

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 and for Volusia, Bay and Washington counties, Fla. 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. **Prepare your household and your congregation for an emergency.** You'll gain peace of mind and be able to help others. Here's the new Disaster Preparedness Manual for Churches, followed by Disaster Preparedness Resources for Families: http://www.ucc.org/disaster_national-disaster-resources
4. **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
5. **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
6. **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
7. **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.
8. **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
9. **Learn how climate change causes and exacerbates disasters, and work for environmental justice.** <http://www.ucc.org/environmental-ministries>
10. **Contribute to the One Great Hour of Sharing offering,** typically during Lent. <http://www.ucc.org/oghs>
11. **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.
12. View and share the video, "Disaster Relief Donations that Don't Bring Relief" <https://youtu.be/pzH-7k035sM> the problems donation of unsolicited "stuff" can cause, and why cash is best.