



# South Carolina United Methodist Disaster Recovery

## FAST FACTS

### Our mission

- Lift up Jesus Christ with thoughts, words and actions.
- Develop and maintain a servant attitude.
- Pray for families in need of assistance. Pray for Disaster Recovery staff striving to help families. Pray for volunteer teams.
- Be a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be in ministry.

### Did you know?

- In 2015, there were **43** FEMA named disasters nationwide. South Carolina represented nearly half (**48 percent**) of all FEMA individual assistance applications.
- The South Carolina United Methodist Disaster Recovery Ministries program is currently active in **17** of the **24** South Carolina counties affected by the 2015 flood and by 2016's Hurricane Matthew.
- Some **103,000** South Carolina families affected by the 2015 flood applied for FEMA individual assistance. Only **28,000** received assistance.
- Approximately **48,000** South Carolina families affected by Hurricane Matthew in 2016 applied for FEMA assistance. More than **12,000** received assistance.
- We project that we will be actively engaged in disaster recovery through 2018.

Hundreds of families in South Carolina are still in need of help as a result of damages from the flood of 2015 and Hurricane Matthew in 2016. Learn how your church and community can serve in this ministry!



## Want to volunteer? Here's how:

- 1) Put together a team and assess your skills. Mission teams of any size and ability level are needed.
- 2) Identify a date or dates your team can volunteer.
- 3) Contact us to confirm & arrange details.

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## How else can you help?

### Pray

- For families who are affected by these disasters through loss of property and livelihood.
- That communities will come together and forge stronger relationships in the recovery process.
- For God's sustaining grace through it all.

### Give

- Donate generously of your compassion and financial resources. Refrain from making unsolicited donations. Respond only to identified needs.
- Contribute online at [umcsc.org](http://umcsc.org) (click on the "Donate to S.C. Flood Recovery" graphic).
- When requested, put together United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) health kits and school kits. Kit contents and specifications can be found at [umcor.org](http://umcor.org).

### Train

- Contact us about Emergency Response Team (ERT) training and United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) team leader training.

### Host

- Your church can host volunteer teams and individuals. We need churches with bathrooms, showers, kitchens and adequate sleeping space to host volunteers.