# SD Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster Inc. (SD VOAD)

## MEMBERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP CATEGORIES

### A. Membership Categories

1. Membership is available to non-profit, community based, 501(c)(3), or faith-based organizations that are active in disasters or have a vested interest through the disaster continuum and are able to actively contribute to SDVOAD. Each Member shall appoint a duly-authorized representative to represent it at meetings, serve as the primary point of contact and to be eligible for nomination to the Board of Directors. The member representative's designee shall be provided, in writing, to the South Dakota VOAD staff and Secretary of SDVOAD.

### **B.** Partnership Categories

- Governmental Partnership is open to governmental agencies that bring resources to the VOAD movement and demonstrate a commitment to support the VOAD mission.
- 2. Private Partnership is open to Private Sector entities that bring resources to the VOAD movement, demonstrate a commitment to support the VOAD mission, and agree to contribute to South Dakota VOAD (or Local/Regional VOAD, if a partner at that level). Additional specific criteria for each category of Membership and Partnership may be defined from time to time by the Board of Directors.

#### C. <u>Membership Procedures</u>

- 1. A SD VOAD Membership Application and Membership Agreement form must be completed and submitted to the Secretary/Treasurer with the appropriate payment for dues.
- 2. Membership period is from January 1 to December 31. All annual dues are to be paid by April 30 of each year to maintain membership status. Notices will be sent by January 15th.

#### 3. Membership Dues:

a. Members: \$150

b. Private Partners: \$75

c. Government Partners: \$0/no fee