by the Coroner’s Office

• **Discussed – HVA Update:**

- ☞ Liz Harmon requested that all Coalition members update the HVA by the end of the month if possible
- ☞ She also reminded everyone that there are four tabs to complete



• **Discussed – New LHA Site w/Resources:**

- ☞ The LHA website has changed
  - Liz encouraged everyone to bookmark the page as State plans are readily available



• **Discussed – Resource Manage Screen 2023:**

- ☞ Liz requested everyone update the Resource screen in the ESF-8 Portal



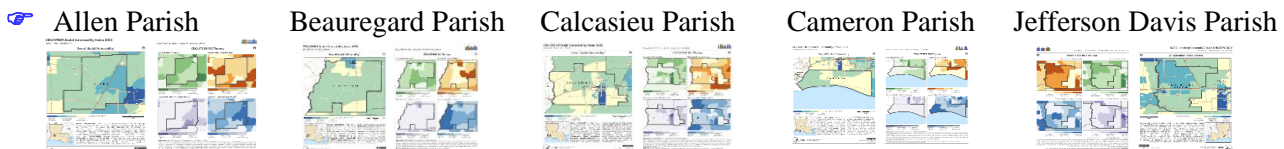
• **Discussed – emPower:**

- ☞ A summary of the emPower data is included in the PP

| LHA Performance Summary |       | LHA Performance Summary |       |
|-------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|
| Category                | Value | Category                | Value |
| Overall Score           | 85    | Overall Score           | 85    |
| Target Score            | 90    | Target Score            | 90    |
| Progress %              | 94%   | Progress %              | 94%   |
| Remaining Items         | 5     | Remaining Items         | 5     |

• **Discussed – Social Vulnerability Index & Louisiana Region 5 –**

- ☞ The SVI data is included in the PP



☞ Navigating

- <https://svi.cdc.gov/>
- Explore the CDC/ATSDRC SVI Interactive Map
- Click Parish within the State
- View Prepared County Map



☞ Region 5 – SVI Links

- Allen Parish: [https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020\\_Allen.pdf](https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020_Allen.pdf)
- Beauregard Parish: [https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020\\_Beauregard.pdf](https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020_Beauregard.pdf)
- Calcasieu Parish: [https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020\\_Calcasieu.pdf](https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020_Calcasieu.pdf)
- Cameron Parish: [https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020\\_Cameron.pdf](https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020_Cameron.pdf)
- Jefferson Davis Parish: [https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020\\_Jefferson%20Davis.pdf](https://svi.cdc.gov/Documents/CountyMaps/2020/Louisiana/Louisiana2020_Jefferson%20Davis.pdf)

• **Discussed – Preparedness Plan/Response Plan/Comments:**

- ☞ Liz reminded everyone that the plans were submitted for review on January 9<sup>th</sup>
- ☞ With no comments being received the plans are considered final
  - However, revisions and updates can be made at any time

• **Next R5 ESF-8 Health & Medical Coalition Meeting:**

- ☞ Monday, February 28, 2023, at 2:30PM/OHSEP

**HAZMAT:** Chief, Mark Ware, Ward 4 Fire Protection District No. 2/Carlyss, Chairman – *N/A*

**EQUIPMENT LIST/WEBSITE DATABASE:** Rob Daughdril, Inspector Chairman – *N/A*

**INSPECTION:** Rob Daughdril, Inspector Chairman – *N/A*

*Inspection Progress:*

**MARINE USCG:** Cade McLemore, Port Security Specialist/USCG MSU – *N/A*

**NOMINATING:** Bill Wilkie, Chairman – *N/A*

**SAR:** Lt. Ty Istre, w/CPSO, Chairman – *N/A*

**TRAINING:** Jimmy Boyette, Assist. Chief, w/WFD & Brandon Walker, Training Officer w/CFD Chairman – *N/A*

**WEATHER UPDATE (NWS):** Doug Cramer, Warning Coordination Meteorologist –

***US NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE LAKE CHARLES:***

• ***Issued at 7:08AM CST Wednesday, February 8, 2023***

- ☞ Strong to severe thunderstorms are possible later today as a squall line sweeps across the region. Timing will be early afternoon for SE TX and SW LA and Acadiana by evening. All modes of severe weather will be possible, with the greatest threat for tornadoes in portions of central LA into MS. Make sure you have a way to receive warnings later today.



- **Issued at 6:40AM CST Tuesday, February 7, 2023**

- ☞ There will be a Slight Risk Potential (level 2 out of 5) for severe storms on Wednesday afternoon into Wednesday evening as a storm system moves into the region. Storms are likely to form along a line and move west to east across southeast Texas into southwest, south central, central Louisiana during the late afternoon into evening hours. Some of these storms will have the potential to produce damaging wind gusts and/or quick spin-up tornadoes. Also, some locally heavy rain may fall with a small potential for flooding.
- ☞ Until the storms move in, expect warm and humid conditions.
- ☞ Be weather aware and keep updated on the potential severe situation on Wednesday.



**OLD BUSINESS:** Tammy Ryan, President –

- **Mason Lindsay - Discussed the BUXUS Pipeline Information for Emergency Responders App. -**

- ☞ Tabled, pending further review

**NEW BUSINESS:** Tammy Ryan, President – *N/A*

**VOTING ISSUES:** Tammy Ryan, President – *N/A*

## ***NEXT MONTH'S MEETING EVENTS:***

**NEXT MEETING HOST:** Lake Charles LNG Company & Energy Transfer Company

**DATE:** Wednesday, March 8, 2023

**TIME:** 11:00AM

**LOCATION:** Managan Center - 1221 Sampson Street - Westlake, LA 70669

**ADJOURN:**

- Motion to adjourn – Kevin Boyette, w/Westlake US 2 LLC/Westlake South
- 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion – Ricard McGuire, E-911
- Meeting adjourned – 11:19AM

### ***THE NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD***

**Thursday, March 2, 2023 @ 2PM**

**901 Lakeshore Drive, Suite 200**

**Lake Charles, LA 70601**