Hurricane Ian Update
As of March 31, 2023

Hurricane Ian made landfall in Florida on September 28, 2022. From the date of landfall to March 31, 2023, Through the Florida Disaster Fund, Volunteer Florida Foundation has collected over $63 million in donations for Hurricane Ian relief.

FLORIDA DISASTER FUND UPDATE
As of March 31, 2023, Volunteer Florida Foundation has awarded over $53 million in funding to non-profits working on Hurricane Ian's recovery response in Florida. The $53 million included expedited response grants given to non-profits, school board foundations, first responder foundations, social service organizations, Long Term Recovery Groups, rebuilding organizations and programs to assist small businesses in their reopening.

“Operation BBQ Relief volunteers prepped, cooked, and served close to a million meals in the 38 days deployed for Hurricane Ian efforts.”

--Dana Reed, Head of Government Relations, Operation BBQ Relief

FLORIDA DISASTER FUND GRANT AWARDS
● Save the Children ● The Salvation Army ● American Red Cross ● Adventists Community Services ● Team Rubicon ● Good360 ● Catholic Charities ● Islamic Relief ● Feeding Florida ● Midwest Food Bank ● World Renew ● ToolBank ● Operation BBQ Relief ● United Way Collier County Florida State Lodge FOP Memorial Foundation Inc Florida PBA Heart Fund Inc ● Florida Firefighters Charities Fund ● Florida Sheriffs Association ● The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools ● Education Foundation of Sarasota County ● Charlotte Local Education Foundation ● Hardee Education Foundation
DeSoto County Education Foundation ● Education Foundation of Collier County ● Team Rubicon ● Southern Baptist ● FlourishNow, Inc. ● DBA Better Together ● Samaritan’s Purse ● Lee BIA Builders Care ● Area Agency on Aging ● FEPA ● National Guard ● Charlotte Community Foundation Collaboratory ● Feeding Florida ● Harry Chapin Food Bank ● Safe Children Coalition ● Senior Connection Center ● Senior Friendship Centers ● Senior Resource Alliance ● Mothers Helping Mothers ● NU-HOPE ● Elder Care Services, Inc. ● One More Child ● Osceola Council on Aging (OCOA) ● All Faiths Foodbank of Sarasota ● Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Florida ● Bridge a Life ● Children’s Network of Southwest Florida ● Community Legal Services of Mid Florida ● Northeast Florida Area Agency on Aging dba Elder Source ● The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools Education Foundation of Sarasota County ● Hardee Education Foundation ● DeSoto County Education Foundation ● Education
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Foundation of Collier County ● Gulf Coast Partnership dba Charlotte County Long Term Recovery Task Force Communities of Everglades Recovery Group ● Our Daily Bread Food Pantry dba Greater Marco LTRG (Collier Disaster Alliance) ● Immokalee Unmet Needs Coalition (Redlands Christian Migrant Assoc) DeSoto Hope (Desoto County Chamber) ● Hardee LTRG ● United Way of Lee County Inc dba UW of Lee, Hendry & Glades Co ● LASER ● Lee County LTRG (Catholic Charities of Diocese of Venice)
● Greater Pine Island Alliance ● Monroe County Community Organizations Active in Disaster LTRG ● RISE Orlando dba Orange County Long Term Recovery Group
Osceola REDI ● Putnam Disaster Recovery Fiscal-Heart of Putnam dba Palatka Christian Serv Ctr United Way of South Sarasota County dba Sarasota LTRG ● Seminole HEART ● VIND ● Adventists Community Services ● Small Business Rebuilding - Impact Foundation ● Restaurant and Lodging - FRLA Education Foundation

“Thank you to Volunteer Florida for the fantastic generosity and support; they have enabled Toolbank USA to deploy the greatest number of tools to any recent disaster.”

-- Bill Hess, Disaster Services Director, ToolBank USA

SELECT SUCCESS STORIES

DeSoto County Education Foundation- Created a board committee to identify teachers and employees who were affected by Hurricane Ian. They assisted 80 survivors through their first round of applications. In addition, they identified the Middle School Greenhouse as a loss to Hurricane Ian and have worked with contractors to build a new one.

Education Foundation of Collier County – Through a selection committee, they identified and assisted 177 educators who work for Collier County Public Schools that were affected by Hurricane Ian. The committee provided funding to 177 applicants. More than 300 hours of volunteer work was contributed to complete this process.

Funding was used for:

1) Educators’ deductibles for homeowners, flood, and car insurance,
2) Rental increases for those who had to change rentals due to the storm,
3) First month rent, last month rent and security deposits for those who had to move due to the storm,
4) Awards for those whose homes or mobile homes were not insurable and who experienced a total loss,
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5) Awards for storage expenses incurred for items that were salvaged,  
6) Awards for household items (furniture, etc.), and  
7) Awards for home repairs not covered by insurance.

Education Foundation of Sarasota County- Awarded 43 survivors with individual grant awards that ranged from $250-$5,000 who work at 24 different schools in Sarasota County. These funds were used for the following:  
1) Temporary housing,  
2) Transportation,  
3) Private Insurance Deductible Assistance, and  
4) Childcare and other necessities, as required

Florida Baptist Children's Homes, Inc. (One More Child)- Teams distributed food and non-food items to families impacted by the storm and mobilized support staff and volunteers to assist with food delivery, supply packing and distribution, and clean-up efforts. 429 volunteers and 2,067 volunteers’ hours were contributed to assist survivors. 4,100 children and families were served. 30 semis were launched and 1.2 million pounds of food (about 1 million meals) was distributed. One More Child partnered with the Florida Department of Children and Families, FEMA, Children’s Network, 4Kids, Florida Baptist Disaster Relief, Convoy of Hope, Operation Blessing, and Mid-West Food Bank to supply, facilitate and coordinate relief efforts.

Hardee County Education Foundation- Assisted 634 full-time Hardee County School Board employees who experienced feeding needs and costs associated with gas for generators or to fill up vehicles. 8 volunteers with 24 hours of volunteer work contributed to assisting these employees.
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**Harry Chapin Food Bank**- Served a five-county footprint in Southwest Florida, which included Charlotte, Collier, Hendry, Glades, and Lee counties. 2,175 volunteers contributed 18,028 hours of work to weekly Mobile Pantry Program distributions. New emergency sites were created to meet the increased need for food and water across the communities after Hurricane Ian. Harry Chapin Food Bank distributed 96,929,775 pounds of food throughout its five-county footprint, equivalent to over eight million meals provided to families, children, seniors, and residents of Southwest Florida.

**NU-HOPE Elder Care Services**- A program was created to check on Seniors that had damage from Hurricane Ian. 242 hours were contributed, and 15 volunteers helped a total of 282 survivors by:

1) Delivering food to seniors,
2) Sorting through debris, including clothing and household items that were damaged,
3) Transporting damaged goods to the local dump, and
4) Distributing clothing and personal care items to 10 seniors.

Volunteers delivered 1,590 meals to 96 homebound seniors who were in a financial crisis and supplied 50 seniors with personal care items for their health and safety.

**Osceola County Council on Aging, Inc.**- Assisted over 140+ unduplicated clients utilizing 75 volunteers, and 3,250 hours of community service were contributed to complete this effort. The Osceola Council on Aging has several low-income apartment buildings in Osceola County and was able to house 5 displaced seniors and spouses in the facilities as vacancies arose. They assisted survivors with 3 meals daily to displaced seniors for 134 days.

**Safe Children Coalition, Inc.**- Provided service by repairing fences, picking up debris, and deep cleaning affected homes. Safe Children Coalition, Inc. also completed repairs to SCC Group Home and completed repairs on their Arcadia office roof to continue operations. In February, over 3,000 children were served at one or more of their facilities.

**The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools, Inc.**- Provided Hurricane relief to school employees through an application and selection committee. In total, the Foundation for Lee County Public Schools assisted 1,479 employees with grants for their losses.
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LONG-TERM RECOVERY GROUPS (LTRG)
A long-term recovery group (LTRG) is a cooperative body comprising representatives from faith-based, nonprofit, government, business, and other organizations working within a community to assist individuals and families as they recover from a disaster. LTRG’s are the backbone of disaster recovery as they bring together the community to access the unmet needs of the areas they serve. These LTRG’s are serving their communities in many capacities.

Collier County LTRG- Has a program, Elevating Homes Program, which is intended to fund the elevation of homes for low to moderate income homeowners that were affected by Hurricane Ian.

Lake Support and Emergency Recovery- Assisting homeowners with mucking, gutting, removal, and roof tarping.

Seminole HEART – Repairing homes that were damaged by Hurricane Ian. Seminole HEART is working to assist homeowners with damaged homes, and this month has helped an elderly survivor repair the unsafe steps leading into his home. Due to the survivor’s medical issues and trouble walking without assistance, Seminole HEART replaced the damaged steps with a ramp to allow him to be more independent and access his home safely.

United Way of South Sarasota County- Currently in the development phase, this entity has come together to build its leadership board and committee chairs. In the coming weeks, they plan to provide Case Management, Mental Health and Spiritual Care, and Volunteer Management and Unmet Needs for their community. To establish a support and service delivery network, the LTRG has also engaged more than 15 nonprofits in its area.
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SHELTERING IN HOME FOR RECOVERY PROGRAM (SHRC)

Volunteer Florida has partnered with the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) to sponsor the Sheltering in Home for Recovery Continuation (SHRC) program. The SHRC program reduces long-term costs by restoring homes to safe, habitable conditions and keeping communities intact. Volunteer Florida has identified 5 organizations and awarded funds to complete home rebuilds and repairs in the Hurricane Ian affected counties. This program will continue to grow as more builders are identified to help homeowners.

SBP, Inc. has 133 homes allocated to its SHRC pipeline. Currently, 66 homes have been assigned to contractors. Thus far, SBP, Inc. has completed 6 repairs of homes, assisting 14 individuals in total. SBP, Inc. currently has 4 homes in construction, 19 are being prepped and 9 are in the process of a final walkthrough with three state-certified subcontractors onboarded.

In conclusion, the recovery efforts spearheaded by the State of Florida in the six months since Hurricane Ian, a category 5 storm, made landfall has been a historic accomplishment. As seen in this report, statewide resources were coordinated to assist the impacted areas. Funding will continue to be distributed until all designated funds are in the affected communities helping them rebuild their neighborhoods.

**Volunteer Florida values transparency and accountability to ensure donor stewardship and intent. Attached is a financial statement of revenues and expenditures from the Florida Disaster Fund as of 3/31/23.**
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