

Saturday, May 20 & Sunday, May 21, 2017
East Texas Disaster Relief Deployment
Volunteer Supply List and other Information

Thank you so much for volunteering and helping the Holy Cow Smokers (HCS) Disaster Relief Ministry and Lamb of God Lutheran Church continue to be “**L**oving, **O**utreaching, and **G**rowing in Jesus Christ”!

The following information will help you prepare for a wonderful, safe, fulfilling, and meaningful deployment.

1. Pray for survivors, volunteers, and our supporters.
2. Listen to people affected by the disaster. Part of their healing process is to tell their story.
3. Be flexible.
4. Drink plenty of liquids.
5. **BE SAFE** and have fun helping your brothers and sisters in Christ!

Meals (lunch only) will be provided for all our volunteers.

All volunteers should bring:

- Completed medical information form
- Comfortable, clean clothing
- Personal Items
- Hat (all food handlers must wear a hat, hair net, or head cover to comply with health code)
- Sunglasses
- Foldable Chair
- Snacks
- Drinks (water will be provided)

Debris cleanup volunteers should bring all of the above and:

- Work Boots
- Safety Glasses
- Work Gloves
- Long Pants
- Small hand tools (wheelbarrow, rakes, shovels, pry bar, hammer, etc.)

Chainsaw volunteers should bring all of the above and:

- Chainsaw with sharp chain
- Extra sharpened chains
- Bar and chain oil and premixed fuel
- Chainsaw tools
- Chainsaw chaps
- Steel Toed Boots
- Hard Hat
- Face Shield
- Hearing Protection

The majority of our efforts will be in serving BBQ meals to affected residents and volunteers in the area however; (depending on volunteer numbers) there are opportunities to assist with debris cleanup and/or chainsaw work.

Volunteers wanting to operate a chainsaw must be 18 years of age or older. Volunteers assisting in the field for debris cleanup must be at least 16 years old.

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There are no age restrictions for meal preparation and distribution volunteers. Any volunteer under 18 years old must have a parent or guardian present during the work day.

Meal preparation will take place at the HCS headquarters. **The address for HCS headquarters is 630 TX-19, Canton, TX under the "Original Pavilion" at the First Monday Trade Days grounds.** Meals will be distributed via drive up at headquarters and delivered to survivors and volunteers out in the community.

There will be a substantial need for drivers, vans, SUV's, and pickups to help distribute the meals in the community. The disaster area is up 1 mile wide by 55 miles long.

Schedule for work days is as follows:

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Cleanup and Chainsaw volunteers only

8:30 am Arrive at HCS headquarters, register, and receive work orders. You may work as long as you like or until the work is complete.

Meal preparation and distribution and spiritual care volunteers

9:00 am Meet at HCS headquarters. Turn in your completed medical release form and sign the volunteer log. Once signed in, assist setting up meal preparation lines and supplies.

10:00 am to 11:00 am Prepare meals for distribution.

11:00 am to 1:00 pm Serve and distribute meals.

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm Break down meal service and load equipment into trailers and trucks.

2:00 pm to dusk Head home or stay and help with debris cleanup and chainsaw work if desired.

If you have any questions please contact me at (817) 946-6735 or holycowsmokers@log.org Register to volunteer at www.log.org

Thank you,

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