2017 HARVEY RELIEF UPDATE

The Chinese Community Center has played a leading role in helping those impacted by Hurricane Harvey, engaging in a wide array of activities throughout the community through our Harvey Relief Assistance Center. The update below shares our journey over the last five weeks.

Harvey Relief Assistance Center

Since opening on September 5, 2017, the Chinese Community Center’s Harvey Relief Assistance Center has served more than 211 families spanning 54 ZIP codes. Through individual case management and evaluation, CCC has been able to provide help to each family in the following ways:

- **Distribution of basic resources**, such as clothes, baby essentials, food, and water.
- **Assistance with enrolling in public benefits based on need**, including FEMA, SBA disaster loans, SNAP, WIC, Medicaid, and health insurance through the Marketplace.
- **Transportation assistance through Uber/Lyft or tow truck services** for people who have stalled vehicles or no transportation.
- **Childcare assistance** to families enrolled in CCC’s early childhood education program.
- **Emergency assistance** through VISA gift cards so that people from low- to moderate-income households can meet their urgent needs.
- **Rental assistance** for people who have become unemployed or displaced as a result of Harvey.
- **Case management services in Chinese, English, Korean, Spanish, and Vietnamese** to support diverse Houstonians with varying levels of English proficiency.

If you or someone you know has been impacted by Harvey and needs assistance, please contact our Harvey Relief Assistance Center at (713) 271-6100 x 225 or relief@ccchouston.org.
The Chinese Community Center was activated as a temporary American Red Cross shelter from September 17 through September 22. More than 200 evacuees from George R. Brown Convention Center were sheltered at CCC during that time before moving to a more permanent shelter. CCC has served as an American Red Cross Shelter to the community for the past several years.

Two suitcases from New York with Love

*from those who lived through Hurricane Sandy*

In October 2012, Hurricane Sandy wreaked havoc along the East Coast, impacting the lives of thousands and

Harvey Relief Fund Donors

CCC would like to thank the following donors who have directly impacted our organization’s Harvey Relief efforts:

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In the weeks following, CCC staff members held an internal campaign to gather donations of funds, clothes, and other essentials for Hurricane Sandy victims. CCC staff member Marta and her husband Dave brought two big suitcases to New York during Thanksgiving and the donations were distributed to those in need, including an elderly woman who lost her home and needed medical attention.

Five years later, the Chinese Community Center received a similar show of love and support from Hurricane Sandy victims. In the days following Hurricane Harvey’s arrival, our Center received two suitcases filled with new baby essentials, men’s and women’s clothing, shoes, and blankets, in addition to more than $800 in gift cards for victims in need. These donations were distributed immediately to victims, including families in our Early Learning Center who experienced flood damage. We would like to thank Steve and Susan Taylor, along with their friends in Rockaway Beach, New York, for their incredible generosity and for delivering these two suitcases to us as soon as they were able.

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HOPE FOR TEXAS HOMEOWNERS

Affected by Hurricane Harvey?
Are you in need of mortgage assistance?
Have mortgage or insurance questions regarding your property?

Mortgage companies, HUD-approved non-profit housing counselors, insurance companies and local partners are coming together to form Mortgage Assistance Centers to lead families down the road to recovery.

Families attending this event will be able to:

- Discuss options with their mortgage servicer
- Apply for assistance with a HUD-approved non-profit housing counselor
- Meet with local representatives that can provide resources and aid
- Receive education and awareness on recovery and rebuild

Free Events will be held at:

Humble Civic Center
8233 Will Clayton Pkwy, Humble, TX 77338
September 26\textsuperscript{th}, 27\textsuperscript{th}, 28\textsuperscript{th}
11am-8pm

Chinese Community Center
9800 Town Park Dr., Houston, TX 77036
October 3\textsuperscript{rd}, 4\textsuperscript{th}, 5\textsuperscript{th}
11am-8pm

What to Bring:
Photo ID – Information about your mortgage – Documentation of all income – All property insurance documents
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