



HURRICANE MICHAEL

Here in 2020, Floridians are still suffering more than we know and have been completely forgotten by the national media. Hurricane Michael broke multiple pressure and wind speed records as it tore into the panhandle on October 10, 2018 as the first-ever category 4 hurricane to hit the area. Its path of destruction amounted to an estimated \$14.5 billion in damage—so much of it still remains to be addressed.

Along the Panhandle, the cities of Mexico Beach and Panama City Beach suffered the worst of Michael from catastrophic storm surges that swept through. Many residents in this area could not afford insurance and were left on their own to fend for themselves. Forward Edge feels called to respond in these cities to provide help and hope.

This is where you come in! Regardless of the skills you have or don't have, together we can provide the free labor needed to clean up debris, gut homes, install new insulation and hang new sheet rock. The focus will be assisting the most vulnerable in Panama City Beach: the uninsured, widows, seniors, single moms, and low-income families. These individuals and families need hope. Teams will have the opportunity to pray, encourage, and work for those who have suffered so much.

FEI has more than 25 years of experience in disaster-recovery work, including long-term efforts after hurricanes Katrina, Sandy, Maria and the 2010 earthquake in Haiti. By God's grace, we were able to mobilize more than 3,000 volunteers from around the country to serve in the Gulf Coast after Katrina, and more than 1,000 to serve in Haiti.

As always, our plan will be to remain involved in the Michael recovery effort long after the first responders are gone and the media has moved on. We have the following resources in place:

- A strong partnership with The Ark – a Christian housing initiative.
- Connections to an ongoing list of projects and service opportunities.
- The tools and logistical infrastructure needed to respond effectively.

May the Lord bless our efforts together to help our fellow Americans in Florida!

2020 TRIP FEE

\$695 per person

if you drive to location

\$995 if you fly (since we then provide ground transportation)

IMPORTANT DATES

60 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE

\$200 per person Non-Refundable Deposit, Registration, Liability & Medical Release Forms Due

30 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE

Trip Fee Balance Due

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TRIP FEE INCLUDES

- Meals, lodging, ground transportation, and some project materials
- Secondary Medical Insurance
- Trained Forward Edge Facilitator
- Team Packs: T-shirt, manual, etc.
- Complete trip coordination provided by Forward Edge

TRIP FEE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Airfare or transportation to/from location
- Ground transportation for teams that drive to location
- Luggage fees
- Dining-out costs (the team will be going out to eat 3-4 times to support local business affected by the disaster, please bring \$100 in cash for this)

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATIONS

Teams will be staying at The Ark (a faith-based coffee shop with housing) located in Panama City Beach. Fully equipped with bunk beds, bathrooms and showers; team members are asked to bring their own bedding and towels. The team will also prepare their own meals in the fully-equipped kitchen.

PAYMENTS

A \$200 per person non-refundable deposit is due at the time of registration and is applied toward your trip fee. Pay at www.forwardedge.org (Pay Trip Fees) via debit/credit card, eCheck, or send a check made out to Forward Edge International. Contact us if we can assist. Please reference your team number on all correspondence.



PREPARATIONS

IMMUNIZATIONS: Forward Edge strongly recommends that each team member has a current tetanus shot. Please consult a personal physician for any other recommendations.

TEAM PACKS: Once team member registration is complete, FEI will send individualized team packs including a Forward Edge t-shirt, Team Member Manual, and other helpful information.