



## Hurricane Harvey Status update - Bulletin no: 3

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Sewa volunteers bringing the supplies



Cleaning and fixing of flooded home

Hurricane Harvey slammed Greater Houston, causing catastrophic flooding. FEMA Director Brock Long called it the worst disaster in Texas history, and expects the recovery to take many years.

Sewa International mobilized over 800 volunteers for critical 'rescue effort' which has now turned into 'relief efforts.' Sewa mobilized boats, trucks, and automobiles to rescue people directly working shoulder-to-shoulder with the Coast Guard.

Sewa volunteers are serving hot meals; and are currently helping with cleaning efforts for underserved minorities such as Hispanic, African-American, and Senior Citizen and single parent households. Sewa mobilized 10 truck loads of material to support the affected families. While FEMA is providing financial assistance, however it only covers partial cost of cleanup and recovery. Families will have to chip in significant amount of money and it will take months and years to rebuild their lives.

This tragic situation gives all of us an opportunity to truly give back to the society that has provided us with such great opportunities.

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If you are in the board of an organization or community group, please extend your support by partnering with Sewa International.

Below link provides the names and logos of several organizations who have come forward to partner with Sewa for relief and rehabilitation efforts.

### [Sewa International Partners](#)

Feel free to reach me for further information on partnership.

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People Rescued  
Students, Houstonians,  
Senior Citizens



23,100

Volunteer  
hours



1,000

Meals served  
Daily



1,000

Target for cleanup  
of Flooded Houses

