



INFORMATION FOR PASTORS AND PARISHES REGARDING HURRICANE IDA

Catholic Charities of Acadiana is currently working to assess the devastation from Hurricane Ida, working in coordination with our statewide Catholic Charities partners as well as our local disaster response partners from the Acadiana VOAD (Acadiana Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster).

Catholic Charities of Acadiana is deploying staff, assets, volunteer teams and other resources to directly support the most affected areas in South Louisiana.

We are asking the community to assist Catholic Charities of Acadiana in our disaster response by either making a monetary donation or shopping on our disaster Amazon shopping list; Your timely contributions will be used to provide essential relief, as well as assisting in the long term recovery process.

Here are four concrete ways parishes and the faithful can assist in our disaster response:

- Make a monetary gift to assist in disaster relief. Text RELIEF to 797979 or click here: <https://give.classy.org/disaster>
- Purchase in-kind donations to assist in our local disaster response teams through our disaster response Amazon Wishlist: <https://bit.ly/CCADisasterAmazon>
- Pre-register as a disaster relief volunteer: <https://bit.ly/CCAdisastervols>
- Volunteer your time for disaster food preparation through St. Joseph Diner: <http://catholiccharitiesacadiana.org/volunteer-calendar>

Additionally, Catholic Charities of Acadiana is already working with state and local government to collect damage assessments; this will expedite federal declarations as well as map out homes in need of assistance to match with volunteer groups trained in disaster response.

Individuals within the Acadiana area who have been affected should text DISASTER to 797979 or [click here](#) to complete a damage assessment form for the Acadiana Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (AVOAD). This is only to be used for those who have sustained damages. For all other needs, residents should call 232-HELP / Louisiana 211.

Individuals who have been affected within the Houma / Thibodeaux area, [click here to report damages](#).

Catholic Charities of Acadiana is looking for willing individuals and/or groups from churches, schools, and other civic organizations to pre-register in order to be deployed once our disaster response begins. Catholic Charities of Acadiana is in need of individuals for the following jobs:

- Data Collection / Call Center
- Tarp Teams
- Damage Assessment
- Muck Out / Clean Up
- Debris Removal & Chainsaw Crew
- Food Service Team Member

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