The following is a raw transcription of notes taken by each group during the Breakout Sessions.

REGION ONE  (Oconee, Pickens, Greenville, Anderson, Abbeville, Greenwood, McCormick, Edgefield Counties)

ALT EOC
Information/Space Denec Upstate Tornadoes/floods/Ice Storms
Function as an Internet access
Tracking assistants the volunteers from Libraries
PIO Public Info Organizer
FEMA Staff/State/or REM
Additional EMA training
Incorporate into ESF’s
5 – Emer Mgmt
6 – Mass Care
15 - PIO’s
18 – Donations

Mitigation Opportunities

1) Positive/Helpful for Community
2) Projects/Low Tech, Partnerships, Network
3) Net access/Education Resources? Shelter, Communication
4) Public Education/DRC:VOAD Good #’s and Diversity of population represented
5) Mitigation Efforts/Education
6) Meet EM Staff Establish Plans
REGION TWO (Cherokee, Chester, Lancaster, Laurens, Spartanburg, Union and York Counties)

Info Dissem and Coordination
Meeting Space
Book Mobile computers
Wireless Library access
Dialogue with local EM Spartanburg
Joe Farmer EM
Partnership with Local EM for functional after disaster
Clerical Work Phone Bank
Damage Assessment Technology Skills
Under Utilized Charging Stations
Some Libraries Have Generators
Outreach to Children
Game As Opportunity
Disaster Web Site
Brochures Referrals
Web Site Update
Shelter
RECOVERY
Forms/Admin Shelters/Info/Sanctuaries/Recreation

CATALYST
Help Establish venue toward normalcy normal routine

NEXT STEPS
Emergency Planning Committee
Host Programs Get Word Out

Dialogue

Might Work

Story hours for children in shelters

Use of computers for FEMA Forms DRC

Disaster Recovery Center – Libraries

Use the Parking Lots

Library provides a sense of security and normalcy and a break time

Library on the Emergency Organizations Centers

Safe Haven for all citizens

Bi Lingual assistance

Preparing ahead for disasters

Recruit for Community Emergency Response Team or citizen

Central gathering place for the county

Book mobiles can help distribute information – what citizens need to do

Public Library Staff

Temporary housing – floor space for sheltering people during the emergency

Also emergency workers

Multi language capability

Entertainment (Books, Movies)

SELF SUFFICENCY

Filling out FEMA forms

Computer Access

Insurance/email/situation awareness/housing/order or transfer medications

Career Counseling
Many on the bus route overall accessibility

Some have generators

NEXT STEPS
CONNECTION
Plan

Train

Workshops

Exercise
REGION THREE  (Calhoun, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, Newberry, Richland, Saluda)

Communications
Library – ES
Information
Good Fit
Generator for Library
Include in Bldg Standards
Weather Radios
Revise 911 to Dept of Gov.
Regional Organization for Library Support and County Back up grid
Disaster Recovery Control
Points of distribution
Info hub
Volunteer Reception Center
Who does what- skills
Assigned
Supplement Volunteer organizations
Self sufficiency
www.reading.gov
Distribute Info
Rumor Control
Connections to PIO
Authoritative info
Meeting EM and Library get the word out to media
Collaborate on response planning

Emergency Support Functions meeting

Recovery Registration connecting families

Communicate, Cooperate, Collaborate

Clearing house for info

Push to set libraries as essential functions

Generators

Back up decisions for locations

Back up library grid
REGION FOUR  (Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Florence, Horry, Lee, Marlboro, Marion Counties)

Roles of library staff

PIO (Public Information Office)

Center for Emergency OPNS

POD (Point of Distribution)

Diverting Library Staff to Emergency Services

Look into county emergency planning committees and library relationship

Make sure the library system is included in the county EOP! Training staff

Get involved in drills/exercises

Grants – Backup generators
Libraries offer redundancy

Do they support emergency generators?

All libraries need their own emergency/disaster plan? Yes!

Libraries are deserving of being part of the emergency responder list

EX: Re-entry access pass

Citizen info lines (staff)

Non-numbered ESF

Supplement EOC Staff

EX: Situation/Documentation Unit

Physical location for DRC ops

Internet access/Reimbursement assistance

Donated goods distribution

Venue to support mental health

EX: CISD

Rest area for emergency workers/responders

ALT EOC

Clearinghouse for emergency info

Rest area for emergency workers/responders

Alt EOC

Clearinghouse for emergency info/assistance

Non-threatening/non authoritative

Plan together share plans
Mutual advocates

Distribute preparedness info – ex: pamphlets, etc.
REGION SIX  (Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton Jasper Counties)

Aid the community

Exciting initiative

Enhances Co. Government emergency response

Interface w/VOAD

Library – Information Distribution Network

Coordination Center

E Gov’t forms (Assistance)

Education Incentive

Library Staff Introduced to Incident Command system (ICS)

Library Assistance w/FEMA E forms

Medical Library for Technical Information

Short term evacuation (Hours) “Visit the library”

Educate public on library communication services -- WI  FI

Look into grant funds for emergency generator for libraries (Transfer Switch)

“Community Funding Day”

Preparedness – Coordinate effort between emergency management and libraries

Involve libraries in local emergency preparedness exercises

Emergency management recognize libraries as critical/essential

State Archive & History – courses

For local gov’t on essential (vital) records

In service day on record preservation/recovery