WVU Coordinates Efforts to assist in Northern WV Flood Relief

As many are aware, Governor Jim Justice has placed eight WV counties under a state of emergency after severe flooding occurred late Friday night and early Saturday morning. Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Marion, Monongalia, Harrison, Taylor and Tucker Counties were affected. At least 27 homes were lost and over 200 have been damaged, in addition to other areas.

WVU is working with emergency response authorities and local communities as part of a coordinated response. The Center for Service and Learning together with The VISTA Collaborative at WVU have coordinated campus efforts to receive monetary donations, establish a collection site for of needed items and organizing volunteer teams to travel to assist with mucking out damaged homes.

DONATIONS

WVU will host a donation drive for supplies Monday, July 31st through Wednesday, August 2nd. Donations may be dropped off at Stansbury Hall on Beechurst Avenue, directly across from the PRT station, at the door on the left side (Area 11 parking area) during the following times:

Monday 7/31-- 4:00-7:00pm Tuesday 8/1-- 8:00am-7:00pm Wednesday 8/2-- 8:00am-7:00pm

A list of supplies needed is as follows (Please, NO clothing or items not listed):

- N95 respirator masks
- disinfectant wipes
- rags
- water (individual bottles both regular sized and tiny)
- dehumidifiers
- fans
- brooms
- squeegees
- heavy duty rubber gloves
- heavy duty garbage bags
- monetary donations

VOLUNTEER

Volunteers are needed to assist with donation collection on campus and to travel to affected counties to assist with administrative tasks as well as the muck-out and clean-up of homes and businesses. These opportunities are open to WVU Faculty, Staff and Students, as well as WVU Foundation and WVU Medicine employees. For more information or to sign-up, visit the Northern WV Flood Relief page in iServe. (https://tinyurl.com/WVUFloodRelief17)

UPDATES/MORE INFORMATION

For updates or more information, visit <u>http://service.wvu.edu/about/special-projects/dollars-for-disaster</u>.