

Hurricane Harvey relief efforts:

Mon, Aug 28, 2017

#HurricaneHarvey relief update from [Feeding Texas](#) CEO, Celia Cole:

Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley was not affected by Hurricane Harvey and is in contact with Food Bank of Corpus Christi and Food Bank of the Golden Crescent in Victoria to see how they can help.

Food Bank of Corpus Christi - opened today. Their facility received some damage...some roof leaks, water in the warehouse and refrigeration problems, but they are operational. Shelter response: No shelter report requests at this time

Food Bank of the Golden Crescent most of their staff evacuated or was unable (to make it to work) today, so Robin staffed the food bank. The food bank is without electricity and running on a backup generator. Shelter response: Responding to request to feed 230 people at a American Red Cross shelter in Cuero

Houston Food Bank closed early yesterday so that their staff could safely get home. They were unable to get back to the food bank due to the flooding in Houston. Shelter response: There is 1 person staying at the food bank to support city and county shelters today, via a high water vehicle provided by the city.

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Hurricane Harvey Aftermath Updates:

The best way you can help a southeast Texas food bank, in the aftermath of #HurricaneHarvey, is to donate financially.

We encourage you to call the office 806.374.8562, to offer a credit card donation by phone, so it can be appropriately marked "Disaster Relief/Hurricane Harvey." 100% of the gift will be given to southeast Texas food banks in need (as we continue to take our lead from [Feeding Texas](#)). These food banks serve as central clearing houses for hundreds of food pantries, churches, soup kitchens, and other feeding partners.

Community members can also mail a gift or come by the office at 815 Ross Street in Amarillo, 79102 and mark their gift as disaster recovery. *No admin fees will be taken out of disaster relief gifts.

We also encourage community members to help by going directly to a southeast Texas food bank and donating financially through their website.

How can I pitch in?

Contact the closest food bank listed below to find out how you can effectively volunteer or donate following the disaster. Consider donating money instead of food, as this can be done from the safety of your home and will avoid the complications of sorting and distributing varied food items.

If you wish to give food, our food banks will be seeking ready-to-eat staples like pop-top meat / fish, powdered milk, cereal, canned fruit, fruit cups, peanut butter and jelly. Cleaning supplies such as bleach and paper towels will also be accepted. In addition to donating at food bank facilities, local grocers may provide collection points for donations.

Likely affected food banks:

Houston Food Bank

(713) 547-8602

www.houstonfoodbank.org

Galveston Food Bank

(409) 945-4232

www.galvestoncountyfoodbank.org

Food Bank of the Golden Crescent (Victoria)

(361) 578-0591

www.victoriafoodbank.org

Closed Friday

Corpus Christi Food Bank

(361) 887-6291

www.foodbankcc.com

Southeast Texas Food Bank (Beaumont)

(409) 839-8777

www.setxfoodbank.org

Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley (Pharr)

956-682-8101

www.foodbankrgv.com

Brazos Valley Food Bank (Bryan)

(979) 779-3663

www.bvfb.org

Central Texas Food Bank (Austin)

(512) 282-2111

www.centraltexasfoodbank.org

San Antonio Food Bank

(210) 337-3663

www.safoodbank.org