

"An American Moment"
Federalism and the States' Response to Disaster
Preparedness and Response
Issues

Leaving school buses that could be used for evacuations in the bus facility parking lot.

Leaving doctors and nurses at Tulane Hospital without food. They did not eat so that patients could have food.

Rebuilding roads and highways.

Suing insurance companies to make sure they pay the homeowners' policies.

Strengthening and rebuilding the levee system.

Paying for the education of Louisiana students spread around the nation.

Reimbursing other states for food, shelter and services for evacuees.

Paying Carnival Cruise Lines for housing evacuees and emergency workers.

Rebuilding houses in New Orleans.

Providing free or low-income housing to New Orleans residents.

Evacuating patients at nursing homes, hospitals and other healthcare facilities.

Leaving evacuees stranded on road overpasses for days.

Waiting days before providing food, drinking water and medicines to New Orleans residents.

Rebuilding New Orleans even though it lies below sea level.

Reopening the port of New Orleans for international shipping.

Prosecuting looters.