



George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum

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Material at the George W. Bush Presidential Library Pertaining To Hurricane Katrina

Introduction

This guide includes the principle files at the George W. Bush Presidential Library that contain material relating to Hurricane Katrina that have been processed and are available for research. It is not definitive, however, and researchers should consult with the Library's archivists about other potentially useful files.

This guide identifies materials that have been opened for research through systematic processing or under a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. Check the [George W. Bush Presidential Library website](#), as it is constantly updated with new [finding aids](#) and [digitized content](#). If records are available via the Digital Library, a link has been provided.

To key-word search digitized content from across the National Archives and Records Administration, visit the [National Archives Catalog](#). To see material exclusively from the George W. Bush Presidential Library, perform an [Advanced Search](#) selecting *George W. Bush Presidential Library* as the Location of Archival Materials.

Preferred Citation for records of the George W. Bush Presidential Library: Type of document; names of sender and recipient, or title of document; date; folder title or White House Office of Records Management Subject Code and case number; box number; Collection Title and series/subseries, George W. Bush Presidential Library.

White House Office of Records Management (ORM)

The White House Office of Records Management is responsible for the filing and retrieval of records created during the incumbent presidential administration. Records that are arranged by subject code and case file ID number according to their general subject matter.

Box #

Disasters

DI002 (Natural Disasters)

60-83

NOTE: Materials related to Hurricane Katrina are located in earlier boxes.

Materials related to anniversaries and other events are located in later boxes.

Staff Member Office Files (SMOF)

This collection consists of Presidential records from White House Staff Member Office Files (SMOF), 2001-2009, that served in the Administration of President George W. Bush. Each series is named after the individual staff member and/or the office where they worked.

	<u>Box #</u>
<i>Domestic Policy Council</i>	
Allen, Claude - Hurricane Katrina Files	
Binder - Agency Reports, 09/06/2005 [Binder 1]	7
Binder - Agency Reports, 09/06/2005 [Binder 2]	7
CARE Act	7
Debris Management Plan - Hurricane Katrina [1]	7
Debris Management Plan - Hurricane Katrina [2]	7
DOT	7
Energy - Pombo Bill	7
Katrina [1]	7
Katrina [2]	7
[Katrina - African-Americans]	7
Katrina - Case Management	7
Katrina - Contracting	7
Katrina - Correspondence	7
Katrina - Disability	7
Katrina - DoD	7
Katrina - Education	7
Katrina - Evening Updates	7
Katrina - Faith-Based	7
Katrina - FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency)	8
Katrina - Finance Issues	8
Katrina - Flood Insurance	8
Katrina - Health	8
Katrina - Housing [1]	8
Katrina - Housing [2]	8
Katrina - Housing [3]	8
Katrina - Ideas/Follow Up/Offers for Help	8

[Katrina - Infrastructure and Data]	8
Katrina - Insurance	8
Katrina - Labor	8
Katrina - Lessons	8
Katrina - Minorities [Folder 1]	8
Katrina - Minorities [Folder 2]	8
Katrina - Miscellaneous	8
Katrina - Native Americans	8
Katrina - NGO (Non-Government Organization) Response	8
Katrina - Publications	8
Katrina - Rebuilding [1]	8
Katrina - Rebuilding [2]	8
Katrina - Recovery	8
Katrina - Response Plans [1]	8
Katrina - Response Plans [2]	9
Katrina - Response Plans [3]	9
Katrina - Response Plans [4]	9
Katrina and Rita [1]	9
Katrina and Rita [2]	9
Katrina - Situation Room Reports	9
Katrina - Transportation	9
Katrina - Working Group on Managing National and Economic Impacts	9
Buckland, Susan - Subject Files	
DHS / [Hurricane] Katrina	1
Hurricane Katrina	2
The Impact of Hurricane Katrina on Individuals with Disabilities	2
NCD (National Council on Disability) - [Hurricane] Katrina	3
Cantos VII, Olegario (Ollie) - Subject Files	
Hurricane Katrina [1]	12
Hurricane Katrina [2]	12
Holand, Anna Lisa - Chron Files	
08/31/2005 WH (White House) Task Force on Hurricane Katrina	1

09/01/2005 41 and 43 Briefing on Hurricane Relief	1
09/06/2005 Meeting and Statement on Efforts for Recovery in Schools [Post-Katrina]	1
09/07/2005 Briefing on Disbursement of Consolidated Benefits [Post Katrina]	1
09/09/2005 Briefing on Long- and Short-Term Housing [Post Katrina]	1
09/22/2005 Katrina Policy Initiatives Policy Time	2
09/22/2005 Katrina Policy Time	2
12/21/2006 Meeting on Skilled Workforce in Gulf Coast	2

Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, Office of (OFBCI)

Henderson, Kristin - Outreach Organization Contact Files

Katrina Relief	12
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USA Freedom Corps

Headley, Jessica - General Files

Katrina	2
Katrina Bill	3
Katrina One Year	3

Materials processed under FOIA

These records are located in the White House Office of Records Management (ORM) or Staff Member Office Files (SMOF) materials. However, these records were processed as part of a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, as submitted by a researcher.

Entire FOIAs related to Hurricane Katrina

2014-0230-F[1]

Records Sent to, Sent by, or Received by President George W. Bush about the Administration's Preparation for and Response to Hurricane Katrina between August 1, 2005 and August 1, 2006

2019-0018-F

Textual National Security Council Records on the Role of the U.S. Navy During Hurricane Katrina in 2005

Individual Folders Processed under FOIA related to Hurricane Katrina

Note: White House Office of Records Management (ORM) files are excluded from this list due to limitations in search capabilities. Additionally, physical box numbers are not included in this list. Consult the finding aid for each FOIA request to identify what box the folder is located in.

2014-0216-F[1]

Homeland Security Council

Townsend, Frances Fragos - Subject Files

Rumsfeld/Chertoff Authorities - Katrina

2014-0301-F

Counselor's Office

Gillespie, Edward (Ed) - Confidential Files

[US Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act of 2007 Interim Benchmark Assessment Report, July 2007]

2016-0183-F

Press Office, White House

Perino, Dana - Subject Files

Hurricane Katrina [1]

Hurricane Katrina [2]

Hurricane Katrina [3]

Hurricane Katrina [4]

Hurricane Katrina [5]

Hurricane Katrina [6]

Hurricane Katrina [7]

Bulk Materials

Materials from these collections were created in bulk quantities for use at White House events, for dissemination to the public or government officials, or for the support of administrative functions. Items often appear in the collection numerous times because they were located in boxes attributed to different offices within the White House.

Box #

Bush 43 Sample Collection

Office of Laura Bush - Correspondence

Proclamations - National Day of Prayer and Remembrance for the Victims of Hurricane Katrina, 09/16/2005

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Social Office, White House

Invitations - Reception in Recognition of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children for reuniting children and families following Hurricane Katrina and Rita,
06/12/2006 14

Calligraphy Office, White House

[Printed Ephemera](#)

06/12/2006 - Reception in Recognition of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children for reuniting children and families following Hurricane Katrina and Rita 15

Presidential Correspondence, Office of

[Presidential Proclamations - Blue Line Proclamations](#)

Honoring the Memory of the Victims of Hurricane Katrina, 09/20/2005	7
National Day of Prayer and Remembrance for the Victims, 09/16/2005	7
National Day of Remembrance of Hurricane Katrina, 08/29/2006	8

Online Resources

[Sneak Peek Document Gallery](#)

This gallery consists of documents from across the textual record collections at the Library. Selections related to Hurricane Katrina:

Maps and photographs of flooded areas after Hurricane Katrina, 2005

Letter from British Prime Minister Tony Blair to President Bush following Hurricane Katrina, August 31, 3005

[Archived White House website](#)

In January 2009, the White House archived its website as a method of preserving the online presence of the Administration of President George W. Bush. The site is a resource for photographs, press releases, and other public records of the Bush Presidency. (NOTE: This site is no longer updated; some links may no longer work properly.)

A specific **[“Hurricane Katrina Archive” section of the site](#)** lists links to all public statements and fact sheets related to Hurricane Katrina.

Published Sources

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Bush, Laura Welch. *Spoken from the Heart*. New York: Scribner, 2010.

Cheney, Richard B., and Liz Cheney. *In My Time: A Personal and Political Memoir*. New York: Threshold Editions, 2011.

Updated 04/27/2020

Rice, Condoleezza. *No Higher Honor: A Memoir of My Years in Washington*. New York: Crown, 2011.