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MIDWEST FOOD BANK CONTINUES TO HELP TO HURRUCANE IDA VICTIMS

Midwest Food Bank (MFB) has sent ten loads of Disaster Relief to areas hard-hit by Hurricane Ida. Another eight loads will leave this week, and loads are already planned for next week. A majority of loads are family food boxes, but loads of water and cleaning supplies have been sent, as well.

Semi loads of relief have been sent to Bourg, New Orleans, and Schriever, LA, and Beaumont, TX. MFB is also assisting Ida victims in the northeast, with loads sent to West Nyack, NY, and Philadelphia, PA.

Relief for the August 14 earthquake and Hurricane Ida is also being sent to Haiti. Midwest Food Bank has scheduled two sea containers of food to be sent in the next two weeks. They are also working with Agape Flights located in Venice, Florida, to have relief flown to the country.

Midwest Food Bank is a First Responder for The Salvation Army in providing Disaster Relief. Upon receiving a call, MFB can have Disaster Relief on the road within 24 hours. The Salvation Army receives and distributes the relief items in partnership with MFB.

Family food boxes have enough shelf-stable food to feed a family of four for four to five days. They are assembled, filled, and driven to disaster locations by MFB volunteers

"This will be a long-term effort; the need is great," says Mike Hoffman, Logistics Director of Midwest Food Bank. "MFB is sharing the love of Christ by continuing to provide relief in the coming weeks."

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 <u>midwestfoodbank.org</u>, and click on "Donate." On the donation form, select "Disaster Relief" for the designation.

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 <u>midwestfoodbank.org</u>.

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.