

PRESS RELEASE



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Hearts With Hands Disaster Relief Responds to Louisiana Following Devastating Category 4

Hurricane Laura made U.S. Landfall 8/27/20

Swannanoa, NC, August 31, 2020: 8:00 PM EST. || Hearts With Hands sent two more tractor trailer loads and a box truck of supplies to meet the team in Lake Charles, LA. Since arriving in Louisiana on Saturday, August 29, we have been able to distribute water, food boxes “Box of Hope”, hygiene kits, cleaning supplies, pet food, paper products, baby diapers/wipes and more! Saturday we provided supplies in West Monroe, LA as well as Lake Charles. Over the weekend, we have served over 1,000 families via distribution at Trinity Baptist in Lake Charles, Louisiana, Temple Baptist in DeQuincy, Louisiana, Destiny Church in Orange County, Texas, and other locations as well. We would like to thank the 35 volunteers who came to the warehouse Sunday evening! They helped us get 1,200 Boxes of Hope and 400+ hygiene kits ready for this load that left today. We also want to thank Scott Haynie Trucking, Logan Haynie, Sheriff Harwood of Madison County, AND Michael and Tubby of Franklin, NC for driving and donating their time and truck’s to pull these two loads. We are so appreciative of our community support! We are in need of items! Please reference our website heartswithhands.org for the most needed items. Thank you!

Swannanoa, NC, August 29, 2020: 10:00 AM EST. || Hearts With Hands Disaster Relief non-profit organization arrived early this morning in West Monroe, LA. We have transported our first tractor trailer load of supplies for the state of Louisiana. This first load of supplies includes water, Box of Hope non-perishable food boxes, hygiene kits, paper products, baby supplies, cleaning supplies and more. We are currently stationed at White’s Ferry Road Church (3201 N 7th Street, West Monroe, LA 71291). Field Director, Donald Jennings is on site in Lake Charles, LA assessing the situation. When given the ok that it is safe to do so, we plan to set up at Trinity Baptist Church (1800 Country Club Road, Lake Charles, LA 70605).

You can sponsor a Box of Hope for \$20 per box. Any donation amount is appreciated. Donations can be made online at heartswithhands.org/donate; By mailing a check to PO Box 6444, Asheville, NC 28816; Calling the office at 828-667-1912.

Immediate needs are hygiene related items: toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, etc. In kind donations can be dropped off at our warehouse (850 Warren Wilson Road, Swannanoa, NC 28778). If you are not local to western NC, our amazon wish list is a quick and easy way to donate <https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2UKMW1AKLN9QJ?&sort=default>.

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Facebook video update from HWH Director, Greg Lentz: <https://www.facebook.com/HeartsWithHands/videos/340545577319868>

Hearts With Hands was founded following Hurricane Andrew in 1992 by Dr. Ralph Sexton, Jr. in Asheville, North Carolina. Hearts With Hands is currently directed by Evangelist Greg Lentz (Greg Lentz Ministries) and is a Christian, nondenominational, humanitarian, non-profit 501 (c) 3 charitable organization. Hearts With Hands provides physical, spiritual, medical, economic and other necessary aid to victims of poverty, natural disaster, or famine. "But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" 1 John 3:17