



Dear AWWA NJ Colleagues,

Our Texas Colleagues, their families, first responders and all those affected by Hurricane Harvey are working through the aftermath of this epic storm. Many of us are looking for ways to best help.

AWWA CEO David Lafrance issued a statement this week in which he expresses our solidarity with those affected and how we can best help. Here is a portion of that statement:

With the weather event ongoing, we are still in the grips of the emergency. Emergency responders will continue their heroic work for many days to come, and the long-term recovery needs will come into focus. In the short-term, AWWA strongly encourages members wishing to help to consider financial donations to reputable emergency response organizations such as the [American Red Cross](#). (See [other assistance organizations](#)). [[David Lafrance's full AWWA Statement](#)]

Further, the State of Texas, on the [Texas Government Emergency Portal](#) has listed several organizations that are accepting donations.

If you wish to help our colleagues and those affected by Hurricane Harvey, we suggest making to donations to the recommended organizations in either David LaFrance's Statement or through the Texas Government Emergency Portal.

For more information on Hurricane Harvey, please visit the [AWWA Emergency Preparedness Resource Community](#) website.

Sincerely,

Nicole Wiley
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