



Tennessee Disaster Relief

Hurricane Helene 2024

A Word from Tennessee Baptist Disaster Relief:

"Many individuals & churches have called & asked what they can do to assist with the needs in times of need like we are now experiencing.

Cash & gift cards are the best way to help.

Gift cards are much easier to use to meet specific needs of a family. (Donations policy can be found on the www.tndisasterrelief.org page.)

However, we know that some want to help in a tangible way. Therefore, the following is a list of goods that will be accepted (locations TBD) for transport to the affected areas. There are two lists attached. Many times in the immediate aftermath of an event, towns are flooded with immediate response items. I encourage you to look not just in the short term, but also the long term and the needs that arise when people are trying to set themselves up in new housing accommodations. **Please consider long term needs and not just immediate needs."**

Contact

First consider reaching out to the CBA via email (media@cbalive.org) so as to not overwhelm the MMC with communication.

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Emergency Immediate Aftermath Donations

– DO NOT DONATE ITEMS THAT ARE NOT LISTED BELOW –

From TBDR:

“Immediate Aftermath” items are usually needed in the weeks to a month after a storm. After that, please focus on the “Long Term” needs as people set up their homes again.

Clean-Up Supplies

- Box knives
- Hammers
- Flat pry bars
- Flat shovels
- Tyvek suits
- Wheelbarrows
- Rubber gloves
- Floor squeegees
- Wheelbarrows
- Large heavy-duty garbage bags
- Hoses
- Mosquito repellent
- Cleaning supplies
- Mops, brooms, buckets, squeegees
- Scoop shovels, rakes
- Safety glasses
- Leather gloves
- Long rubber gloves
- Mechanic type gloves
- Box knives
- Small scrub brushes
- Box fans
- Scoop shovels
- Push brooms

Paper Products

- Toilet paper
- Paper towels

Personal Care Items

- Laundry detergent, fabric softener
- Dryer sheets
- Shampoo, conditioner, body wash, soap
- Deodorant, anti-perspirant
- Toothpaste, toothbrushes
- Feminine hygiene products
- Baby wipes
- Diapers
- Adult diapers
- Suntan Lotion SPF 30 or higher
- New hairbrushes

Perishable Items

All perishable items must be within the date and not expired.

- Baby formula/baby – Must be within date
- Gatorade/Powerade
- Individually wrapped snack foods with long-shelf life (no expired food)
- Food with long shelf life (no expired food)

Clothing

- New Underwear & bras
(All sizes in original package)
- New Socks in all sizes
- New shoes, sneakers, slippers, and sandals
- New Adult clothing
- New baby clothing
- New children’s clothing

Miscellaneous

- Gift cards

– NO USED CLOTHING –

We will not accept used clothing.

Disaster Long-Term Recovery Donations

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From TBDR:

At the beginning of a disaster many people flock to meet the immediate need of those affected. Often towns are overrun with donations & must spend time/manpower finding places to put everything & manage the flow of goods. But think also about what people would need to go back in and set up a house. Think about when you moved into your first home or got married, what were the things that you needed to fill out your home? That said, I want to suggest the following types of new items for you to consider:

Kitchen Setup Kits

- Pots and Pan set
- Skillet
- Silverware set 4 or 8 place settings
- Dishes set 4 or 8 place settings
- Drinking cups
- Coffee cups
- Knives
- Potato peeler
- Pizza cutter
- Spatulas
- Serving spoons/utensils
- Dish Towels
- Dish Cloths
- Potholders/glove
- Small hand mixers
- Mixing bowls
- Serving bowls
- Pyrex dishes
- Storage dishes for Refrigerator
- Coffee makers???
- Cookie sheets
- Pizza sheets
- Can openers

Bath Essentials

- Bath Towel, Hand Towel & Washcloth sets
- Bathmat sets

Bedroom Essentials

- Sheet sets
 - o King
 - o Queen
 - o Double
 - o Single
- Blankets
- Comforter Sets
- Wall clocks

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Miscellaneous

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