Keeping Your Head Above Water: The Tulane Katrina Experience
Surviving the Storm
Hurricane Katrina’s Impact on New Orleans

- 1,836 deaths
- 400,000 jobs lost
- 275,000 homes destroyed
  - Ten times as many as any other U.S. natural disaster

**TOTAL COST:**

- $110 billion in damages

- 3rd deadliest and most expensive hurricane in U.S. history

*Source: HurricaneKatrinaRelief.com*
Hurricane Katrina’s Impact on Tulane University

- Flooded 70% of the main campus and the entire health sciences center campus
- Resulted in 13,000 students and 8,000 employees dispersed for five months
- Became the first major U.S. university in the last century to close its doors for a whole semester
- Led to losses in excess of $650M
Restoring Campus
Providing Education

... partnership with Lusher School
Housing the Displaced

... building a village
Tulane, Dillard, Xavier & Loyola

... an unprecedented partnership
Re-ReRecruiting
Our Students

... from almost 600 universities
Delivering Health Care

... free clinics and programs
Re-Building Our City

... one community at a time
The Tulane of Today
Celebrating Accomplishments

- Student interest at an all-time high
- Faculty retention and hiring are excellent
- Strong external research awards
- Significant philanthropic support
- Strong culture of public service and civic engagement
... more Accomplishments

- Proactive national visibility
- Partnerships with other universities
- Relationship with New Orleans
Overcoming Challenges

- Financial: Insurance and FEMA recoveries
- Implementing new academic vision
- Perception of New Orleans
- The Economy