



GREENBRIER COUNTY, WV

Flooding– 2016

Location

Lewisburg is a city in Greenbrier County, West Virginia, located in the southeastern part of the state. Nearby in White Sulphur Springs is one of the oldest golf courses in the United States. The center of Lewisburg is a National Register Historic District.

Disaster

On June 23, 2016, much of West Virginia was hit by thunderstorms, torrential rain, and flash floods. Some areas received up to 10 inches of rain within 12-24 hours. The rainfall amount in Greenbrier County, one of the hardest hit areas, was considered a 1000-year-event. Some 1200 homes were damaged, there were 15 confirmed deaths and many injuries. Roads were washed out; bridges were destroyed, and thousands were left without power.

MDS Response

MDS Volunteers will be staying at the Rhema Christian Center. Weekly volunteers will be staying in classrooms converted to bunkrooms and leadership volunteers will be staying in smaller classrooms. Showers and restroom facilities are available onsite.

Volunteers will be working primarily on repair and rebuilding jobs in the community.

Transportation

It is the responsibility of weekly volunteers to plan, schedule, and pay for their transportation to and from the project. 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 Greenbrier Valley Airport is the closest airport, only a few miles away. Rental cars are available through several organizations (Enterprise is one and can be reached at 304-793-2402), as well as taxi service and the Greenbrier Shuttle, which requires advance registrations (phone number is 855-453-4858).
- Amtrak has a station stop in White Sulphur Springs, WV, about 10 miles from Lewisburg, although it has limited services there.

Physical / Mailing Address

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Directions

Use GPS to direct you to the project site. From Davis Stuart Rd, you will be able to see the church, which sits back from the road. Turn into the church driveway and follow signs for MDS.