

Northampton County Emergency Operations Plan

2.7.5 Nongovernmental Organizations

Nongovernmental organizations include a variety of volunteer, service, or advocacy groups that are independent from any governmental body. Many of these organizations play important roles during disasters or have responsibilities that are necessary. Activities performed by nongovernmental organizations may include the following:

- Manage volunteers and donations.
- Provide community psychological support (e.g., churches).
- Manage domestic animal issues (e.g., orphaned pets).
- Coordinate with private industry elements.
- Support public information campaigns.
- Support public health missions.
- Support assistance programs for vulnerable populations.