

Community Relief Efforts for Friday, October 4, 2024

ESSENTIAL PHONE NUMBERS and WEBSITES

- 211 or www.211Virginia.org : Virginia Department of Social Services
 - Contact for basic human needs, Physical & mental health resources, Work initiatives, Support for seniors and those with disabilities, Support for children, youth and families, Disaster support services.
 - 511 or www.511Virginia.org: Check here for VDOT travel conditions
 - For all Emergencies: 911
 - For all non-emergencies call
 - Bland Co. Sheriff's Office: 276.688.4311
 - Wythe County: 276.223.4500
 - VDEM Crisis Cleanup: 1.844.965.1386
 - To Report AEP Power Outage: 1.800.956.4237
 - Wythe County Department of Social Services: 276.228.5493
 - Disaster Distress Mental Health Hotline: 800.985.5990
 - VDOT: To report road conditions www.myvdot.virginia.gov or 1.800.367.7623
 - Virginia Department of Emergency Management: <https://www.vaemergency.gov/>, Text DONATE to 247-211 to stay updated on the everchanging needs in SWVA
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Hot Meals

- **Ivanhoe Fire Department** – 10/4 from 12:00-2:00 pm
 - Provided by Sunny Hills Church & Wythe Community Works

Water, Supplies, & Non-Perishable Goods – Available for pickup. Contact each for availability.

- **Bland County** – Grapefield Fire Dept., Hollybrook Fire Dept., Rocky Gap Vol. Fire Dept.
- **Wythe County** - Ivanhoe Fire Dept. and Speedwell Fire Dept.
- **Open Door Café**: *Free Community Food Pantry every Friday, beginning Oct. 4, from 2-4 pm*

Collecting Donations – Contact directly to make donations.

- **Ashley Furniture – Wytheville**: 276.625.0066, Store Hours Mon-Sat 10 am-7 pm, Sun 12-5 pm
 - Partnering with local businesses to collect donations that will be transported to NC starting this Sunday to include water, hygiene products, and non-perishable items.
- **Bland Ministry Center**: 276.688.4701
- **Food City**: ***Any location through October 12th***. Accepting tax deductible monetary donations at checkout.
- **Grayson Restaurant**: 276.228.5304
- **Open Door Community**: 276.228.6280
- **Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church**: 276.223.1492 & **Rural Retreat United Methodist Church**: 276.686.6429
 - Hygiene Kits <https://umcmmission.org/umcor-hygiene-kit/>
 - Cleaning Supply Buckets <https://umcmmission.org/umcor-cleaning-kit/>
- **SWVA Crossroads Coalition**: Call Brandy Page 276.617.3008
- **Wythe Community Works**: 910.685.6993 Cleaning Supplies to be distributed this weekend. Volunteer Opportunities.
- **Wythe County Department of Social Services**: 276.228.549
- **Wytheville's A Christmas to Remember / Hitachi Energy Arena**:
 - Call Tonya Riggins 276.620.0434 – Personal Care items, Baby items, Cleaning Supplies, Bottled water, Pre-packaged food
- **Wythe County Community Hospital – Drop off before noon on Sunday, Oct. 6th**.
 - Bottled Water, Non-Perishable Food Items, Diapers, Baby Wipes, Formula, Small Toys, Hygiene Items, Bleach/White Vinegar, Flashlights, Batteries / Monetary donations can be sent via Venmo: @Jake-Hubbard-21

Charging Stations

- **Rural Retreat United Methodist Church:** 10 am-1 pm
 - Open to charge devices, Free Wi-Fi, and to fill up water. Also have cases of water.
- **U.S. Cellular – Wytheville** location during business hours Mon-Sat 10 am-7 pm, Sun 12-5 pm
 - Open to charge devices, Free Wi-Fi

Monetary Donations

- **First Bank & Trust Company:** Serving as a Collection Point for Monetary Donations, and Pledges \$100,000 in Donations towards Flood Relief Efforts www.firstbank.com
- **United Way of Southwest Virginia:** 2024 Southwest Virginia Regional Disaster Relief Fund. <https://unitedwayswva.charityproud.org/Donate/MiniCampaign/34132>

Assistance

- **Bland County Citizens:**
 - Please send photos and descriptions of property damage to jdunn@bland.org Please include: your name, your address, and contact number along with the pictures and descriptions. All damage is needed including loss of crops, livestock, damage to homes, cars, buildings etc.
 - Even if you think it is insignificant or if you've already been working on repairs, we still need to hear from you.
 - As we work through the process to secure state and federal aid to our community, your damage documentation is vital. You will see County vehicles continuing to assess damage throughout the week.
 - All Federal and State funding requests are submitted through Bland County Administration.
 - Please reach out to us with questions 276-688-4622
- **Wythe County Citizens:**
 - Report property damage, loss, or other matters regarding impacts from Tropical Storm Helene should use the VA Dept. of Emergency Management form below: <https://crisistrack.juware.com/public/VDEM/request.html>
- **FEMA:** Individuals and business owners (Wythe County) who sustained losses can begin applying for assistance by registering at www.DisasterAssistance.gov, by calling 1.800.621.3362, or by using the FEMA App.
- **Sercap:** Essential & Critical Needs Grant Program <https://sercap.org/assistance/individuals/essential-critical-needs-grant-program>
- **Southwest Virginia Agriculture Relief Program:**
 - If your farm has been affected by Hurricane Helene and you are in need of assistance, please fill out this form: <https://tinyurl.com/SWVAAGNEEDS>
 - If you are interested in donating items such as hay, feed, fencing materials or other farm related items, please use this link via Virginia Cooperative Extension and Virginia Cattlemen's Association: <https://tinyurl.com/HELPSWVAFARMERS>. They are working to accept monetary donations, but are unable to at this time.

Business Resources

- **Small Business Administration:** Low-interest disaster loans for businesses and homeowners <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/disaster-assistance>
- **Virginia Small Business Development Center** – Check their website www.virginiasbdc.org, Facebook page, and YouTube page for a recording of the Q&A Session on Disaster Recovery.

Please send additional information to chamber@wytheville.org