

National Society of Professional Surveyors Foundation, Inc.

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State Society Executive Directors

Dear State Executive:

"HURRICANE HARVEY" TEXAS & LOUISIANA FLOODING WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The news about the tremendous flooding and wind damage in Texas is virtually 24 hours a day. President Trump has declared Texas a "Disaster Area" and as I write this, has just declared Louisiana a "Disaster Area". The torrential rains, already over 30" in many areas, with another 20" predicted, will not be over for several more days.

Many surveyors, their employees and their families will be the victims of this flooding! These surveyors will lose most of their furniture, appliances and clothing and their offices to the flood waters. Some will not be located in a FEMA designated flood zone and will have no flood insurance! Others will have flood insurance on the buildings but no contents!

I can tell you personally that being a flood victim is a devastating experience! I was wiped out in Super Storm Sandy. The effects of that flooding are still with me and the communities hit by that storm. There are still many abandoned homes and businesses four years after Sandy!

My point is that <u>Your Foundation needs donations!</u> We need money to replenish our Disaster Relief Fund and satisfy the claims that will be arriving from Texas and Louisiana! Our Disaster Relief fund is there to help our fellow professionals <u>(THAT MEANS YOU)</u> recover from floods, storms, tornados, fires and any other natural or manmade disaster. You never know when you are going to need help. I sure didn't!

Please be as generous as possible with your donations. I know that times are still difficult in some areas but send whatever you can afford. We will gratefully accept any donation you can make!

Send your donations to headquarters:

National Society of Professional Surveyors Foundation, Inc. 5119 Pegasus Drive Suite Q Frederick, MD 21704 Please mark Disaster Relief on your checks and remember we are a tax deductible 501 c3 organization.

Remember that the next check we send could be to one of your members!

Thank you for your anticipated generosity!

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