



# UNITED HOUMA NATION *TRIBAL RESILIENCE PLAN*

## PHASE 2 ESTABLISH AND ENHANCE SATELLITE COMMUNITY RESILIENCE HUBS

### Six Satellite Hubs across six parishes will be upgraded

The UHN serves a six-parish area and maintains properties and/or partnerships across all six parishes to serve its members. There are existing sites that currently serve as gathering locations for Tribal activities (e.g., Tribal Council Meetings, partner activities, and distribution of supplies and services). These sites serve a critical purpose for UHN and non-UHN parish residents during blue skies and are ideal for serving as satellite resilience hubs during disasters. Unfortunately, they are not up to the current best available science on wind and flood resilience and require fortification.

Some of these locations are not owned by the Tribe, but are owned by partners (e.g., parish governments, other non-profits) who are willing to work with the UHN so that the buildings can become full resilience satellite hubs. Hubs will span the entirety of the six-parish region, with each serving specific purposes and functions dependent on the geographic and community needs.

**Six Satellite Hubs (one in each of the six parishes) will be upgraded**, including a Satellite Hub in Terrebonne (in addition to the Central Hub) to support the greater amount of population present and

to serve a critical cultural access role for residents on the east side of the community (the current Central Hub is located on the west side).

Similar to the Central Hub, the purpose of the Satellite Hubs is to **increase resilience across the region through the provision of emergency services and resource distribution** during gray skies, as well as to **fill community programming and service needs** throughout the year (i.e., during blue skies). The UHN has met with all six parish governments that comprise their service area to introduce the Tribal Resilience Plan and to begin collaborating on establishing satellite community resilience hubs in each parish. For potential Satellite Hub sites owned by partners (including parish and city governments), the focus will be on leveraging buildings that are already a point of gathering for members of the community that need enhancements to better serve safely and effectively during and after disasters. The Terrebonne Satellite Hub already has a potential location identified and the needed improvements have been established. Steering committees comprised of community members will be developed for each parish to identify sites for each of the other five hubs.



UHN supply distribution



From left to right: UHN citizen cooking food for storm supply distribution event, supply distribution event, supply distribution event

## PHASE 3 STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND COMMUNICATIONS

### The UHN will enhance their current communications networks:

 Social Media

 Website

 Call Center

 Newsletter

 Radio Station

This will ensure robust communications with Tribal members that serve to connect and inform during blue skies and disasters. The UHN is also **adding streaming to its radio station capacities to allow information post-disaster to be shared regardless of geographic location**, encouraging residents not to return until it is safe while providing trusted information.

For the expanded communication approaches to be effective during disasters, residents need to regularly turn to the UHN for information and entertainment during blue skies. Therefore, the UHN is developing programming on a range of topics including **news, Tribal services and education, traditional and contemporary Native music, Tribal Council meetings, talk shows, health programs, youth**

**programs, and coastal forecasts and other weather alerts.** By developing robust, engaging communications that are delivered via multiple avenues, lines of trusted communication will be strengthened and diversified. This will build enduring resilience because the Tribe will be better able to reach its members and provide direction and support.

Additionally, **audio programming, akin to a podcast, with regular updates and tracking of the various projects will be shared on the streaming radio station.** These stories in their various media will be a mechanism for Tribal members to share their stories with each other and the rest of the world—building awareness and momentum for positive change internally and externally.



Building that houses the KUHN, an FM non-commercial radio station broadcasting at 88.9 MHz. The station is licensed to Golden Meadow, LA and has a broadcast area of 7.2 miles.

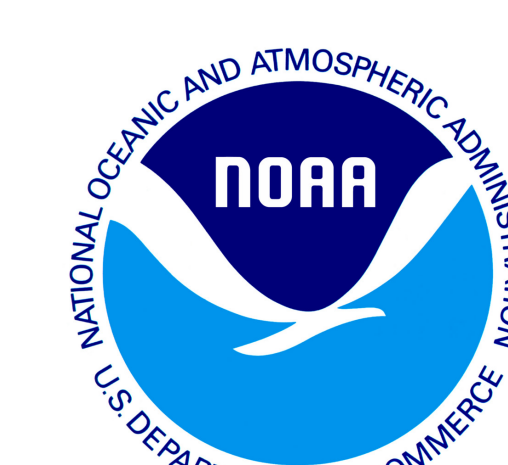
KUHN is currently off air due to Hurricane Ida damages, but the UHN has plans to restart music and talk programming as part of expanding communications.



### Capturing Culture

With the help of professional documentary filmmakers, **the UHN will also capture oral histories to be developed into a series of vignettes and an overarching documentary** that will tell the story of how the Tribe came to reside in the bayous of south Louisiana, the disasters faced, the land lost, the resilience of the people, and the desire to move toward resilient buildings and infrastructure. The ongoing implementation of the Tribe's five-phased resilience plan will also be told in the documentary.

Many funders have contributed to the success of this plan. Key partners for implementing Phase 2 + 3 include:



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