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### **Inmate Helping Clean Up After Oglala Tornado June 6, 1999**

One hundred fifty-nine inmates from South Dakota prisons are assisting in the clean-up efforts in Oglala. The community on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation was struck by a tornado June 4th.

The minimum security inmates from the Springfield State Prison and trusty units in Redfield and Yankton are picking up debris and helping Oglala residents salvage personal belongings. Those inmates who have construction experience are assisting with repairing roofs of homes that were damaged.

The inmates involved in the clean-up efforts are part of an Emergency Response Team that trains for such disasters. Inmates were also used to clean-up after the tornado that struck Spencer, SD last May.