



CONWAY, SC

Hurricane Florence – 2018

Location

Conway has a population of approximately 20,000 people and is located about 15 miles northwest of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. It is one of the oldest towns in South Carolina and is the home of Coastal Carolina University. Conway homes experienced extensive flooding after the 2015 historic flood event and after 2016 Hurricane Matthew. MDS volunteers responded in each of those floods.

Disaster

Hurricane Florence hit land in North Carolina on September 14, 2018. The rain from the storm at some places was over 30". All of that rain water went into the rivers which flow through South Carolina to get to the Atlantic Ocean. Conway, SC experienced their flooding event about 10 days after the storm passed. Many homes were flooded with several inches to several feet of water in the living space of their homes.

MDS Response

MDS volunteers will be staying at Joseph B. Bethea United Methodist Church in Myrtle Beach, SC. The church's Fellowship Hall has a large dining room, kitchen and bathrooms. All sleeping quarters will be in RV's or bunk trailers.

Volunteers will be repairing homes that were damaged from the hurricane.

Transportation

It is the responsibility of weekly volunteers to plan, schedule, and pay for their transportation to and from the project in Conway. If you choose to fly in or take a bus, you will need to be sure to arrange for transportation from the station to the project, as MDS is not able to pick up weekly volunteers. If you have questions about this, please call the Coordinator for Weekly Volunteers at 800-241-8111.

- The Myrtle Beach Airport is the closest airport, about 15 miles away. Rental cars are available through several organizations (Enterprise is one and can be reached at 800-736-8222), as well as taxi service.
- Greyhound has a bus station in Myrtle Beach, about 15 miles from the project site, and can be reached at 843-712-2330.

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Directions

Use Google Maps to direct you to the project site. There are two buildings on the property. MDS will be using the Fellowship Hall, which is the second building from the main road. The other building is the sanctuary. All vehicles should be parked at the end of the parking lot near the large MDS tool trailer.