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 Puerto Rico; Volusia County, Fla.; Bay and Washington Counties, Fla., and Port Arthur, Texas. [http://www.ucc.org/disaster_disaster-volunteers](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](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](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](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! [http://www.ucc.org/disaster_2018_matching_grants_for_cws_kits_home_page](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](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](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](https://www.facebook.com/onegreathourofsharingucc) - on Facebook and “oghs_at_ucc” on Twitter - [https://twitter.com/OGHS_at_UCC](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](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](http://www.ucc.org/environmental-ministries)

11. **Contribute to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering,** typically during Lent. [http://www.ucc.org/oghs](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](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.

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