



November 17, 2019

Mission Trip Opportunities in Florida

\$5,000 seed grants from UCC Disaster Ministries will go toward costs for four Hurricane Michael long-term recovery groups in the Florida Panhandle. UCC Disaster Ministries is also supporting recovery in Bay and Washington counties, Fla., including with recruitment of volunteer work teams.

Community-based LTRGs help guide disaster survivors through recovery, including mobilizing resources such as FEMA and SBA grants, insurance payouts and personal financial resources. LTRG case managers look for the unmet needs, prioritizing the most vulnerable survivors, including elderly and disabled residents. Other functions include fundraising, construction and volunteer management, with the goal of stretching resources to help as many people as possible recover.



"Many residents still have blue-tarped roofs that leak when it rains," reported Liberty Strong. "Still others are struggling to feed and clothe their families while trying to pay for repairs to their homes." Hurricane Michael made landfall as a Category 5 storm Oct. 10, 2018, northwest of Mexico Beach, the most powerful hurricane on record to hit the Florida Panhandle.

Needs include repairing and rebuilding homes - along with spiritual or mental health services, especially for those whose homes have been completely destroyed and are still in need of suitable housing.

For more volunteer information in the Florida Panhandle, use the following link.

https://www.ucc.org/disaster_recovery_florida_panhandle



2019 Fall Meeting **TODAY!!**

It is **NOT** too late to represent your church!

Walk-ins Welcome!!

@ Ursinus College—Bomberger Hall

2:30 pm Registration / 3:00 pm Meeting



Alert Lockdown Inform Counter Evacuate

During the winter of 2020, PSEC will again be offering two opportunities for churches to obtain ALICE Training!

- Saturday, February 22nd @ Zion Blue Mountain UCC in Strausstown
- Saturday, March 7th @ First UCC in Quakertown

Watch for registration to open for these events in early January! We will limit 2 people per church so as many churches as possible can participate!