

MNVOAD 2026 Annual Conference Agenda

Start	End	Subject	Presenter	Representing	Room
7:30	8:30	Registration			Lobby
		Coffee, etc.			Lobby
8:30	9:00	Welcome			Chapel
			Ryc Lyden	MNVOAD	
			Cheryl Vennerstrom	NVOAD	
			Allison Farole	MN-HSEM	
			Marlyn Halvorson	AMEM	
9:00	10:00	America's Disaster Management At A Crossroads	Eric Waage	Hennepin County Emergency Management	Chapel
10:00	10:15	Break			Lobby
10:15	11:15	The Evolution of Volunteerism: Decoding New Trends and Collaborative Strategies	Niila Hebert	MN Alliance for Volunteer Advancement	Chapel
		Legal Lifelines: Integrating Civil Legal Services Into Disaster Preparedness, Response, and Recovery	Claire Hardi	Justice North Civil Legal Aid	Youth Room
		Prepare for Kindness - Donations Management	Jeanne Rasmussen	MN Homeland Security and Emergency Mgmt	Gymnasium
11:15	11:30	Break			Lobby
11:30	12:30	Skyline Tower Fire Response	Shylo Stevens Alecia Leonard Samantha Best Joe Reinemann Dave Schoeneck	CommonBond CommonBond Red Cross Red Cross Red Cross	Chapel
12:30	1:30	Lunch & Table Topics			Gymnasium
1:30	2:30	Northern MN Derecho Long-Term Recovery Committee	Denae Alamano	United Way Bemidji Area	Chapel
2:30	2:45	Break			Lobby
2:45	3:45	Field Observer Course - Overview	Ryc Lyden Gwen Martin	MNVOAD Cottage Grove PD	Chapel
		Psychological First Aid	Bruce Norgard	Red Cross	Gymnasium
3:45	4:00	Break			Lobby
4:00	4:15	Wrap Up	Ryc Lyden	MNVOAD	Chapel