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## How to Help Victims of Natural Disasters

There are a number of organizations that provide relief services and supplies to victims of natural disasters, whenever and wherever they strike. Here is a list some of those organizations. As always, research organizations before donating. Agencies that have specifically noted on their website that they are currently providing assistance to the victims of Hurricanes Helene and Milton are designated with an asterisk (\*)

\***Convoy of Hope** - “a faith-based, humanitarian organization whose driving passion to feed the world delivers hope where it's needed most.” <https://convoyofhope.org/>

\***World Central Kitchen** - “provides fresh meals to those in need during crises.” [www.wck.org](http://www.wck.org)

\***Heart to Heart International** - “provides health care access in medically under-resourced communities and in disaster situations.” [www.hearttoheart.org](http://www.hearttoheart.org)

\***Direct Relief** - equips “doctors and nurses with lifesaving medical resources.” [directrelief.org](http://directrelief.org)

\***American Red Cross** - provides a variety of services when disasters strike [redcross.org](http://redcross.org)

\***Americares** - delivers "medicine, medical supplies and mental health support to those impacted by poverty and disaster" [americares.org](http://americares.org)

\***CARE** - “humanitarian organization fighting global poverty and world hunger by working alongside women and girls.” [care.org](http://care.org)

\***All Hands and Hearts** - addresses “the immediate and long-term needs of communities impacted by disasters” <https://give.allhandsandhearts.org/>

**The World Food Program** - uses food assistance to build a pathway to peace, stability and prosperity, for people recovering from conflict, disasters and the impact of climate change.” <https://www.wfpusa.org/programs/>

**Local agencies currently providing relief to victims of Hurricane Helene and Milton include:**

Asheville Humane Society <https://www.ashevillehumane.org/>

Mutual Aid Disaster Relief Inc. <https://mutualaiddisasterrelief.org/>

United Way of North Carolina <https://www.unitedwaync.org/>

Florida Disaster Fund <https://www.volunteerflorida.org/donatefdf/>

You can access information about them on Charity Navigator <https://www.charitynavigator.org/> or on their individual websites