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Community Volunteer Needs and Resources

This document is here: bit.ly/4eRc5kZ and was created by the Family Assistance Center at the Buncombe Co. Register of Deeds. *THIS IS THE LAST DAY (MON) WE WILL BE OPERATIONAL. VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WILL NOT BE VERIFIED MOVING FORWARD. AT THE END OF THIS DOCUMENT IS A LIST OF WEBSITES, MANY OF WHICH WILL BE UPDATED MORE REGULARLY AND LIST CURRENT SERVICES AND RESOURCES FOR CONNECTING IN YOUR COMMUNITY..*

Community volunteer opportunities below:

ONGOING

United Way of Asheville Buncombe has many volunteer opportunities! Find an opportunity that works for you and sign up at <https://www.handsonasheville.org/> or <https://www.handsonasheville.org/volunteer-helene/>

**** This is the best resource for ongoing opportunities through the next week and is updated regularly. You can see current needs and register for ongoing needs. ****

The City of Asheville [ongoing] is seeking volunteers to assist with the deployment of emergency supplies at several established sites across our community. - YOU MUST REGISTER THROUGH <https://www.handsonasheville.org/> to be deployed

Volunteer Responsibilities (these are a sample, volunteer needs will fluctuate): Loading and unloading vehicles- Moving supplies- Sorting, organizing, and packaging supplies

Requirements- Ability to lift at least 25lbs- Comfortable with bending, stooping, walking and twisting- Adhere to safety measures- Ability to stand for long periods

Attire: Wear appropriate protective gear (gloves, masks, sturdy shoes)

Location: Various distribution sites around the city of Asheville

World Central Kitchen [ongoing] needs volunteers. [You must register on their Volunteer Hub first.](#)

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Come Volunteer at the ABCCM Warehouse! We have trucks coming to our warehouse M-F from 9am-5pm, we need volunteers to come help unload these trucks, sort the donations, and assist with the distribution of these needed supplies. To volunteer, please come to 1845 Brevard Rd, Arden NC 28704 between 9am and 5pm, and 9am to 2pm on Saturday. We will be closed on Sundays.

All Hands and Hearts-

Looking for day volunteers to help with debris removal and muck assistance for free to affected households- Call 828-712-6928

They will be operating for months.

Carrier Park cleanup effort- at Entrance to Carrier park at the end of State St. (Near the now defunct Eblen) Every day from 9:30ish-?

This effort is not affiliated with any group, just neighbors trying to cleanup their neighborhood. I don't know when/how the city is planning on collecting trash but hope this expedites the cleanup when they do show up. We are personal protective equipment, boots, and long sleeves/pants.

OTHER VOLUNTEER NEEDS LISTED HERE FOR BUNCOMBE AND NEARBY COUNTIES:

Post hurricane volunteer needs and offers Facebook Group

<https://www.facebook.com/share/g/8wAwPkWiKTfc4heL/?mibextid=K35XfP>

Asheville WNC Resources

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1waXW1G_mjMKV1y1WOzth6jPO5OyjHTR_-Rtpx6ml4wY/edit

This website is updated several times daily by a team of volunteers.

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Givens Estates is seeking volunteers to ensure residents' safety and well-being, and your help can make a huge difference in lightening their load.

If you're able to volunteer or know someone who can, we'd be incredibly grateful. To learn more or sign up, call us at (828) 274-4800 or email: heleneinfo@givensestates.org.

Over the river farm- Immediate 10-15 volunteers needed at . Address: 38 walking horse trail, candler nc arrival time 10am today

Please bring gloves, wheelbarrow

We are clearing debris from fence line, salvaging fence, moving tree limbs into a burn pile, etc

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Art Studios- 9-5 at 310 Art Studios in the River Arts District. They are trying to save this over 100 year old building.

Work is removing mud, drywall, and more from the building. They provide hard hats, masks, goggles, gloves. You need to wear boots, long sleeves, and pants. Also bring a change of clothes for afterwards. Show up and sign a waiver at the tent and get gear. They have some shovels there but a snow shovel is actually best. Hard work and very muddy but so worth it. Found a few art pieces that actually survived. We gave them to the studio owners who were on site.

Silverado in Black Mountain– We need a handful of volunteers to sort through supplies, also people to conduct search and rescues. YOU MUST have a truck w 4WD, ATV's and any vehicles that can make it up blocked roads. 2898 U.S. 70 Black Mountain, NC 28711

THE FOLLOWING HAVE NOT YET BEEN VERIFIED TODAY:

MANNA Foodbank - volunteers park at Jesse Israel near the WNC Farmers Market.

Orange Peel - Need help with deliveries around Asheville. Check in at the Orange Peel

Hearts with Hands: Local volunteers are needed to prepare meals, sort donations, distribute donations, and more! [Sign up here](#) for shifts starting on 10/7, 10am-6pm at 850 Warren Wilson Rd, Swannanoa.

Oakley Parks and Rec has donations that need to be moved! We need volunteers! This donations center MUST be moved, 8:30AM tomorrow, from Oakely Parks & Rec to Fellowship Asheville (across the street). Can you help us?! We need folding tables, boxes/bags, and YOU! Meet at the Parks & Rec center in the morning (8:30AM, 749 Fairview Road, bottom floor) and as the day continues, you'll find donations at the Church (756 Fairview Road). We need help!!!

Buncombe County needs volunteers at distribution sites - particularly on the weekend days. Report to one of the sites below:

- North Windy Ridge Intermediate School – 20 Doan Road, Weaverville
 - Sand Hill Elementary School – 154 Sand Hill School Road
 - Fairview Elementary School – 1355 Charlotte Hwy
 - Estes Elementary School – 275 Overlook Road
 - Leicester Elementary School – 31 Gilbert Road, Leicester
 - Cane Creek Middle School – 570 Lower Brush Creek Road
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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY with BeLoved Asheville!

WHERE: 32 old Charlotte Highway

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WHEN: Everyday 9:30am until curfew - or whenever works for your schedule; you do not need to sign up, just show up!

WHAT: Help sort/organize goods, deliver goods - water, food, clothes, toys - lots of stuff to do!



Silverados 2898 US-70, Black Mountain, NC 28711 to sort supplies, run deliveries, and serve meals

From their Facebook:

"We still need lots of volunteers. All you need to do is show up and ask for Christen, Ian, JenaLee or Amy".

Asheville dream center (399 Beaverdam rd) "We NEED VOLUNTEERS AND TRUCKS/TRAILERS any time between 9am-8pm, just show up"

Meals on Wheels; Needs volunteers to drive delivery routes starting Monday 10/7 146 Victoria Rd, Asheville, NC 28801

Mother Earth Foods is delivering food. They need 20 volunteers a day. Help with meal prep and cleaning. Call/text Emileigh at 828-778-0023.

Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church Asheville: Can use volunteer support 10/4 and 10/5. Help with distribution every day from 12 noon to 4 p.m. 789 Merrimon Avenue, Asheville 28804.

The Panther Armada is a non-profit disaster relief group, run by an Asheville resident, that is in the area assisting. They are collecting anything other than clothing and perishable items for distribution. If you would like to donate items, they can be taken to the distribution site at 125 E. Chestnut, Asheville NC. 28801. If you are looking to volunteer, our needs are inventory sorting, drivers for deliveries, chainsaw volunteers, etc. Please contact Jennifer Weber at (309) 657-4577 if you have any questions.

Asheville City Schools ACS maintenance department meets at 441 Haywood rd at 9 am and takes volunteers to help clean and repair the buildings that sustained damage.

Grace Point Church needs volunteers to unload and organize supplies
50 Woodland Hills Rd, Asheville, NC 28804

The Haw Creek Commons- A friend who is a scoutmaster who lives in Haw Creek shared that they've set up a supply/distribution point at 315 Old Haw Creek Road Asheville, NC 28805. His name is Peter Lorenz and his number is +1 (828) 777-1412.

First Baptist Church Swannanoa - May need volunteers on Monday 10/7.

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Wine to Water is distributing in front of West Asheville Baptist Church on Haywood Avenue in West Asheville. 10/5 or 10/6, non-potable water. W/W provides plastic foldable jugs. If people have wagons or their own buckets that will be helpful.

Here is the contact for operations: Claire Dresselhaus 754-715-9377.



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Other Resources/Websites

Ashevillere Relief.com - Flood relief resources and volunteer opportunities.
Crowdsourced Document (the entries have not been verified)

[Buncombe County Helene Resources](#) - comprehensive list of resources updated regularly - source unknown

[Social Bridging NC](#)- this website was built prior to the disaster by the NC Center for Health and Wellness at UNCA to provide resources to individuals across the state, particularly older adults, which would advance social connection, engagement and support. It has not yet been updated to reflect hurricane-specific resources and changes, but the team is working through the coming weeks to do so and also develop a toolkit that community members and providers can use to support those affected, those experiencing isolation, and help build resilience for communities across the region.

[Resources for Residents - source unknown](#)

[Ways to Help - source unknown](#)

[Resources for Individuals and Businesses compiled by Emi Kubota](#)

FEMA Disaster Survivor Assistance teams are available in the areas affected by [#Helene](#) helping residents apply for assistance and assessing emerging needs. They're also visiting local shelters to help those without cell service or power with their applications.

Below are FEMA DSA locations for Sunday, October 6

Alternatively, the public can download the FEMA app or call the toll free number: 800-621-3362.

- ▶ Black Mountain, 310 E State St – 9 a.m.
 - ▶ AB Tech Shelter – 9 a.m.
 - ▶ Park Square Park, 80 Court Plaza – 9 a.m.
 - ▶ Community of Emma (Spanish Speaking), FEMA is canvassing – 9 a.m.
 - ▶ New Bridge Baptist Church, 199 Elkwood Ave – 9 a.m.
 - ▶ Laundry Use Trailer, Basilica of St, Lawrence, 97 Haywood Street – noon
 - ▶ Walmart, 60 Airport Road, Arden – noon
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[BPR is maintaining a list of resources](#)



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Volunteer Needs Outside Asheville

Big Ivy Community Center Barnardsville, 540 Dillingham Road, Barnardsville, NC 28709.

ALTEC: 150 ALTEC Drive, Burnsville, NC 28714 (no additional information).

333 Mountain Heritage High School Road, Burnsville, NC 28715

Reconciliation House: 20 Academy Street, Burnsville, NC 28714

Yancey Health Dept. Burnsville (needs healthcare workers).

Town Square - 6 S Main Street, Burnsville, NC 28714

NC Counts Sylva: if you want to help with unloading the van in the evening contact Angelica at 828-595-7138.

Henderson County is recruiting for help at Mills River Town Hall, Etowah Elementary, East Henderson High, and North Henderson High.

- They need 20-30 volunteers daily from 8 am to 7 pm to help distribute resources and serve a hot meal at noon.
 - Call 828-771-6670 if interested.
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