Press Release

**MIDWEST FOOD BANK**

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Normal, IL – Midwest Food Bank

Midwest Food Bank is responding to the first disaster relief call of 2019. At the request of The Salvation Army, two semi truck loads of supplies left the MFB Bloomington-Normal location early this afternoon, headed for Omaha, NE. The loads contain 1,000 clean-up kits, snacks, work gloves, and diapers. Clean-up kits are five-gallon plastic buckets filled with bleach, spray cleaner, garbage bags, paper towels, dust masks, scrub brushes, putty knives, cleaning wipes and work gloves.

Upon arrival in Omaha, the supplies will be sent out to Salvation Army locations throughout Nebraska. The clean-up kits are urgently needed, as flood waters are just now receding in some areas. The snacks will supply canteens that go into affected areas to feed those in need.

In addition to the supplies mentioned, five pallets of bleach will be delivered to Kansas City, MO. These will be distributed by The Salvation Army to flood locations in Nebraska and Iowa.

Midwest Food Bank is a first responder for The Salvation Army. Those who would like to help cover the cost of the supplies or the fuel needed to transport them may do so by visiting MidwestFoodBank.org, and clicking “Donate.” On the donation form, select “Disaster Relief” for the designation.

Midwest Food Bank has ten locations, eight 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.

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