

ADVISORY GROUP ON Elimination of Duplicative and Non-Essential Services

PROPOSAL #: AGDNES #20

SUBJECT: DSS - Sheltering During Emergencies

DATE ADOPTED BY ADVISORY GROUP: 11/02/09

COMMISSION ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

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RECOMMENDATION: Re-allocate DSS emergency preparedness sheltering activities to GOHSEP, LANG or a professional vendor.

Summary Description/Nature of Change	Key/Implementation Responsibilities	Need	Action Needed	Benefit/Saving	Done/ Study
Develop implementation plan to re-allocate DSS emergency preparedness sheltering activities to GOHSEP, LANG or a professional vendor.	DSS, GOHSEP, and LANG	Point-to-point parish relationships need to be established for long-term development of the state sheltering plan in order to become independent from out-of-state support.	Identify point-to-point arrangements for 17 evacuating parishes with associated sheltering parishes. The state, as a worst case scenario, needs 50,000 spaces for critical transportation needs evacuees.	American Red Cross has approximately 68,000 general population shelters of which 37,000 of those were used in Gustav/Ike - leaving 31,000 spaces theoretically unused. Reduces costs associated with transporting citizens out of state during an even. Point-to-point shelter arrangements will use local transportation resources vs. commercial buses, trains and airplanes.	DSS can house a little over 13,000 in the unused 31,000 spaces of the American Red Cross, still leaving 18,000 available for general population along with the 37,000 already being used (55,000 general pop spaces total)