

# IMPACT GIVE BACK DISASTER RELIEF PLAN

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### Purpose

To Assist communities crisis through Impact Give Back disaster relief efforts. These efforts will begin after the rescue phase (defined below) has been completed, and FEMA and/or the local emergency response officials clear the area for second responder teams to safely enter and will be based on community needs. The plan is to train Impactors, secure supplies, and develop protocols that will active disaster response plan

### Supportive Efforts:

- Water Drive
- Food and Clothing Drives
- UMCOR Cleaning Buckets
- Toiletries
- Infant Basic Needs Drive (Diapers, Formula, Bottles, blankets)
- Laundry Drive (Bring Mobile Laundry Unit to communities)
- Shelter relief
- Mobile Food Pantry / Soup Kitchen
- Roof Patching
- Soiled Furniture/ Dry Wall Removal
- Mobile Computer Lab

### Introduction


A disaster is defined as anything that causes humans suffering or creates human needs that the victims cannot alleviate themselves. Impact Church is committed to providing help that will restore communities back to thriving communities after a disaster. Impact Church is compliant with the UMCOR's standards of excellence.

### Rescue

This phase occurs in the initial hours and days after a disaster. The focus is on saving human life. UMCOR's Work During Rescue: Although UMCOR does not participate in search and rescue activities, UMCOR is actively preparing its response during this phase. Communication and fund

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raising are UMCOR's primary activities. As knowledge of the disaster, its impact, and survivors' needs are assessed, UMCOR works to raise the resources for an appropriate and sustainable response. UMCOR does partner with some organizations, such as Global Medic, that participate in international search and rescue operations during this phase of the disaster.

### Relief

The next phase of the disaster is focused on providing survivors with their basic needs: water, food, shelter and clothing. Work also includes securing the disaster site so that recovery work may begin. Response Phases Readiness Rescue Relief Recovery Review UMCOR's Work During Relief: UMCOR works with local partners to coordinate immediate assistance and coordinates shipments of relief supplies from UMCOR Depots. In the US, UMCOR-trained Early Response Teams arrive to prepare damaged property for further repairs and reconstruction. Additionally, UMCOR-trained Care Teams provide hope and healing to survivors. UMCOR also works with annual conferences to develop their response ministry. Internationally, UMCOR works directly on the ground and through partner organizations to provide food, water, shelter and other basic necessities while planning for the recovery phase begin.

### Recovery

This longest phase of disaster response can take several years, depending on the scope of the disaster. Survivors face a myriad of challenges as they work toward restoring normalcy. Recovery includes helping survivors find long-term solutions to their needs. This can include reconstruction or relocation, support for livelihoods or securing employment, transportation and especially restoration of hope. UMCOR's Work During Recovery: This phase is the focus of UMCOR's disaster response work. UMCOR is well equipped because of our mission, values, connections and resources to address the long-term recovery needs of survivors. To achieve this, UMCOR works in partnership with affected communities—whether in the US or overseas— combining UMCOR's knowledge and resources with those of the local community. There is much work to be done in the months, and even years, after the disaster occurs. UMCOR is often the last to leave, continuing to work with survivors as they adapt to their “new normal” following disaster. In the U.S., UMCOR works with United Methodist annual conferences to support their recovery programs. UMCOR provides resources for long-term disaster ministries including funding, training, mentors, volunteers, and relief supplies. Internationally, UMCOR focuses on supporting those efforts that will benefit survivors for the long term. Where needed, UMCOR will establish an office in the country where the disaster occurred to provide ongoing assistance throughout the recovery phase. UMCOR's programs focus on sustainable recovery, which involves survivors in their own recovery.

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### Review

Evaluating disaster response is an important part of demonstrating accountability and preparing for the next disaster. UMCOR's Work During Review: UMCOR supports annual conferences of the United Methodist Church by providing tools and resources to evaluate their long-term disaster response ministries. Review helps UMCOR to mitigate – or lessen the impact of - future disasters, so we are better prepared to minister to the needs of survivors. This information also helps UMCOR tell the story of how your gifts and service have helped people recover from disaster.

### Disaster Team Roles:

Team Leader – Serene Coleman  
Volunteer / Team Coordinator- Karen Nunnally  
Donations/ Supply Manager- Rudy Fears  
Administrative Staff – Katrina Simmons  
Mass Feeding Leader \_ Tanya Hobson  
Transportation/ Logistic Lead - Dawn Wright  
Pastoral Care- Paul Thibodeaux

### Volunteer Skill Questionnaire

Interest/Experience/Training Check the types of disaster ministries that interest you.

Place two checks by areas where you are experienced. \_\_\_

1. Advisory/advocacy \_\_\_2. Bulk distribution \_\_\_3. Casework \_\_\_4. Chainsaw crew/tree removal \_\_\_5. Child care \_\_\_6. Cleanup crew \_\_\_7. Communications (Ham Radios) \_\_\_8. Counseling \_\_\_9. Crisis closet \_\_\_10. Damage assessment \_\_\_11. Elder care (or handicapped) \_\_\_12. Employment assistance \_\_\_13. Evacuation of person's \_\_\_14. Feeding \_\_\_15. Interpreter: Language \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_16. Legal aid \_\_\_17. Literacy \_\_\_18. Medical emergency team \_\_\_19. Mud-outs \_\_\_20. Reconstruction team \_\_\_21. Repair (emergency) \_\_\_22. Salvage \_\_\_23. Sanitation \_\_\_24. Security \_\_\_25. Shelter management or care \_\_\_26. Transportation \_\_\_27. Other \_\_\_\_\_ Check if you have training in the following: \_\_\_ Involving Impact Church Disaster Relief \_\_\_ State disaster relief \_\_\_ Hands-on training with military unit \_\_\_ Temporary emergency child care \_\_\_ Crisis counseling \_\_\_ American Red Cross \_\_\_ Introduction to Disaster Services \_\_\_ Mass Feeding \_\_\_ Advanced first aid and CPR \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_ Other disaster relief training

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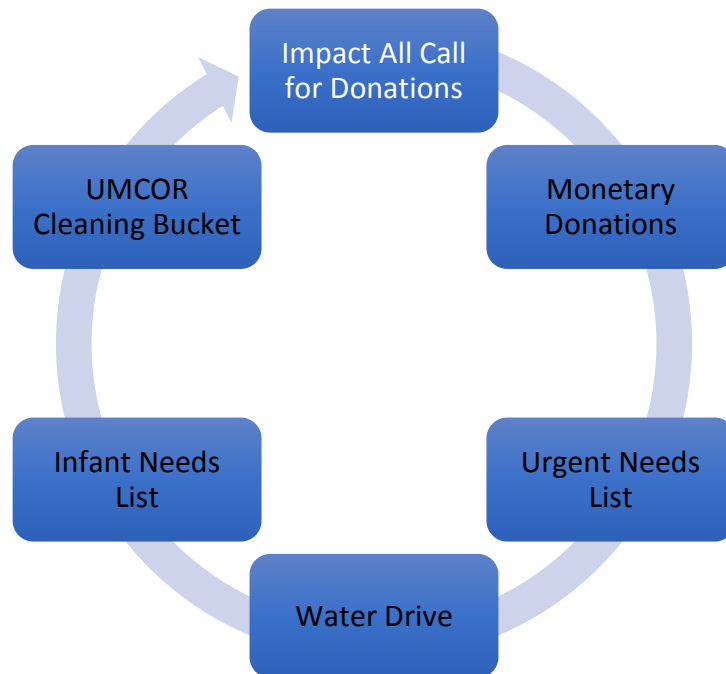
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### Phase One

Length of Phase 30 days immediate need. Ongoing effort for 6 months.

Impact Church will begin collecting supplies and cash donations to help disaster victims. These supplies will be dispensed once the Federal Emergency Management Agency gives volunteer agency clearance to serve. Impact Church will conduct urgent needs drives, UMCOR cleaning bucket Drive, Water Drive, Infant needs drive. ( See Chart Below)



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### **Urgent Needs Drive:**

Disaster state government, UMCOR, and Red Cross will determine this list.

### **Water Drive List:**

**Bottled Water**  
**Gallons of Water**  
**Water Bottles/ Jugs with filter**

### **Infant Needs List:**

**Baby Formula**  
**Diapers (All Sizes)**  
**Baby Wipes**  
**Diaper Rash Balm**  
**Baby Food**

### **UMCOR Cleaning Buckets**

#### **Liquid laundry detergent**

One 50-oz. or two 25-oz. bottle(s) only

#### **Liquid household cleaner**

12-16 oz. liquid cleaner that can be mixed with water

No spray cleaners

#### **Dish soap**

16-28 oz. bottle any brand

#### **1 can air freshener**

Aerosol or pump

#### **1 insect repellent spray**

6-14 oz. aerosol or spray pump with protective cover

#### **1 scrub brush**

Plastic or wooden handle


#### **18 cleaning wipes**

Hand Wipes or reusable wipes

No terry cleaning towels

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- Remove from packaging
  - 7 sponges**
    - No cellulose sponges due to mold issues
    - Remove from wrapper
  - 5 scouring pads**
    - Remove from wrapper
    - No stainless steel, Brillo pads, or SOS pads (nothing with soap built in)
  - 50 clothespins**
  - Clothesline**
    - One 100-ft. or two 50-ft. lines
    - Cotton or plastic
  - 24-roll heavy-duty trash bags**
    - 33- to 45-gallon sizes
    - Remove from the box
  - 5 dust masks**
  - 2 pairs kitchen dishwashing gloves**
    - Should be durable enough for multiple uses
    - Remove from packaging
  - 1 pair work gloves**
    - Cotton with leather palm or all leather

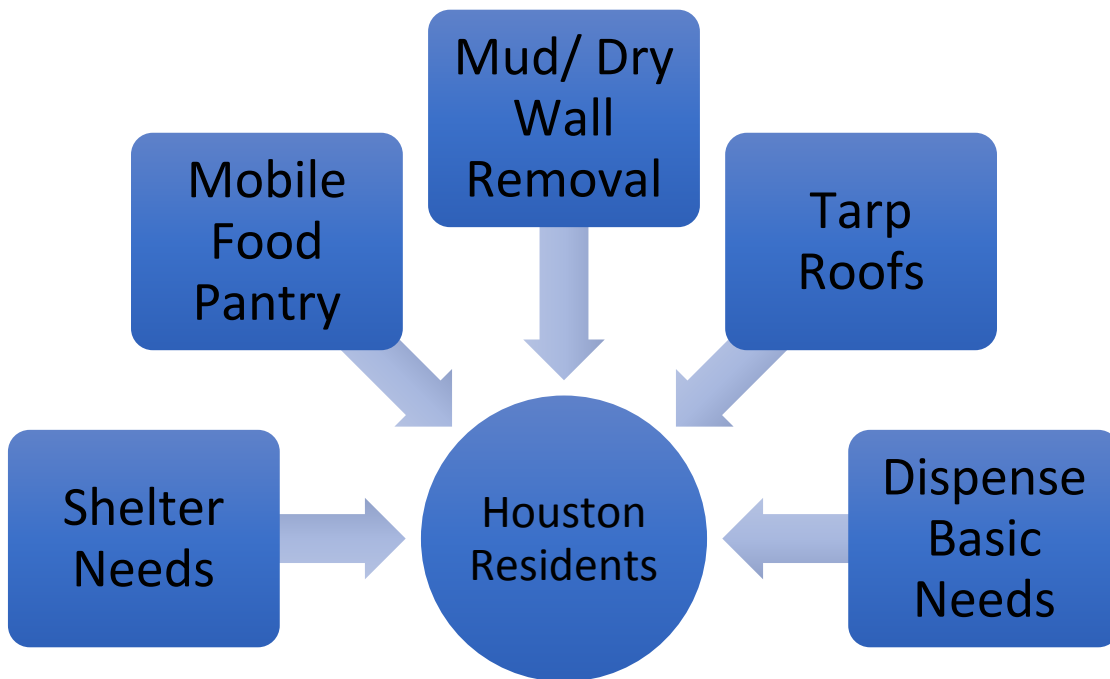
### Phase 2

Length of Phase ongoing effort for 12 months

Impact Church will recruit volunteers to serve the victims of Hurricane Harvey. Impact will deploy a team once NGUMC clears UMCOR volunteers to serve. Volunteers will be asked to serve in the following capacity: Soup Kitchen Volunteer, Triage Case work, Mud/ Dry wall removal, Tarp roofs, dispense water, dispense infant items. Deliver Food/ Clothing Boxes. Volunteers MUST represent Impact Church and show Christ's love. We are not judging or creating additional stress for families. Volunteers will ALWAYS lean on the side generosity when serving those in need. (See Chart below)

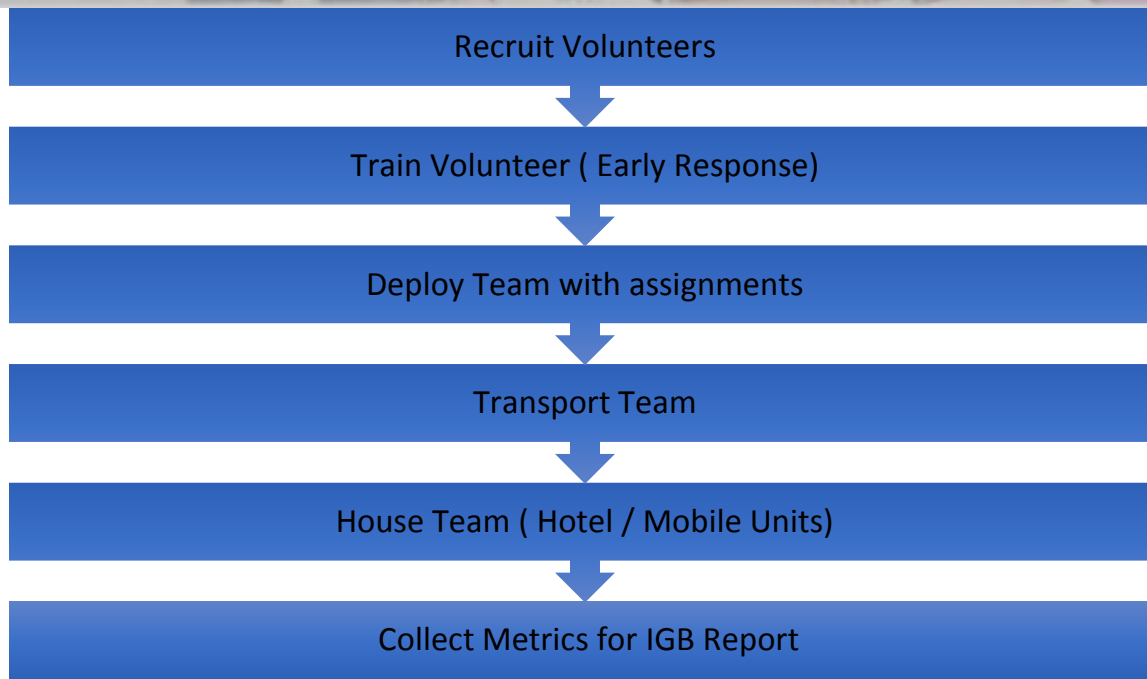
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### Phase 3

Impact Church will help with long term restoration efforts to help communities an displaced families. Impact Church will partner with Habitat for Humanity and local churches to help rebuild, churches and home.

This is the longest phase and can take up to 2 years. More details will be available January 2018.

### Support Links:

Red Cross:

[https://www.redcross.org/images/MEDIA\\_CustomProductCatalog/m4540081\\_repairingFloodedHome.pdf](https://www.redcross.org/images/MEDIA_CustomProductCatalog/m4540081_repairingFloodedHome.pdf)

Ready.Gov:

<https://www.ready.gov/returning-home>



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### **What can you do now?**

We ask that you follow the Federal and State government request to stay home until safe to serve. Pray with out ceasing for our brothers and sisters in need.

Sign up to volunteer

Donate, Donate, Donate, every donation counts. Please see donation list above. We understand that many of us are busy and unable to drop off an item from the donation list. Please go to [Impactdcd.org](http://Impactdcd.org) and make a monetary donation.

### **Are you interested in being an UMCOR first responder volunteer? Please see details below:**

Response Team Training on October 14 from 8:30 – 3:00.

Here is the link to register:

[www.rumc.com/ert](http://www.rumc.com/ert)

### **Where Can I get more information?**

Please email [havery@impactdcd.org](mailto:havery@impactdcd.org) or [serene@impactdcd.org](mailto:serene@impactdcd.org)