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### **Hurricane Ike Situation Report #5**

- Hurricane Ike is a Category 2 storm with winds of 100 mph. The storm is moving northwest at 10 mph. Hurricane Ike shifted to the north east and increased its wind speeds.
- Ike is moving toward the west-northwest near 10 mph...17 km/hr. A general west-northwestward motion is expected over the next day and the center of Ike should be very near the coast by late Friday; however, because Ike is a very large tropical cyclone, weather will deteriorate along the coastline before the center reaches the coast.
- The Alamo Regional Command Center has received approximately 28 buses due to mandatory/voluntary evacuation orders being issued. There are currently 23 mandatory and 13 voluntary evacuation orders issued.
- As of 7:00 p.m. yesterday, the reception center is no longer accepting new buses and is now receiving self evacuees and buses with evacuees. There are 102 returning buses in staging and 4 returning wheelchair vans in staging.
- The ARCC is preparing for a large number of evacuees into the San Antonio area starting today.
- There are 592 general population evacuees and 204 special needs evacuees in shelters.

- Four shelters are open and one additional shelter opening today. Total capacity of all shelters is 13,595.
- Currently there are nine shelters open for special needs.
- There is one shelter open for pets, which has processed 64 pets.
- There are currently 127 personnel from 20 agencies supporting operations at the ARCC.
- The San Antonio Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (SAVOAD) is seeking volunteers. Members of the community wishing to help with the response to Hurricane Ike are asked to go to the Coliseum Frontier Room beginning at noon on September 10. For more information, contact (210) 224-5365.
- Medical volunteers are also needed. Those able to assist are asked to contact the Medical Volunteer Coordination Center at (210) 233-5910.
- The American Red Cross has established a contact number and website that can be used to register oneself as an evacuee or locate family members: 1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) and click on the Safe and Well program.
- For basic shelter information, individuals can call 207-6400 or 3-1-1.

