Relief Trip FAQs

1. **Do I need to bring my own food?** Meals and snacks will be provided on-site, but bring your own water bottle. You are welcome to bring your own food if you have dietary needs.

2. **What will I do when I get there?** You will receive an orientation that will include a description of the people you will be helping as well as any needed training. Your group may be divided into one or more job sites. Activities may include mucking out buildings and removing drywall, buckled floor boards and/or damaged insulation and ductwork. Work might also include floor and wall installation, roof repair and painting.

3. **Who can participate in relief trips?** All participants must be affiliated UNC staff, faculty or students. Persons under 18 years old must be accompanied by an adult and have authorization forms signed by a parent or guardian.

4. **How large will my group be?** Typical volunteer groups will range in size from 12 to 24 people.

5. **Are there any costs associated with the trip for me?** No cost is associated with volunteering. Donations are accepted for the University’s Disaster Relief Fund (010779).

6. **What time will we leave and return?** Trips will depart Chapel Hill at 7:30 a.m. and return by 6 p.m. We will wrap up at the worksite by 4 p.m. Departure locations will be determined on a per trip basis and shared with participants before each trip.

7. **What should I wear and/or bring?** All participants should wear close-toed shoes; boots are best, sturdy sneakers are fine. Shoes should be waterproof. Do not wear sandals or open-toed shoes. Wear clothes that can get dirty. The Carolina Center for Public Service will provide all volunteers with tools, gloves, masks and goggles. Avoid wearing or bringing valuables (jewelry, laptops, expensive cameras) and excess cash.

8. **Do I need to have special experience to volunteer?** No. You will receive necessary training upon arrival. Please let us know if you have specific skills to contribute.