

Press Release

MIDWEST FOOD BANK SENDING DISASTER RELIEF TO IOWA

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Midwest Food Bank is sending Disaster Relief to help victims of the derecho storm of Monday, August 10. The storm brought hurricane-force winds and did damage all across the state. Over a week later, more than 70,000 customers are still without power. An estimated one third of the state's crop land was destroyed or extensively damaged. Linn County where Cedar Rapids is located saw 90-110 mile per hour winds which lasted nearly 45 minutes.

As a first responder for The Salvation Army, Midwest Food Bank can have relief on the road within 24 hours of a request. A semi-load of Disaster Relief will leave for Cedar Rapids, IA, from Midwest Food Bank Bloomington-Normal tomorrow.

"We are thankful to be able to support our neighbors in Iowa," says Tara Ingham, Executive Director of Midwest Food Bank Bloomington-Normal. "Our hearts and prayers go out to them as they recover from this disaster."

For those who wish to help, Financial donations give Midwest Food Bank the flexibility to quickly and efficiently respond to the needs of the victims. To help cover the cost of the supplies or fuel needed to transport them, visit midwestfoodbank.org, and click on "Donate." On the donation form, select "Disaster Relief" for the designation, or text @MFB to 52014 to donate.

Midwest Food Bank has eleven locations, nine in the United States, and one each in East Africa and Haiti. Its mission is to share the love of Christ, by alleviating hunger and malnutrition locally and throughout the world and providing disaster relief; all without discrimination. For more information, go to midwestfood.org.

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