



# Child Care Disaster and Recovery Webinar Series

**Coordination of  
Emergency and Respite  
Care Post Disasters**

**Sept. 26, 2017**



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# Help Child Care Programs **PREPARE**, **RESPOND**, and **RECOVER** from **Natural Disasters and Emergencies**

[www.childcareprepare.org](http://www.childcareprepare.org)

Child Care Aware® of America is expanding its emergency preparedness resources!

# Coordination of Emergency and Respite Care Post Disasters: Today's Focus

- Montana's example: Role of CCR&R in Meeting Child Care Needs of First Responders, Medical Personnel, Disaster Response Workers
- Respite Care Within Shelters

# Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG)



## Continuation of Services and Subsidies

- **Guidelines for continuation of child care subsidies and child care services, which may include the provision of emergency or temporary child care services during a disaster and temporary operating standards for child care after a disaster.**

# Today's Presenters:



## Child Care Connections- Bozeman, MT

Co-chairs: Emergency Preparedness Committee

- Tammy Christofferson
- Kristin Horn

## Children's Disaster Services

- Kathy Fry-Miller, Associate Director

# Montana Child Care Resource & Referral: Role with Emergency Child Care

By: Tammy Christofferson &  
Kristin Horn



# Agenda

- Background Information
- Guardian Programs
- Collaborations with Community
- Goals



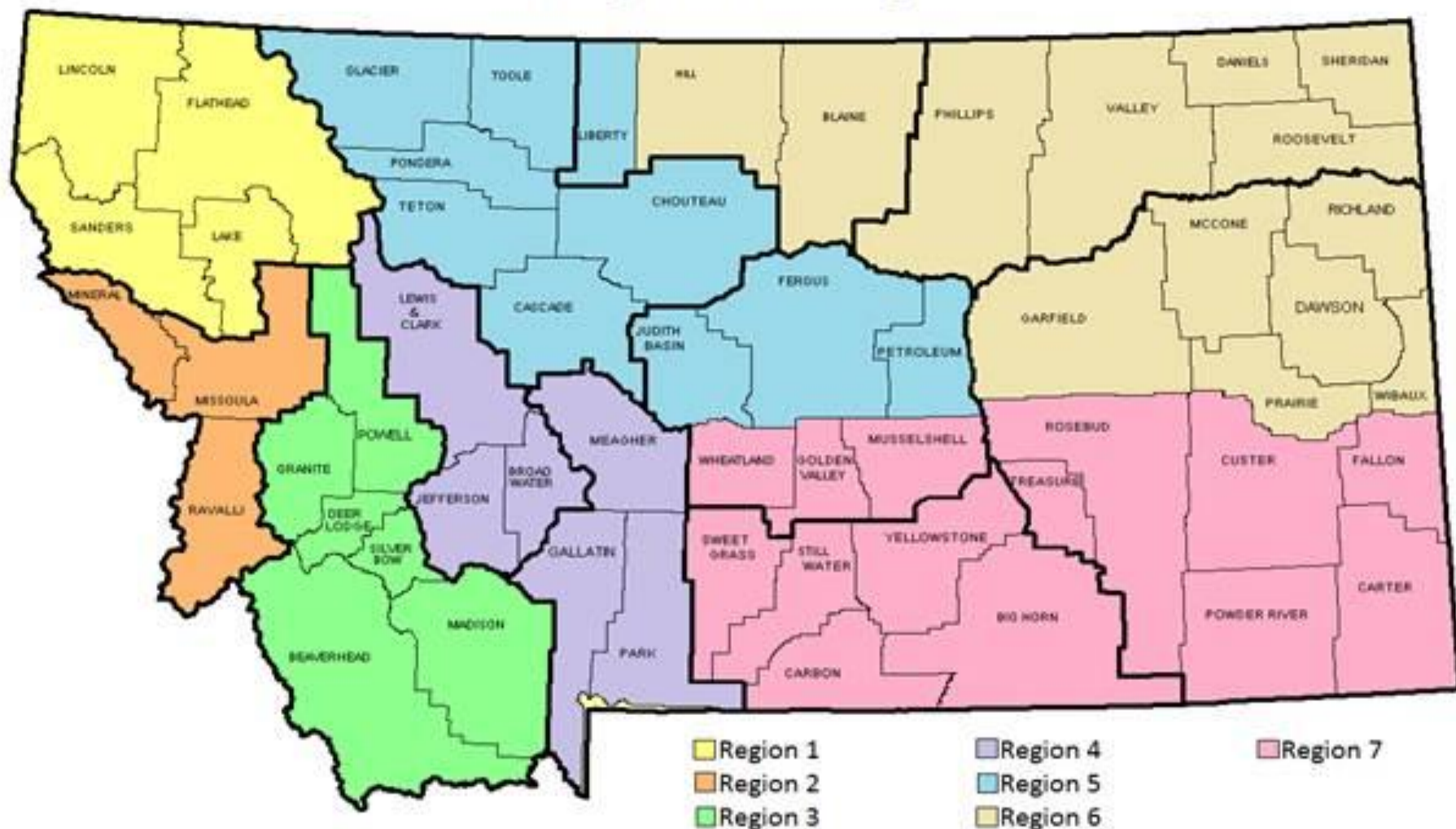
# Background Information

- 1 of 7 CCR&R's in Montana
- We serve 6 counties
  - 21,904 square miles (about the same size as West Virginia)
  - 2 main cities
  - Mostly rural
- 2 offices
  - Bozeman
  - Helena (satellite office)
- 17 employees

Child Care Resource and Referral  
Regional Map



# Child Care Resource and Referral Regional Map



# Background Information

- State Mandate
  - Federal Guidelines through Block Grant
  - Temporary childcare for relief workers



# Guardian Programs

## Who are they?

- Existing licensed child care programs
- Have taken the YIKES training
- Have an existing Emergency Preparedness Plan

## What do they do?

- Provide direct care at their facility for relief worker's children
- Provide personnel to work at a temporary child care facility
- Provide supplies to a temporary child care facility

# Guardian Programs

## Y.I.K.E.S.

- Ensuring each Guardian has a plan in place
- Practice drills
- Supplies



## Guardian Training

- What is Emergency Temporary Child Care
- Facility Preparedness
  - Activity: assemble Backpack
  - Activity: assemble Go Bag
- Community Disaster Preparedness
- How to handle donations



# Our Collaboration with the Community

- Participate fully in Community Emergency Committees
  - Table top exercise
  - AHAD, VOAD
- Local Hospital
  - Temporary child care on site
  - Hospital would staff, we would provide head of school

# This Year's Goals

- More Guardian programs in each area
- MOU's with a medical facility within each community we serve
- Guardian training fruition
  - Annual drills with programs



# Need Additional Information?

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# Respite Child Care

- Mass care shelters
- FEMA disaster recovery centers



- Save the Children's 'Child Friendly Spaces'

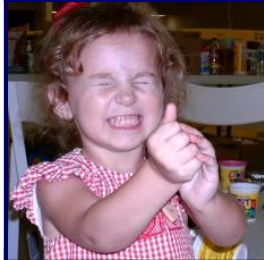
These spaces are safe, well-supervised areas within shelters where children can play, socialize and begin to recover from the disaster, while allowing their parents to concentrate on addressing the family's immediate and longer-term needs.



# Children's Disaster Services

Caring for children in disaster  
since 1980

*Nurturing Children ~ Equipping Volunteers ~ Supporting Families*







Do you see  
the children?

# CDS Nurtures Children



Sets up child care centers  
across the nation in shelters  
and service centers





# CDS Nurtures Children



Provides certified volunteers who

- provide a calm, safe and reassuring presence in the midst of chaos.
- encourage children to express themselves – thereby starting the healing process.



# CDS Equips Volunteers



Volunteers from across the country

- participate in a 27 hour experiential workshop
- learn to work with children after a disaster
- undergo a rigorous screening process
- are able to respond quickly to both local and national disasters





## CDS Provides:

- respite for parents
- an experience of calm in the midst of the chaos of disaster for families and communities
- information on how to support the unique needs of children in disaster





# CDS Supports Communities



- help identify and meet the special needs of children during or after a disaster
- consultation / workshops specifically tailored to each situation for
  - parents
  - community agencies
  - schools
  - churches



# Work with Partners



- American Red Cross



- FEMA



- Local emergency management agencies

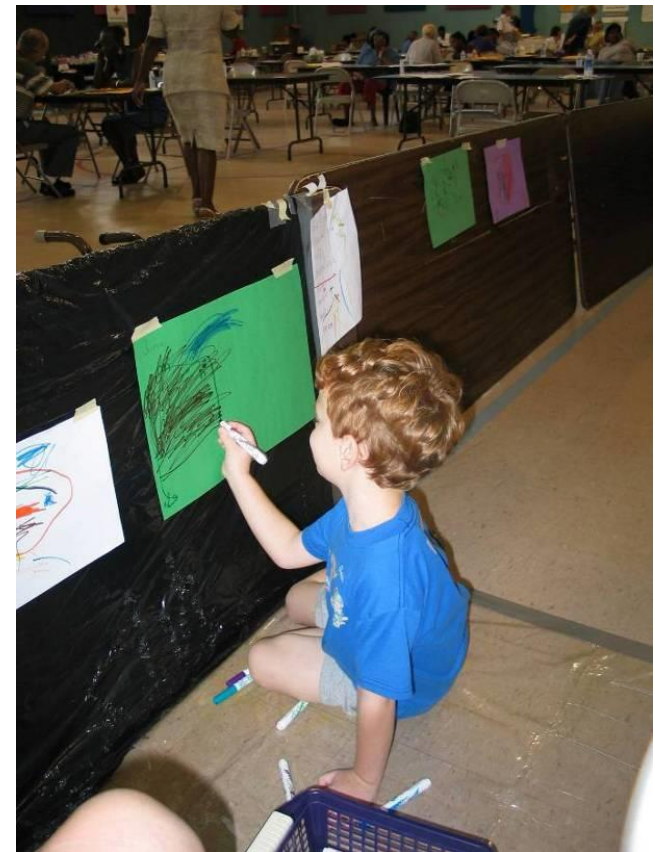
- Partner Denominations

- Other disaster response organizations

# CDS Supports Partners



Partner agencies report CDS creates an environment that makes it easier to give aid to those in need.





# CDS develops volunteer leadership



- Project Managers
- Lead caregivers
- Critical Response Child Care
- Trainers
- Regional or state coordinators
- Local coordinators

# Critical Response Childcare

- CDS was invited to join the Red Cross Critical Response Team in 1997
- Critical Response Childcare volunteers:
  - are experienced and capable CDS volunteers who are able to deploy quickly
  - receive additional training in responding to the needs of children in crisis
  - provide respite and support to children and families after a catastrophe, such as airline or mass casualty disaster





# Current Statistics



**CDS currently has over 700 certified caregivers across the country.**

**From 1980 to the present, Children's Disaster Services has served in:**

254 disasters  
with 3,313 caregivers  
and 91,215 children



“Evacuate!”

## 2016 Baton Rouge Floods

# Hurricane Harvey 2017

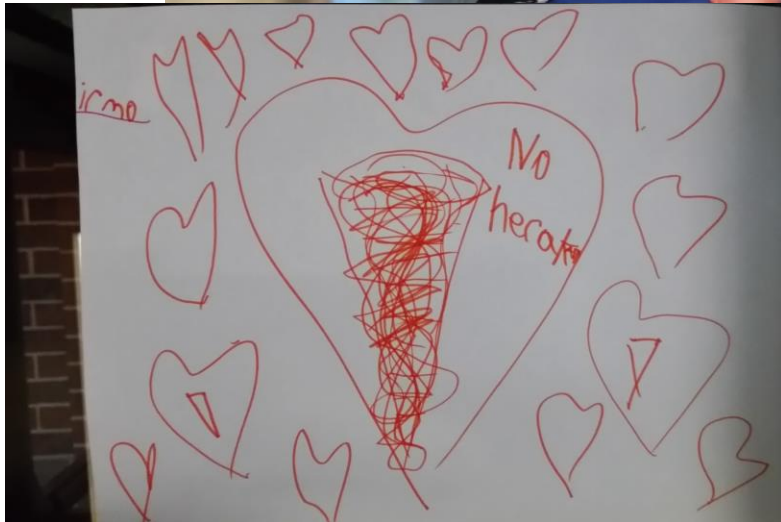




# Hurricane Harvey 2017



# Hurricane Irma 2017





# Hurricane Irma 2017







*It is in the shelter of each other that people live. - Irish Proverb*

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Questions?

Thank you for your participation!

We'd Like to Hear From You!

**What do you have in place to ensure that emergency child care is available ?**

E-mail: [preparedness@usa.childcareaware.org](mailto:preparedness@usa.childcareaware.org)

# The Role Emergency Response and Recovery Plays in Child Care



## Dragonfly Diaries



*Our Executive Director shares her thoughts in this on-going diary!*

[anniversary.usa.childcareaware.org/dragonfly-diaries/](http://anniversary.usa.childcareaware.org/dragonfly-diaries/)



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**SPECIAL WEBINAR:**  
**WHEN DISASTER STRIKES: PROTECTING YOUR FAMILY CHILD CARE BUSINESS**



Insurance is key in preparing for emergencies. Unfortunately, for many family child care providers your current policy may be inadequate to protect the children in your care, your family and your property.

In this webinar, Tom Copeland will offer tips for ensuring adequate insurance coverage, how to deduct expenses for items damaged or destroyed in a hurricane or other disaster, and how to prepare for the next emergency.

**Tuesday, October 3, 2017**  
8:30-9:30 pm EST  
7:30-8:30 pm CST  
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5:30-6:30 pm PST

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