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This document was brought to Frederick by a group of 596 refugees from the collapse of Oklahoma City brought about by the Change. They arrived on May 2, 1998, after a 15 day journey, mostly on back- roads. (Frederick is located 135 miles southwest of Oklahoma City.) There were 4 reasons they were admitted by the Emergency Committee: (1) Several members of the group were originally from Frederick and they still had kin in the town, (2) they brought a large amount of useful plants, seeds, cuttings, and grafting woods, (3) some members of the group had critical skills (doctors, civil and mechanical engineers, architects, soap-makers, crafters, weavers, and a bowyer), and (4) the group brought a large number of books with critical knowledge.

The "Okie Mutlies" (pronounced "Moochlies"), as they came to be known, contributed important ideas to the community that may have made the difference between survival and death. The most important of these was the recruitment of soldiers with families from Ft. Sill with offers of land and food as the nucleus of the town's defense, and the plans for the area system of barrier defenses prepared by civil engineers and architects.

The attached document was printed with a gelatin hectograph prepared by the Oklahoma City Mutual Aid organization, an emergency committee that came together in response to the crisis brought on by the Change. There were a total of five flyers in the series. Four were posted on the doors of schools, churches, and libraries in the Oklahoma City area. The fifth was prepared after it became evident that their emergency response was failing and the situation in Oklahoma City was becoming untenable due to fires and violence. That flyer calls for the evacuation, identifies rendezvous stations, and has a packing list. It circulated among the key activists in the Mutual Aid organization.

Six evacuation parties, numbering 500-600 people each, left Oklahoma City during the first part of May. The parties went in different directions and traveled on back-roads.

For more information, see "Collapse and Exodus", published by the Great Plains University Press, which contains the oral

histories of many members of the OKC Mutual Aid group that were taken by stenographic dictation in 2008, and the "Collected Minutes of the Frederick Emergency Committee, 1998 - 2002.

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Catastrophe Strikes! No TECA works! Mar 21, 1998
OKC Mutual Aid 1524 NW 21st OKC, Help Flyer # 1

No help is coming! Work to survive or die! Do not delay!

Water Collect rain in bucket, trash cans, totes, ice chests, refrigerators, freezers; dig holes in road-lin. with boards, bricks - to collect rain. ^{live within 2 miles of river} on low ground, try digging a 20-30ft deep well. Boil water to purify.

FOOD There are MILLIONS of lbs. of wheat, soybeans, etc. within 60 miles of OKC. Make ^{grain back to OKC. Take stuff to ride.} bicycle carts, go to rural areas, haul grain back to OKC. Take stuff to ride.

Garden Everywhere Remove turf from lawn, build 6" tall beds, fill with dirt mixed with dried grass/leaves. Scoop dirt from paths onto lawns. Plant potatoes/sweet potatoes/dried beans from stores. Plant seeds from winter squash, melons. Containers garden on streets sidewalks. You can grow almost anything in 6" of dirt. Compost everywhere. Kitchens/soap lines. Build bread ovens.

Cook Start community kitchens/soap lines. Build bread ovens. Relocate! If u have friends/family in rural areas, bro there. Start SOON!

Housing Combine 2-3 households into 1. Scavenge the other 2 houses for stuff u need.

SANITATION Urinate into sacs. Dilute urine to 10 water and use as fertilizer. Compost feces with lots of dried grass/leaves.

Security Start Patrols. Fight back against any who take advantage of the situation.

Medical If u have friends/family in hospitals/nursing homes, go get them. Medical people: start clinics where you are.

Government Ur neighborhood is now your village.

More info: OKC Mutual Aid has info on purifying water, gardening, solar cooking, herbal medicine, edible weeds, and many other useful subjects. Reading Room & classes everyday. Bring ur own paper & pens to copy info.

We can survive. There is much to do. Delay will be deadly. OCU professors say physical laws have changed. No more electricity, internal combustion. There will be no cavalry to rescue us. Each neighborhood must save itself. Beware of the tendency to resort to bad habits under stress! Leave no one behind!