



## MARTIN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION DISASTER RELIEF FUND

The Martin County Community Foundation has established a Disaster Relief Fund. This fund will be a vehicle that will allow donors to direct their gifts to specific areas of critical need following a disaster.

At the current time, local social service agencies are reporting some structural damage, primarily roof related. Many are reporting that our local working poor are beginning to feel the financial stress from lost wages and expenses related to recovery from storm damage. Treasure Coast communities are also preparing for displaced residents from other areas, like the lower Keys and Key West, who are now being placed in our local hotels and motels. The Community Foundation is working closely with various partners to assess the needs of our local charities and residents.

We recognize that as we work toward recovery here at home our support is also needed for neighboring counties and states. Martin County Community Foundation is equipped to facilitate contributions throughout the Treasure Coast, across the state, and around the nation. Through our network of Community Foundations across the country we can ascertain the most pressing and urgent needs in other challenged areas. Their teams are providing our Community Foundation with valuable insight regarding organizations and institutions that are leading recovery efforts on all fronts.

If you are interested in assisting local charities and citizens rebound from this weather event or would like to make a gift to support recovery in another area such as the earthquake zone in Mexico or the most recent hurricane to hit Puerto Rico, please contact the Martin County Community Foundation. The Disaster Relief Fund may be used for any such disaster. The Foundation will not assess any fees for any gifts processed through the Disaster Relief Fund. Foundation staff are also available to provide advice to donors who elect to make gifts directly to those areas and charities that were hit the hardest.

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