

Alliance for Response- Miami
Thursday, December 11th at 1:30pm
Committee Meeting Summary

Meeting Attendees: Kim Bergen
Steve Detwiler
Elyzabeth Estrada
Lauren Hall
Thom Wolek
Deborah Margol
John Scott
Stefania Marino

Introduction

- Thom Wolek the Director of Security at the Wolfsonian-FIU joined the committee.
- Also in attendance was Stefania Marino with Vizcaya Museum and Gardens.

Strategic Plan Implementation

Steve Detwiler suggested that the following activities in the Strategic Plan be the priorities for 2015:

- Formalize the structure of AFR Miami through the establishment of bylaws.
- Continue to grow the membership to include large and small art and cultural institutions throughout Miami-Dade and Monroe counties.
- Provide presentations and outreach material to existing groups in the counties to educate potential members and partners on the Alliance.
- Promote and partner with existing preparedness campaigns.

Membership Recruitment

The committee members present recommended that doing recruitment activities during Miami's Museum Month in May 2015 will be beneficial. We can coordinate with the Greater Miami Convention and Visitor's Bureau who is running this event. Also for the annual American Institute for Conservation Meeting Lauren Hall can assist with getting the Alliance added to the meeting agenda or plugged in.

Miami-Dade Cultural Affairs Dept. is an associate member of ArtsReady. Currently, ArtsReady is looking at engaging on a State level. Steve Detwiler also informed the committee that Heritage Preservation informed OEM of the possibility of applying for Hazard Mitigation Grant Program funds to further cultural and arts preparedness activities. Deborah Margol offered to assist OEM.

In terms of prospective members the following committee members would reach out to the following organizations:

Organization	Committee Member
Bass Museum of Art	Kim Bergen
Miami Holocaust Museum	Kim Bergen
History Miami	Kim Bergen
DARCA	Kim Bergen
Cisneros Fontanals Collection	Deborah Margol

Webinar Schedule

Elyzabeth Estrada informed the committee that we will spread out a series of webinars over the next two years or more. The initial topics that she came up with were:

- American Institute for Conservation, Collections Emergency Response Team
- Craft Emergency Response Fund
- ArtsReady
- Lessons Learned from past disasters (Sandy, etc)
- Heritage Preservation
- FEMA's Recovery Support Function for Cultural Affairs
- State of Florida's Emergency Response Team

Final Workshop

We are still planning on hosting a class on ICS for the art and cultural community and then having a functional exercise following the class. We will discuss more of this at the next committee meeting.

Other Issues

- Heritage Preservation received a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to expand the Alliance for Response program. They will be looking at expanding on a regional level instead of individual cities.
- The draft survey to members was sent out to the committee and their comments added. It will be used to determine the individual member's level of interest and expertise.
- The Wolfsonian-FIU will look into hosting an online cloud drive to store Alliance files that would be used during a disaster.
- A preliminary list of the significant events (months & days) was presented to the committee. We will be gearing social media posts and activities around these events.
- The Wolfsonian-FIU suggested that we ask Amy Aiken with FIU to join the committee or at least participate.
- Kim Bergen will follow up with the PAAM to see if they are still interested in being involved in the Alliance.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is tentative scheduled for February 3rd at 10:30am. Vizcaya volunteered to host the meeting.