



United Church of Christ

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PNEC Disaster Ministries

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“Let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.” 1 John 3:18

United Church of Christ Disaster Ministries is opening a volunteer work site in Port Arthur, Texas in early February. A partnership with Southeast Texas Community Development Corporation (SET CDC) has made this possible. The UCC has typically tried to serve the unserved communities after a disaster. In Port Arthur, FEMA provided significant assistance to families affected by Hurricane Harvey who were homeowners. The UCC partnership with SET CDC will provide help for apartments affected by the hurricane so that renters can get back to safe housing. The work that volunteers may be asked to do could include painting, flooring, light carpentry, drywall, insulation, and more. There is no cost for volunteers to stay in a newly renovated, large house in Beaumont, Texas for the week they volunteer. Volunteer weeks run from Sunday until Saturday morning. Kitchen facilities are available for volunteers to use to cook meals. There are also restaurants nearby. Beds/cots are available and volunteers would need to bring their own bedding. Groups that would like to take youth (16 and older) would be required to have a 1 adult to 4 youth ratio. Disaster ministries t-shirts will be given to volunteers!

The PNEC tool trailers are scheduled to arrive on site in Port Arthur, Texas in the beginning of February. The tools will be helpful to all the volunteers that answer the call to help our neighbors in Texas.

Would your mission team like to schedule a week of volunteering at this new site in Texas?

For more information about a mission trip to Texas or to sign up your group for this opportunity to help, please go to:

www.ucc.org/disaster_ucc_opening_new_harvey_worksite_in_port_arthur_tx



If you cannot physically go to help in Port Arthur, Texas you can still be a part of the disaster recovery. When you give monetary donations to the UCC Disaster Ministries through One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) 100 % of the funds received that are designated for disaster relief go to disaster relief. Your donation dollars really help those affected by the recent disasters!



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