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Dispatch
From Louisiana
Cal Poly Student
Was There - Volunteering

Cal Poly GRC student Nick Hoover joined the Red Cross volunteer effort in New Orleans Sept. 1-19. See his photos and read his notes home from the front lines of the Katrina Relief Zone.

Day 14:
New Orleans II.
It might be difficult to understand why I would miss work days that were no shorter than twelve hours long, or the concept of working seven days a week with no time off -- but if you met the people that I’ve labored with side by side, you would understand that leaving my fellow Red Crossers is difficult for me to do.

Day 4
New Orleans I:
My partner and I were given an order to deliver 24 pallets of bottled water (42,000 pounds) to Morero, La., in Jefferson Parish -- just a few miles south of New Orleans...

Day 1
Baton Rouge:
Earlier today, an elderly gentlman asked me for assistance in finding what he called a "ticket out of here." ...The look in his eyes was one that made me want to drive him wherever he had to go...

One Katrina Family Still Needs Housing
Biz Major, Husband and Baby Still Need Housing
One of the last Katrina students arriving on campus is Monique Kennedy LaGrand. LaGrand and her husband and 13-month-old daughter are living in a motel and looking for housing while she attends classes and her husband looks for work. The family lost almost everything in flooding in New Orleans. Kennedy LaGrand is among the 10 students from New Orleans campuses.

Read About the Katrina Students
Read the SLO Tribune Story on the LaGrands.
Read the Tribune Story about Katrina Student Ryan Dorsey

Help! Donate to Help Katrina Students!

Make Checks Payable to:
The Cal Poly Foundation

Mail to:
Katrina Students Emergency Fund
c/o University Advancement
Rm. 109, Heron Hall
Cal Poly
Cal Poly Opens Admissions To Katrina Students
Cal Poly will be part of the California State University System effort to help college students affected by Hurricane Katrina. Cal Poly administrators were working Friday to set up an admission process for Katrina's victims. College students from hurricane areas will be admitted for the fall and winter quarters on a limited, case-by-case basis. The university will re-open the filing period for winter 2006 admission for eligible transfer students until Sept. 15.

President Baker Encourages Support for Relief Efforts
Cal Poly President Warren J. Baker emailed all faculty and staff encouraging support for Hurricane Katrina relief efforts. "Knowing the giving spirit of our campus community, we are anticipating that our faculty, staff and students will be seeking information about how they can aid the victims of Hurricane Katrina. You may wish to consider donating to the local San Luis Obispo County Red Cross and United Way. Monetary donations will be forwarded to local Louisiana and Mississippi Red Cross and United Way offices. These donations will help with both immediate and long-term aid as relief efforts continue," Baker wrote in his campus-wide message.

Read More and Find Links for Online Donations for Relief Efforts

Links: Hurricane Katrina Relief Efforts
American Red Cross | United Way | America's Second Harvest