

Red Cross shelter (Wildfire, Flood, Avalanche – requiring evacuation)

6.1.1 Shelter – (Yachats EOP)

Protective shelters are life-preserving; they are designed to afford protection from the direct effects of hazard events and may or may not include the life-supporting features associated with mass care facilities. In contrast, mass care facilities are life-supporting; they provide protection from the elements and basic life sustaining services when hazard events result in evacuations. The latter category of facilities is the focus of this annex and is designated as Reception and Care facilities in local Red Cross sheltering plans. The designation of specific lodging and feeding facilities will depend on the actual situation and the location of the hazard area. Public school facilities will receive prime consideration for use as emergency mass care facilities; such use will be coordinated with school officials. Selected facilities will be located far enough from the hazard area to preclude the possibility of the threat extending to the mass care facility. Agreements for use of some facilities have been obtained City of Yachats EOP Functional Annexes FA 2.

Human Services FA 2-10 by the Red Cross. The City will obtain permission from owners to use other facilities as required. When Red Cross facilities are opened, the Red Cross will be responsible for maintaining all functions and staffing according to Red Cross policy. The Red Cross will maintain listings of qualified and trained shelter and lodging facility managers.

Options for temporary shelter available to the City during the first 72 hours of an incident include:

- Predetermined sheltering sites and supplies available through the Red Cross.
- General purpose tents available through the Oregon National Guard and requested by the County ECC from the Oregon Office of Emergency Management (OEM).
- If a Presidential Declaration has been issued, temporary buildings or offices requested through the Federal Coordinating Officer.

A designated member of the City ECC staff may serve as the City Shelter Coordinator. Services will be provided through the coordinated efforts of staff members, the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, other State-supported agencies, volunteer agencies, and mutual-aid agreements with various support groups. Law enforcement agencies will provide security at shelter facilities, where possible, and will also support back-up communications, if needed.

Food will be provided to victims through a combination of fixed sites, mobile feeding units, and bulk distribution. Feeding operations are based on nutritional standards and, if possible, should include meeting dietary requirements of victims with special dietary needs. The Red Cross will be responsible for meal planning, coordination of mobile feeding, and identifying feeding sites and resources for the procurement of food and related supplies. The Red Cross will coordinate all mass feeding and other services needed at open shelters within the City's jurisdiction with City Emergency Management via the City ECC.

Shelter/lodging facility managers will be responsible for the operation of their individual facilities. The primary communications link between shelter facilities and the ECC will be landline and cellular phones. If telephones cannot be used or are overloaded, law enforcement personnel may provide radio assistance. Shelter facility managers should arrange for persons in their facilities to monitor prescribed communication sources for guidance and announcements.

6.1.2 Sheltering Service and Companion Animals

The City, the Red Cross, and other organizations or groups providing sheltering and mass care will comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements for service animals, with the facility owners' limitations, and with County and State of Oregon Health Code requirements. City of Yachats EOP Functional Annexes FA 2. Human Services FA 2-11

However, pets are not allowed in Red Cross shelters. Depending on the emergency, evacuees may be requested to provide food and water for pets prior to leaving their homes, or they may take small animals to a pet care facility at their own direction and expense.

6.1.3 Bulk Distribution

Emergency relief items to meet urgent needs are distributed via established sites within the affected area. Distribution of food, water, and ice through federal, State, and local governmental entities and non-governmental organizations is coordinated at these sites. The Red Cross will coordinate all bulk distribution activities needed within the City's jurisdiction with the City Emergency Preparedness Coordinator via the City ECC.

6.2 Disaster Welfare Information

Disaster Welfare Information collects and provides information regarding individuals residing within the affected area to immediate family members outside the affected area. The system also aids in reunifying family members within the affected area. The Red Cross will establish a Disaster Welfare Inquiry Operation to answer requests from relatives and friends concerning the safety and welfare of evacuees or those in disaster areas.

Welfare inquiry listings, along with registration listings, will be coordinated with the ECC and law enforcement agencies for comparison with missing persons lists. County Amateur Radio Emergency Services provides support to the Red Cross and City Emergency Management in gathering, disseminating, and managing disaster welfare information.

6.3 Long-Term Housing

All housing needs identified during and following emergency incidents or disasters impacting the City will be coordinated through the County Emergency Manager via the County Emergency Operations Center (EOC). In some disaster situations, the federal government may be requested to provide emergency housing. Disaster victims will be encouraged to obtain housing with family or friends, or in commercial facilities. To the greatest extent possible, local and County government will coordinate post-disaster housing needs for the homeless population.