



**US NAVY LEAGUE THAILAND SOUTHERN SEABOARD COUNCIL
COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT – COMSERV PLANNING SHEET**

Project: USS Dewey (DDG 105) COMSERV's – Supporting Thai Flood Victims at Phuket Vocational College assisting with Ready to Eat Meals.

Project Dates: 13 November 2011, 07:00 – 14:00, depart from the port ~ 07:00 and return ~ 14:00, arrive at the COMSERV site around 07:30 and depart after lunch.

COMSERV Participants and Point of Contacts: USS Dewey, GSM1 Dow, [dowjb@ddg105.navy.mil], it is estimated to complete this job we suggest 10-30 volunteers from the ships each day, however any number of volunteers will be fine along with the US Navy League and other local volunteers.

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Proposed Project Details and Objectives: Thailand has been inundated with the worst flooding in close to a century with many hundreds of deaths and millions of people affected with hundreds of thousands living in refugee centers. We have been lucky that the flooding has not affected our small island of Phuket; however Phuket is leading the way in assisting many less fortunate.

The Phuket US Navy League with encouragement from the US Navel Attache office and the US Ambassador Mrs. Kinney, has found a way your ships can assist in the flood relief efforts even a thousand kilometers away. Following info is from a local English newspaper.

The cafeteria at Phuket Vocational College in Phuket Town has been dedicated to cooking at least 12,000 meals a day to be delivered to flood victims in Bangkok. "The Ministry of Interior has asked all provinces with the potential to help to provide assistance to flood victims in Bangkok," said Phuket Vice Governor Somkiet Sangkhaosutthirak.

"Phuket has been assigned to distribute food to flood victims in the Klong Samwa district," he added. The district has a population of 164,000 living in 97,000 households, and has 18 flood refuge centers, said the vice governor, adding that the Phuket Provincial Administration Organization (*OrBorJor*) has dedicated five million baht to buy ingredients.

The meals will be flown from Phuket to Suvarnabhumi Airport by Thai Airways. Lunches will take off at 7am and dinners will depart Phuket at 11am. "We cook fried and dried food to prevent food going bad, such as fried eggs, fried sweet crispy fish, fried chicken and stir-fried spicy curry chicken," said Nuchaporn Kongkapun, deputy director at the college.

Ms Nuchaporn called on the people of Phuket for donations of time, effort and ingredients.

"We work all day, all night on four six-hour shifts, so we still need volunteers for this and we need ingredients such as eggs, garlic, red onions, seasoning and rice – because we use 36 x 20-kilogram packs of rice a day," she said.

They are up to more than 21,640 meals per day that are air shipped and distributed to flood victims in Bangkok refugee centers!

The following are photos of the volunteers at the lunch / dinner program 10 November 2011.





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Additional Information: A small lunch will be provided **but I strongly suggest we avoid this and advise the US Navy Volunteers to bring a box lunch with them.** We also need to bring our own drinking water and US Navy League volunteers will bring a water cooler and ice. So if the USS Pinckney COMSERVE coordinators can arrange to bring enough drinking water for use during the work period or coordinate with the husbanding agent for such, that is highly recommended.





What to Bring: The work is all inside under shade so no sun screen will be needed. I suggest all COMSERV participants also bring their cameras. Bus transport will also need to be coordinated with the ships SUPPO's and the Husbanding agent, Khun Mink [mink@glenmarinegroup.com].

Estimated Budget for this Project: The sponsor for this project will be Glenn Defense Marine who is the Husbanding contractor for the US Navy in Thailand. It is suggested that the sponsor provide Baht 12,000 worth of food to be outlined for each days COMSERV that the ships volunteers can take on the bus and donate to the cause.

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A map to Phuket Vocational College in Phuket Town follows.



