Disaster Relief Command Centers

<u>BGCT</u>: Texas Baptist Men Volunteer Villages set up at FBC Nederland, Sugarland Baptist Church and Kingsland Baptist Church Katy. Volunteer villages are staging points for those volunteers who are not yellow-cap trained (no prior disaster relief experience)

- Texas Baptist Men now transitioning from relief phase to long-term rebuild phase
- Accepting church groups over 18 yrs of age (not individual volunteers)
- Meals, showers, laundry facilities & lodging available at partnering churches in the area.

Link for registration/info: <u>http://texasbaptists.org/news/tbmtexas-baptists-volunteer-villages-open-for-groups-to-serve-harvey-affected-areas</u>

Should you desire to be yellow-cap trained, follow this sequence online:

- Texas Baptist Men home page
- Click Ministries link
- Scroll down to Disaster Relief link
- Click DR Training Calendar link
- Find the open calendar date that works best with your schedule
- Register for courses: Someone from Texas Baptist Men will contact you to confirm registration/general course information.

Church Architecture: For churches that have been damaged by Harvey, call 888-244-9400 ext. 5237. Texas Baptists are partnering with other Southern Baptist churches & connecting them to churches with damage/rebuilding needs.

<u>SBTC</u>: No command centers set up around Houston/Beaumont area; instead they have decentralized their process & are working through individual churches in the area.

Texas Relief volunteers (untrained volunteers): Required to fill out online form & specify which area you would like to volunteer. SBTC will contact you with locations/needs. Upon arrival, you will receive a briefing/short training at the ministry location. Tools/supplies will be provided at the ministry location. SBTC will also provide guidance on where volunteers will lodge/shower/eat (either at a partner church in the area or at individual church members' homes). * All volunteers must be 18+ yrs old. Any minors should be redirected to NAMB's SEND relief ministries.

Certified DR volunteers: Required to be 18+ yrs old, in good standing as a member of a Southern Baptist church, background check (done online), watch short training videos & must commit to a minimum of seven days volunteering.

For more information: <u>http://sbtexas.com/evangelism/disaster-relief/hurricane-harvey-dr-information/</u>

<u>NAMB/SEND RELIEF</u>: Command Centers: FBC Galveston, Bayou Fellowship of Cypress, Bayou Fellowship Spring Branch Houston, Spring Baptist Church

Group leaders of volunteer teams must register first at <u>www.sendrelief.net</u>. NAMB will email further registration info to other volunteers in the group, including the name of the host church where you'll be staying, directions to the church and a list of recommended items to bring w/you (including tools). All volunteers must undergo a background check (no cost to volunteer). Men/women will sleep in separate quarters on provided cots.

Volunteers must be at least 14 yrs old, but anyone under 18 must have one 21+ chaperone per every 5 minors.

For further questions speak with Bruce Lee / NAMB: (770) 410-6122. Or to speak directly with a White Hat leader on the ground in Spring, TX, Dan Fuller: 580-574-1901.

** The last remaining White Hat training to be held at Spring Baptist Church will happen this Saturday September 30 from 9am – 11am in the Echo building @ Spring Baptist Church. Anyone interested in attending can access registration through this link: <u>https://springbaptist.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/90/responses/new</u>