

How This Course Is Organized

Introduction to Disaster Services includes a videotape and this workbook. The videotape contains a course overview and six segments. As you view each video segment, write any notes or questions you might have in the workbook. You will find activities and exercises in the workbook that highlight key points from each video segment. In many cases, you will be asked questions based on the segment. The answers are on the following page.

The workbook includes additional information about Red Cross Disaster Services and how it works with government and community organizations. The workbook will also guide you as you consider how you want to pursue your work with Disaster Services.

At the end of each video segment, you will see **STOP** TAPE HERE. Stop the tape at that point and go to the workbook.

When you see **GO** TO TAPE in the workbook, return to the videotape to view the next segment.

If you are taking this as a class, your instructor will hold group discussions from time to time. If you are taking this as a self-guided course, talk with someone in Disaster Services to identify a resource person with whom you can discuss any questions or ideas you have as a result of this experience.

HERE IS AN OUTLINE OF WHAT'S TO COME:

Overview of Introduction to Disaster Services

Segment 1: The Impact of a Disaster

Segment 2: Types of Disasters

Segment 3: Disasters in the Community: Where Does the Red Cross Fit In?

Segment 4: What You Would Do as a Red Cross Disaster Services Volunteer

Segment 5: People at Work

Segment 6: Where Do You Fit In?