



Our hearts go out to those facing the effects of Hurricane Florence; we are all too familiar with the devastation wrought by a storm, and hope their recovery will be swift and complete.

In order to facilitate that recovery, several community foundations in the Carolinas and one in Florida are poised to help those in greatest need:

- Grants from the Foundation for the Carolinas [Hurricane Florence Response Fund](#) will be distributed to areas of greatest need once the full impact of the storm is realized.
- The North Carolina Community Foundation reactivated its [Disaster Relief Fund](#) to help North Carolinians. All funds raised will go directly to nonprofits serving the needs of local individuals and communities in North Carolina's impacted areas.
- The Central Carolina Community Foundation [One SC Fund](#), established after the 2015 Thousand Year Flood, helps South Carolinians recovering from state-declared emergencies.
- Coastal Community Foundation of South Carolina's [Disaster Relief Fund](#) will support immediate and long-term recovery for northern South Carolina counties and affected areas in North Carolina.
- Donations to the [Community Foundation of Collier County Hurricane Florence Relief Fund](#) will support recovery efforts in the aftermath of the storm.

Here are some guidelines for those of you who wish to "pay it forward" to those in need at this time.

If you are a GHCF donor, please log in to Donor Xpress to recommend a grant to the nonprofit of your choice. If you need assistance in recommending a grant, please contact our Donor Services Department at donorservices@ghcf.org.

If you are not a GHCF donor, please follow the above links to make a donation directly to the Community Foundations that maintain those disaster funds.

Like the Greater Houston Community Foundation, these and other community foundations are wise and powerful choices for disaster giving. Community Foundations know their communities, have clear processes for vetting organizations, and are invested not just in the immediate response, but also in the long-term recovery of areas affected by disasters.

We stand with the Carolinas. #CarolinaStrong