



STONE MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION'S DISASTER RELIEF UNIT PREPARES TO DEPLOY TO NORTH CAROLINA

Our Disaster Relief Feeding Unit 11 F is making final preparations to respond to flooding as a result of Hurricane Florence. Local assessments of damage and greatest needs are being determined. We anticipate deployment by midweek to North Carolina.

A team of 22 volunteers are on "standby" to depart and the equipment has been loaded and made ready for service. This feeding unit is equipped to serve 15,000 meals per day during a Disaster Response.

Disaster Relief Unit # 11 is locally owned and operated by the Stone Mountain Baptist Association in cooperation with the Georgia Baptist Convention and our national agency for Disaster Relief, the North American Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. We are supported financially by the Appalachian Baptist Association, Monroe and the Southside Baptist Network, McDonough. Annually, Southern Baptist provides the majority of the manpower for natural disasters in the United States served by the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army.

Feeding Unit 11F was most recently deployed in response to Hurricane Irma in 2017. In support of the Salvation Army we served approximately 24,000 meals to victims and first responders in Savannah.

Stone Mountain Baptist Association has operated a Disaster Relief Feeding Unit since the early 1990's and is the First Responder unit for Georgia. Our largest response was to Hurricane Katrina where 850,000 meals were served to hurricane victims.

You can assist in two ways:

1. **Give:** Monetary donations are being accepted at the following:
 - *Website:* www.stonemountainbaptistassociation.org
 - *Mail to:* Stone Mountain Baptist Association, PO Box 911 Conyers, GA 30012
 - *Text to Give:* **470-777-9400**.

All donations are tax deductible.
2. **Go:** Volunteers must be trained before going to affected areas. Two upcoming training events are scheduled for October 6 in Moultrie and October 11 in Carrollton. You can register for training at the website of the Georgia Baptist Mission Board, gabaptist.org.