Crisis Management of Natural disasters

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Natural disasters can happen at any moment. Over the past century, we have experience many hurricanes with wind gusting at 30 to 130 mph. Hurricanes will destroy anything in its path. Hurricane like Alex, Wilma, Sandy and Andrew destroyed factories, homes, and even caused deaths for many family members. Currently the southern parts of the United States have experienced two of the worsted storms in the State's history. On August 29, 2005 Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast. Katrina wind gusted was 100-140 mph and was a category 3 according to national rating of hurricanes. The city of New Orleans was the target area. Were this storm a solely natural disaster or can it be human interference causing the city to flood.

Can it be that the levee's failed because age and not properly managed? What happen in New Orleans causes many people to be called "refugee" when the new broke out. Did the local leaders, top government agencies handle the crisis correctly? On the other hand, Sunday the 10th of September 2017, hurricane Irma a category 4 hammered the Florida Keys. The impact of the storm was almost the same as Katrina in New Orleans. However, this storm captures the whole state of Florida, causing Floridians to be uprooted for the homes. Did the local official capture the warning signs in time to evacuate resident? There was flooding cause by the storm surge. But what is the different between Florida and New Orleans. This research is hoping the find truth or the best answers.

This research is about natural disasters or an act of God. The method of this research will be a compare and contrast. The researcher will use hurricane Katrina and hurricane Irma for its comparison and contrasted method. The researcher chooses these two because of its impact on both cities, and how leaders responded to the crisis. Some questions this researcher will proposal is, how leaders responded to the crisis. Another is what is the effect of not having a plan? Was

both cities warned and prepared to handle storm? There are some of the questions that will drive the research.