

12 Ways You Can Help Disaster Survivors Recover Through UCC Disaster Ministries

1. **Organize a U.S. disaster recovery work team.** A week of your time will help disaster survivors rebuild their homes and lives. UCC Disaster Ministries is recruiting volunteer work teams for U.S. Virgin Islands; Puerto Rico; Volusia County, Fla., and Port Arthur, Texas. http://www.ucc.org/disaster_disaster-volunteers
2. **Raise \$1,500 to repair or replace a roof for a family in Puerto Rico.**
https://transactions.ucc.org/CampaignForm/UCChrist/emergency_usa
3. **Underwrite restoration of a hurricane-damaged home in Port Arthur, Texas for \$7,000, including major appliances, or in Volusia County, Fla., for \$8,000.**
https://transactions.ucc.org/CampaignForm/UCChrist/emergency_usa
4. **Prepare your household and your congregation for an emergency.** You'll gain peace of mind and be able to help others. Here's UCC Disaster Ministries' Preparedness Guide:
http://www.ucc.org/disaster_national-disaster-resources
5. **Assemble Church World Service Kits** –CWS Kits are time-tested packets of supplies that can be crucial to the recovery process following an international or domestic disaster. Especially needed: CWS Emergency Cleanup Buckets. Do more with a UCC Disaster Ministries \$250 Matching Grant, available until June 30, 2019! http://www.ucc.org/disaster_2018_matching_grants_for_cws_kits_home_page
6. **Contribute to the UCC's Emergency USA Fund**, which supports our denomination's rapid humanitarian response to disasters, including low-attention disasters, in vulnerable communities all 50 U.S. states and territories. https://transactions.ucc.org/CampaignForm/UCChrist/emergency_usa
7. **Contribute to the UCC's International Emergency Relief Fund**, which supports our denomination's disaster relief, long-term rehabilitation, advocacy and sustainability efforts around the world.
https://transactions.ucc.org/CampaignForm/UCChrist/international_emergency_relief_fund
8. **Follow UCC Disaster Ministries on the web - www.ucc.org/disaster - and on social media.** We're "One Great Hour of Sharing (UCC)" - <https://www.facebook.com/onegreathourofsharingucc> - on Facebook and "oghs_at_ucc" on Twitter - https://twitter.com/OGHS_at_UCC.
9. **Invite your UCC Disaster Ministries Conference Coordinator to speak** at your Sunday worship service, adult Sunday church school or other occasion. http://www.ucc.org/disaster_us-disasters_ucc-disaster-coordinators
10. **Learn how climate change causes and exacerbates disasters, and work for environmental justice.**
<http://www.ucc.org/environmental-ministries>
11. **Contribute to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering**, typically during Lent. <http://www.ucc.org/oghs>
12. **Read UCC Disaster Ministries Executive Zach Wolgemuth's column on the intersection of justice and disaster ministries** at <https://bit.ly/2DxCCWF> then contact Zach at wolgemuthz@ucc.org for information about serving as a long-term disaster recovery volunteer and for more information about disaster ministries.