



Lutheran Disaster Response
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Lutheran Disaster Response e-Alert

"For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

– Romans 8:38-39

Hurricane Harvey, one of the most powerful storms to hit the United States in years, made landfall last night, threatening millions of our neighbors in Texas and Louisiana with heavy rain, wind and rising tides.

The National Hurricane Center called the storm's effects "life-threatening, devastating and catastrophic" and predicted long periods of rain and flooding, along with massive power outages. While many have evacuated, significant damage is still expected, and thousands of people may be housed in shelters for extended periods of time.

We have an opportunity to accompany our neighbors during and after this disaster, in Jesus Christ's name.

[Your gifts are needed now to help those affected by Hurricane Harvey.](#) Your support through Lutheran Disaster Response will bring hope and healing to those who have been or will be affected by this hurricane. Lutheran Disaster Response is already collaborating with our affiliates to initiate recovery efforts.

While the storm is not over, you can help now. [Gifts](#) designated for "Hurricane Response – United States" will be used in full until the response is complete to help disaster survivors recover and rebuild.

You can also give to Lutheran Disaster Response for Hurricane Relief at your local congregations or the Nebraska Synod.

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