

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE
GULF COAST FLOODING

AUGUST 2016

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Through congregations, synods and our disaster-affiliate organizations, Lutheran Disaster Response is assisting those who have been affected by the

floodwaters. Lutheran Disaster Response's coordinators are actively present, collaborating with community leaders and officials to plan the proper responses, particularly the long-term recovery efforts. The road to recovery will be long, and Lutheran Disaster Response will be there to accompany those affected through every phase of this disaster. Your gifts are needed to launch recovery efforts.

Gifts designated for "Gulf Coast Flooding" will be used to assist those affected by the floodwaters, until the response is complete. Because of your generous offerings of prayer and financial support, the ELCA walks alongside disaster survivors. Thank you for your prayers, your partnership.

Yes, I want to help!

- Lutheran Disaster Response: *Gulf Coast Flooding* \$ _____ DDG0085
- Lutheran Disaster Response: *Where needed most* \$ _____ DDG0010

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P.O. Box 1809, Merrifield, VA 22116-8009

Write "Gulf Coast Flooding" or "Lutheran Disaster Response, U.S." on your check's memo line.



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