

Volusia Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD)

Meeting Summary – 7 April 2026

Members and Guests in attendance: (* online)

Agosta, Nadine	Henderson, Kayla	Peral, Anthony
Bonano, Tracy *	Howell, Charlie *	Peterson, Lisa
Brown, Corry	Jackson, Tina	Pyatt, Sherrell *
Bruno, Frank	Lovatt, Jessica	Sokol, Daniel
Coleman, James *	Martinez, Ed	Trent, Maria *
Evans, Dorris *	Moore, Don	Troxler, David
Ferreira, Paul *	Morgan, Vanessa *	Volner, Machel
Foley, Terry *	OConnor, Dominique *	White, Pat
George, Kysa *	Parkhurst, Ray	

A big thank you to Terry Foley and James Coleman for meeting notes. Please note that due to reliance on online note taking apps, the format of these notes is changing.

The meeting reviewed operational preparedness, event logistics, recovery program status, and facilities updates. Emergency management presented a near-term weather advisory with multi-day rain and wind, coastal gusts up to 50 knots, and seas over 15 feet, and discussed uncertainty about whether dry ground will absorb or shed runoff. Participants reviewed a packed exercise calendar, including a large regional mass-casualty exercise spanning Tampa to the East Coast with over 100 hospitals and 4,000 volunteers, a statewide hurricane exercise next week, an alternate-site continuity exercise at the historic courthouse, and an active-threat exercise at the Ocean Center.

The group finalized Hurricane Expo plans and vendor logistics, confirmed registration closes March 31, approved Speedway invoices for site and portage costs, and expected the event to break even or net modest donations while remaining community focused. Staffing and facilities updates noted EOC construction has walls in place with a roof delayed by steel delivery and projected completion in June, a technology upgrade review committee scheduled for month-end, and a new hire named Madeline starting on the 20th. Recovery and volunteer updates reported about 108 families in long-term recovery, roughly 550 Transform 386 cases, pipelines for about 18 housing projects, difficulty collecting FEMA application letters, potential state funding near \$250,000 to extend support past June deadlines, new warehousing for hurricane kits, condominium emergency-planning gaps and ADA concerns, and an upcoming board meeting invitation for June 17, 2006.

Edward Martinez will provide the group with a list of items needed from the community for donations and response needs

A final Speedway walkthrough with Daryl is scheduled to confirm speaker staging and generator placement

Antonio will pick up tables and chairs at the fairgrounds on Friday using a box truck. Four volunteers are confirmed for the Friday prep crew and ~five volunteers per shift are needed for event-day coverage.

Edward Martinez will send an email reminder to vendors who have not paid for Expo participation and will create and manage an email chain to assign final volunteer shifts and notify volunteers of their day-of roles

Edward Martinez will deliver the monitor and laptop to the office and bring them to the Speedway the day of the event

Edward Martinez will follow up with FDOT and send a follow-up email to confirm highway and Speedway signage placement

Speedway invoices totaling approximately \$6,147 were presented and a motion to approve expenses passed

VIND reported completed repairs and that Hurricane Ian funding has been exhausted. They have completed 23 interiors, 44 roofs, three HVACs, and one hot water repair to date. VIND has completed 14,320 individual FEMA-related calls and will continue daily calling efforts. The VIND board of directors meeting is scheduled for June 17, 2026, at 3 PM and attendees can request inclusion by email.

Kysa George will coordinate Expo logistics with Robert for ITDRC participation. Kysa confirmed Expo promotion through partner communications and will coordinate with Robert for ITDRC participation.

The meeting closed after assigning signage coordination follow-up and noting tarp installation offers.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Submitted 05/12/2026
Charlie Howell
Secretary