



Kilauea East Rift Zone Lava Flow Disaster Operation Hawaii

- 5 shelters opened
- Animals roamed freely within shelter
- Tent population outside of shelters
- Pahoia Shelter opened for 4 ½ months
- \$300,000 in financial assistance to 690 families
- 10,800 crisis counseling contacts



After 2 months...

More difficulty in motivating volunteers to continue to help

Volunteer Recruitment Campaign

Accessible training

Hands on mentoring of new

Shelter volunteers

665 workers & 350 event-based volunteers

UH Dorms for housing



One Hospice Death in Shelter
One Suicide outside of Shelter
More than 10,800 contacts with
Crisis Counselors and Spiritual Care
Many relocate to the mainland because
of lack of affordable housing

Multi-Agency Shelter Transition Teams

Hotels were not enough of an option in Hawaii County

Tiny Homes were erected on church lots to help to keep families in Hawaii but there were limitations.

Many opted for relocation monies to move out of state.

VOAD agencies worked together to try to fund housing solutions.

Many voluntary agencies provided options for aid to include Tzu Chi Foundation, Catholic Charities, The Salvation Army, Southern Baptists and new local networks popped up to provide people with what they needed the most.