

PRESS RELEASE

Mayor McGuffie is proud to announce the joint partnership with Lutheran Ministries of Alabama (LMA) to assist survivors of the 2012 tornadoes as they recover from the disaster. LMA will have a representative at the Municipal Annex Building (6757 Old Springville Road) on Mondays from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. beginning July 16. This assistance is made possible through an LMA program called RESTore.

What is RESTore?

Alabama Recovery Enterprise for Survivors of Tornadoes (RESTore) is a disaster case management program operated by Lutheran Ministries of Alabama. RESTore is designed to provide help, support and advocacy for survivors of the 2012 tornadoes as they recover from the disaster. RESTore case managers work in partnership with tornado survivors to assess their disaster-related needs, develop long-term recovery plans, and connect survivors to available resources to meet their disaster-related needs.

How do I sign up for services?

To sign up for Alabama Recovery Enterprise for Survivors of Tornadoes (RESTore) assistance, please call 205-378-8051 or visit www.lmal.org and select the Request Assistance tab. If you are calling, have your current address, pre-disaster address, a current phone number and alternate contact information.

What is Disaster Case Management?

Disaster Case Management is an in-depth assessment of a survivor's disaster related unmet needs. Case Managers work in partnership with survivors to develop a recovery plan and to serve as advocates for survivor needs.

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What is a Recovery Plan?

A recovery plan is a survivor's "road map" to recovery, providing the survivor with an outline of the concrete, achievable steps that can be taken in order to move toward recovery from the 2012 tornadoes. A recovery plan includes a document developed in partnership between a survivor and a Case Manager that identifies a survivor's disaster related unmet needs, sets realistic and achievable goals, action steps and timelines for successfully meeting those needs.

Do I Qualify for Disaster Case Management through RESTore?

To qualify to receive RESTore disaster case management services, you must:

- Be a survivor of the 2012 tornadoes.
- Currently live in Jefferson County*

*If you resided in Jefferson County Alabama before the 2012 tornadoes and are now living outside the service area, please call 205-378-8051 to determine if you may be eligible for disaster Case Management services.

Lutheran Ministries of Alabama (LMA) was established in 1990 and acquired non-profit IRS 501(C)3 status in 1992. Several statewide programs were initially implemented during 1992-1994. These were a training program for mothers to provide home care nursing and Family Counseling Centers in several cities. Thru this effort, LMA began its pilgrimage into case management in the family counseling centers and was also recognized as the official affiliate for Alabama of the national Lutheran Disaster Response Organization.

Visit their website www.lmal.org for more information on this organization and thank you to LMA for your assistance in disaster recovery in the Clay area.



Lutheran Ministries of Alabama



City of Clay