

TBM volunteers offer disaster relief in East Texas and Louisiana

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KILGORE—Texas Baptist Men dispatched volunteers to East Texas and Louisiana to provide disaster relief after drenching rain flooded low-lying areas.

TBM volunteers began serving March 12 in Kilgore to assess needs in various areas and coordinate response.

A mud-out team went to work in the area almost immediately, shoveling mud from homes, ripping out soaked flooring and damaged drywall, and then power-washing and disinfecting surfaces. An emergency food-service team also served in Kilgore.

TBM dispatched a shower rig to Starks, La., about 30 miles northeast of Beaumont, to support disaster relief efforts there.

In Southeast Texas, TBM mobilized mud-out teams, box-distribution volunteers and an incident management team to serve in Orange, in the Golden Triangle area, but deployment was delayed until the water receded.

TBM sent an emergency food-service mobile unit and volunteers to the Orange County Emergency Operations Center, to prepare meals for first responders, volunteers and others.

A TBM mud-out crew also worked in Bon Weir, a community about 50 miles north of Orange.

To contribute to TBM disaster relief, click [here](#) or send a check designated

“disaster relief” to Texas Baptist Men, 5351 Catron, Dallas 75227.

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