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**Midwest Food Bank**

## **MIDWEST FOOD BANK RESPONDING TO HURRICANE IDA**

Midwest Food Bank is working to respond to Hurricane Ida impacting Louisiana and Mississippi. Loads of Disaster Relief for have already been requested by The Salvation Army.

Two semi loads of family food boxes will be leaving Midwest Food Bank Bloomington-Normal tonight or tomorrow headed for the New Orleans area. Loads are being prepared in anticipation of more requests. There will be volunteer opportunities for the Bloomington-Normal community as Disaster Relief boxes will be assembled this week.

Family food boxes have enough shelf-stable food to feed a family of four for four to five days. As a Salvation Army First Responder, Midwest Food Bank can have relief on the road within 24 hours of a call.

Midwest Food Bank is also partnering with Somebody Cares to provide a semi-truck load of cleaning supplies including bleach, gloves, rags, shop towels and other supplies to support clean-up efforts from the flooding and destruction caused by Hurricane Ida.

"We are prepared to support the ongoing need for Disaster Relief food & supplies," says Mike Hoffman, Logistics Director of Midwest Food Bank. "MFB anticipate additional loads to Louisiana and Mississippi in the coming week."

For those who wish to help, financial donations give Midwest Food Bank the flexibility to respond to the needs of the victims quickly and efficiently. To help cover the cost of the supplies or fuel needed to transport them, visit [midwestfoodbank.org](http://midwestfoodbank.org), and click on "Donate." On the donation form, select "Disaster Relief" for the designation, or text @MFB to 52014 to donate.

Midwest Food Bank has 12 locations, including 10 in the U.S. and one each in East Africa and Haiti. For more information about Midwest Food Bank (of MFB Location), please visit their website at [midwestfoodbank.org](http://midwestfoodbank.org).

*Midwest Food Bank ("MFB") is a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) charity. As a faith-based organization, it is the mission of Midwest Food Bank to share the love of Christ by alleviating hunger and malnutrition locally and throughout the world and providing disaster relief; all without discrimination. Our vision is to provide industry-leading food relief to those in need while feeding them spiritually.*