

HURRICANE HARVEY: HOW TO HELP

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AT THIS STAGE IN THE HURRICANE HARVEY DISASTER, WHAT WE KNOW CHANGES HOUR BY HOUR, SO IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO GO TO THE RIGHT SOURCES FOR ACCURATE UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION AND TO NOT TAKE ACTION BEFORE WE KNOW THE FULL EXTENT OF THE DISASTER.

VOLUNTEERS: WAIT TO WORK

In the midst of a disaster of this nature, it is easy to want to spring into action right away. Volunteers should note that their services may be needed even more so 30-90 days post-disaster, and they are encouraged to delay their help until that time.

DONATIONS

Donating money is always the most helpful to the response efforts. Do not collect or give donations unless there has been a specific need expressed and publicized by an organization supporting the recovery effort. The **American Red Cross** is urging people to call 1-800-RED CROSS or text HARVEY to 90999 to make a \$10 donation for those in need. The following are additional organizations are currently accepting donations:

- [American Red Cross](#)
- [The Salvation Army](#)
- [Save the Children](#)
- [Heart to Heart International](#)
- [Samaritan's Purse](#)
- [Feeding Texas](#)
- [Southern Baptist](#)
- [Texas Diaper Bank](#)
- [Coalition for the Homeless](#)
- [Americares](#)
- [Catholic Charities](#)
- [All Hands](#)
- [Global Giving](#)

DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Make sure you let your Texas friends and family know that disaster assistance is available through:

- [DisasterAssistance.gov](#)
- [Disaster Distress Helpline](#)

GO TO NVOAD.ORG

To see how our VOAD partners are responding to Hurricane Harvey and for more information on how to help.

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Active in Disaster