

# Volunteers and Donors Rally to Assist Flood Victims

The following organizations, residents, local businesses and government contacts mobilized to communicate with and assist the hundreds of families affected by the water main break in Southwest Detroit on February 17, 2025.

These lists are a work in progress since no such list can truly be complete, so if there are more volunteer or donor names to be added, please email [info@elcentralmedia.com](mailto:info@elcentralmedia.com) and indicate which group you assisted. All lists appear in alphabetical order.

## Community Organizations and Neighborhood Organizations

- Congress of Communities
- Detroiters Helping Each Other
- Detroit Hispanic Development Corporation (DHDC)
- Latin Americans for Social and Economic Development (LA SED)
- Santos Church
- Southwest Detroit Business Association (SDBA)
- Southwest Pride
- Urban Neighborhood Initiatives (UNI)

## Donations from Business and Nonprofit Partners

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| Alliance Catholic Credit Union                         |                                   |
| Ambassador Bridge Group                                |                                   |
| American Red Cross                                     |                                   |
| AmeriCorps Urban Safety Program/Wayne State University |                                   |
| Beebes Market  | Ideal Group                       |
| Bennett Elementary School                              | Junction Party Store              |
| Calavera Rose  | La Palapa Parian Restaurants      |
| Canine to Five   | La Piedad Supermercado            |
| Comerica   | Lopez Tire                        |
| Comsa Coffee Detroit                                   | MANA de Metro Detroit             |
| Detroit Loves Tacos                                    | Meijer                            |
| DTE  | Metro Food Rescue                 |
| E & L Supermercado                                     | Michigan Humane Society           |
| El Rincon Tropical                                     | Prince Valley Market              |
| El Toro  | Tacos La Pachuga                  |
| Everybody Eats   | The Shop Screenprinting           |
| Ford Philanthropy                                      | Torta Express                     |
| Forgotten Harvest                                      | Units Moving and Portable Storage |
| Franks Again Hotdog Cart                               | Vamonos                           |
| Gleaners Community Food Bank                           | Walmart                           |

## Government Assistance Contacts

- City of Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan
- City of Detroit Deputy Mayor Melia Howard
- City of Detroit DWSD Director Gary Brown
- City of Detroit Office of Councilmember Gabriella Santiago-Romero
- City of Detroit District 6 Manager Eva Torres and Deputy Manager Antonio Mora
- City of Detroit Chief of Home Repair and Neighborhood Service, Rico Razo
- City of Detroit Patton Recreation Center
- City of Detroit Kemeny Recreation Center
- Great Lakes Water Authority CEO Sue Coffe



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### Donations

The list of individual donors is too numerous to include here but we remind our readers that donations are still being accepted to support the residents affected by the flooding. Urban Neighborhood Initiatives (UNI) continues to accept monetary donations on behalf of the coalition of agencies offering assistance to the affected residents. Call 313-841-4447 for more information on how you can help.

## Volunteers

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Marge Anderson              | Monica Limas             |
| Natasha Anne                | Idalis Longoria          |
| Jessica Avila               | Antonio Lopez            |
| Charles Allen               | Denisse Lopez-Avila      |
| Cristian Aranda             | Wicho and Nancy Lopez    |
| Christine Bell              | Michael Luevanos         |
| Cristabelle Cabrera         | Floria Maldonado-Ledesma |
| Jaime Carrillo              | Maria Mason              |
| Marisol Casares             | Brenda Mercado           |
| Claudia Cervantes           | Maha Mohamed             |
| Monica Cervantes            | Jessica Miller Ramirez   |
| Citlalli Cervantes Alvarado | Maritza Morales          |
| Laura Chavez                | Mary Carmen Munoz        |
| Lydia Chouinard             | Teresa Nava              |
| Rich and Carmen Colon       | Erika Ortiz              |
| Rocky Coronado              | Mayte Ma Teresa Penman   |
| Maria Cortes                | Melissa Potts            |
| Jacqueline Cuevas           | Jessica Ramirez          |
| Vicente Duran               | Sara Ramirez             |
| Claudia Enriquez            | Angie Reyes              |
| Vilma Escamilla Duran       | Marty Rodriguez          |
| Madeline Fern               | Nora Rodriguez           |
| Junior Finkey               | Veronica Rodriguez       |
| Nick Finley                 | Jimmy Rios               |
| Cristina Flores             | Sonia Rose Alvarado      |
| Angel Fontanez              | Maria Salinas            |
| Natalie Gallagher           | Mary Sanchez             |
| Cindy Garcia                | Julie Stevens            |
| Llenna Garcia               | Aidan Stickles           |
| Athena Gillespie            | Rachel Thompson          |
| Leonor Gomez                | Manuel Torres            |
| Elizabeth "Lisa" Gonzalez   | Elizabeth Valdez         |
| Kendra Grafenauer           | Karizma Valdez           |
| Christina Giuliani          | Nyasia Valdez            |
| Heather Hamm                | Miranda Vazquez          |
| Nerys Hernandez             | Fabiola Venegas          |
| Amanda Holiday              | Gloria Vera              |
| Stephanie Howell            | Moises Villagomez        |
| Roberto Ibarra              | Melissa Villareal        |
| Jennifer Jones              | Jennie Weakley           |
| Ana Kastelan                | Jason Wilson             |
| Guadalupe Lara              | Rita Yareli              |
| Eleni Laster                | Scotty Yousef            |

## Groups of volunteers (not yet listed individually above)

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|------------------------|---------------|
| Cristo Rey High School | SDBA          |
| DHDC                   | Santos Church |
| LA SED                 | UNI           |

