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## American Logistics Aid Network (ALAN) Opens 4th Annual Survey of Humanitarian Logistics Trends

**LAKELAND, Fla.** – The American Logistics Aid Network (ALAN) today announced the kickoff of its latest annual Humanitarian Logistics Survey.

"Our fourth annual survey will serve as a critical temperature check for the disaster relief ecosystem," said Kathy Fulton, executive director of ALAN. "At a time when many members of the U.S. disaster response community are facing uncertainty about whether they'll receive continued government funding (and how they'll fill gaps if they don't), it's more important than ever to get a firm grasp of how cross-sector logistics collaboration is happening and how it can be improved."

According to Fulton, last year's survey findings revealed that reactive and underfunded logistics continues to be the norm for many disaster focused organizations – and that, as in years past, organizations of every size and scope struggle with inefficiencies related to logistics cost, speed, and availability. (See the infographic on the following page for details.)

"These and other annual survey insights have dramatically shaped ALAN's latest work – including the creation of many new resilience activities, an expansion of our non-profit logistics education initiatives and the launch of our Logistics Ready programs," she said.

Launched in 2023, ALAN's Humanitarian Logistics Survey is part of an ALAN initiative that is focused on improving and increasing the equitable distribution of aid before, during and after disasters. The study examines how efficiently nonprofits are using logistics services for disaster relief while also examining the factors that motivate businesses to contribute their funds and services to the non-profit sector. This year's survey will be administered between April 3 and May 31, and any member of the nonprofit, government, logistics or general business community is eligible to participate. To access the survey questionnaire, go to: <https://www.alanaid.org/2026-analysis-of-humanitarian-logistics-survey/>. Or to request a copy of this or previous years' survey results, visit: <https://www.alanaid.org/contact/>.

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**About ALAN:** *Founded in 2005 in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, ALAN is a philanthropic, industry-wide organization that provides free logistics assistance to disaster relief organizations before, during and after catastrophic events. It does this by bringing the expertise and resources of the logistics industry together with humanitarian organizations so that help can arrive sooner, and each relief dollar can be maximized. Over the years it has coordinated compassionate supply chain services for numerous disasters including hurricanes, wildfires, tornadoes, health crises and floods. To learn more visit <http://www.alanaid.org>.*