

Available Resources in Disaster Response and Recovery (Domestic)

- ✓ **Solidarity Grants for early response efforts within the impacted community**
 - **Amount:** \$3,000 Max per response/community.
 - **Eligibility:** UCC Congregations and UCC Conferences.
 - **Availability:** Available in most disasters.
 - **Process:** E-mail completed Solidarity Grant Application to UCC Disaster Ministries ensuring compliance with the grant guidelines.
- ✓ **Church World Service Kits (CWS) (Clean up Buckets, School Kits, Hygiene Kits)**
 - **Amount:** Dependent upon need, availability and requested number of kits.
 - **Eligibility:** UCC Congregations and UCC Conferences.
 - **Process:** Fill out the blanket/kit request form and email completed form to Digna Bautista dbautista@cwsglobal.org
- ✓ **Disaster Recovery Support Team Deployment and Support**
 - **Eligibility:** Any community recently impacted by a disaster that anticipates unmet needs and is interested in support to develop a local Long-Term Recovery Group.
 - **Availability:** Limited basis.
 - **Process:** E-mail request to UCC Disaster Ministries.
- ✓ **Long-Term Recovery Seed Grants to support early development of Long-Term Recovery Groups (LTRG)**
 - **Amount:** \$5,000 Max per LTRG.
 - **Eligibility:** Any LTRG with limited resources and the need to fill gaps with unrestricted funds
 - **Availability:** Available in most instances but dependent upon donations
 - **Process:** E-mail completed LTRG Grant Application to UCC Disaster Ministries ensuring compliance with grant guidelines and reporting requirements.
- ✓ **Recovery Grants to support UCC Conference lead recovery efforts**
 - **Amount:** Up to \$7,000 Initial Grant. Max Grant amount dependent upon need and level of UCC Conference engagement and successfully meeting implementation and reporting requirements.
 - **Availability:** Available in most instances but dependent upon donations.
 - **Eligibility:** Any UCC Conference engaged in long-term recovery.
 - **Process:** Schedule a time to discuss the recovery efforts with UCC Disaster Ministries and e-mail completed Recovery Grant Application to UCC Disaster Ministries ensuring compliance with grant guidelines and reporting requirements.
- ✓ **Tools and Tool trailers**
 - **Eligibility:** UCC Conferences responding to disaster.
 - **Availability:** Limited: Several UCC Conferences have tool trailers of various types, reconstruction work and/or clean-up/muck out work.
 - **Process:** Send an e-mail request through the CDC network requesting use of tools.

- ✓ **Long Term Volunteers supporting Long-Term Recovery efforts**
 - **Eligibility:** UCC Conferences working with LTRGs to support local recovery.
 - **Availability:** Limited, on a case by case basis, to volunteers that received training through UCC Disaster Ministries in basic disaster recovery, volunteer management and construction management.
 - **Length of Service:** typically 1-3 months per volunteer (longer in some instances)
 - **Requirements:**
 - Housing: An independent room with a bed and access to a kitchen, bathroom and shower.
 - Stipend: For food and personal expenses (can typically be covered by UCC Disaster Ministries).
 - Transportation: Use of a conference's or congregation's vehicle for disaster related work OR mileage reimbursement for use of a personal vehicle (can typically be covered by UCC Disaster Ministries).
 - **Process:** Contact UCC Disaster Ministries with request and discuss need.
- ✓ **Volunteer Work Teams from outside the conference to support long-term recovery**
 - **Eligibility:** UCC Conference working with LTRGs to support local recovery.
 - **Availability:** Limited to work teams that have responded to the request for teams from UCC Disaster Ministries.
 - **Requirements:**
 - A functional LTRG with vetted clients and cases of unmet need, identified, funded (materials) and ready for volunteer support.
 - Information and pictures about the need for work teams, type of work, age limits, cost, etc.
 - Housing for work teams including beds (cots, etc.), access to a kitchen, bathrooms and shower.
 - Active local construction management to assist teams with scope of work, material acquisition and site supervision.
 - Tools for the type of work being done.
 - **Process:** Contact UCC Disaster Ministries with request and discuss need.
- ✓ **Trauma Retreats for Pastors and Conf. Staff (Emotional and Spiritual Care after Disaster)**
 - **Eligibility:** UCC Conferences.
 - **Availability:** Limited based on resources and scheduling of workshop/retreat leadership.
 - **Requirements:**
 - Cost share with the conference (negotiable) e.g. UCC Disaster Ministries pays for workshop leaders and venue costs, Conference supports travel for pastors.
 - Conference identifies location of event/ appropriate venue.
 - Conference advertises event.
 - Conference coordinates registrations and all logistics of event planning.
 - **Process:** Contact UCC Disaster Ministries with request.