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Fulton County Police Department
Georgia Archives
Georgia Baptist Convention
Georgia Capitol Museum
Georgia Emergency Management Agency
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Georgia State University Archives and Special Collections
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Munsters
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Heritage Emergency Response Alliance
An Atlanta area network dedicated to protecting cultural institutions from disaster
Our Mission
The Heritage Emergency Response Alliance (HERA) is an affiliation of institutions and individuals interested in preserving the cultural heritage in the metro Atlanta area and serving as a resource to cultural institutions around the state. The primary aim of HERA is to mitigate the loss of cultural heritage in the event of a disaster.

We are a group of curators, archivists, librarians, preservation specialists, conservators, emergency management personnel, disaster recovery vendors, safety and security staff, and individuals with an interest in protecting cultural institutions and collections.

Flood damaged photographs

What We Do
HERA has held tabletop exercises, panel discussions, and other free educational programs at cultural organizations around metro Atlanta. HERA responded after the March, 2008 Atlanta tornado by gathering supplies and volunteers to help remove historical records from a downtown building damaged by the tornado. Plans are in the works to obtain shared disaster supplies, create a mutual aid agreement, provide Community Emergency Response Training (CERT), and more.

Background
Since 2003 Heritage Preservation, a national preservation organization, has been promoting the importance of protecting cultural and historic collections from disaster through a series of national forums. The Atlanta Alliance for Response Forum was held in February, 2007 at the High Museum of Art. Since that initial meeting, several follow-up sessions resulted in the formation of HERA.

About Heritage Preservation
For over 20 years Heritage Preservation has been a national non-profit advocate for the proper care of cultural heritage. Since 1995, the Heritage Emergency National Task Force has worked to help libraries, archives, museums and historic sites safeguard collections.