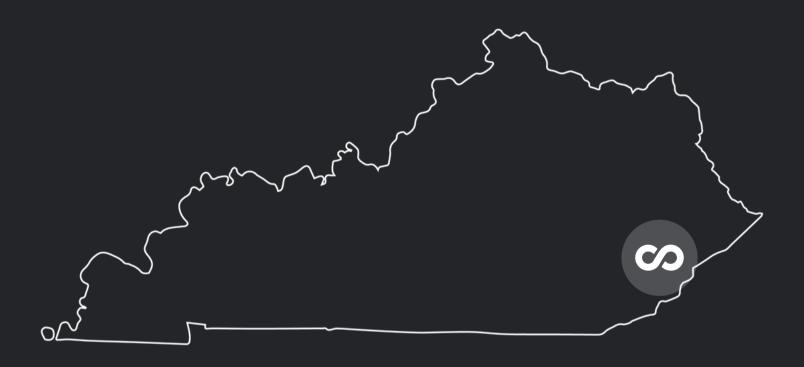
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1. OVERVIEW

Torrential rainfall in July and August of 2022 has caused catastrophic flooding in central Appalachia. In eastern Kentucky, the floods have caused 37 confirmed deaths, injuries, and property and infrastructure damage that has left hundreds of people without their homes and many residents without power, water, and other basic necessities.

2. CORE'S RESPONSE

CORE is working with local leaders and partners to address the critical needs of those affected by the floods in eastern Kentucky. Its current activities include:

- Providing emergency relief supplies necessary for debris removal to communities devasted by the flooding, including hygiene kits, as well as cleaning supplies and other items
- Arranging mobile resource coordination units with computers labs to bring hotspot connectivity and access to FEMA applications
- Assessing and sharing locations of homes that need muck and gut services with local partners
- Managing and training local volunteers to assist in providing hot meals and distributing flyers with information on accessing basic needs and debris removal

SITUATION IN NUMBERS

37	confirmed fatalities
3,000	households without power
14,000	service connections without water

*Source: Kentucky Governor's Office (August 4, 2022)

CORE'S RESPONSE



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3. ACTIVITIES

Highlights:

<u>August 1</u>

- CORE arrives in eastern Kentucky
- Field visits in Whitesburg and Fleming-Neon County to assess damage by floods and identify needs of impacted communities
- CORE sets up Point of Distribution location in Whitesburg

<u>August 2</u>

- Delivery of tablets, laptops, hotspots, tarps, and tents
- CORE sets up locations for Mobile Resource
 Coordination Units with computer labs and connectivity
- Volunteers with ATVs handed out flyers in hardest-hit areas to spread word about cleanup services

<u>August 3</u>

- 10 computers set up in Neon to bring access to FEMA applications and other resource access
- CORE coordinates and organizes the National Guard to assist with distribution of water
- CORE communicates unmet needs of survivors to Florida Division of Emergency Management
- CORE fully staffs partner Mercy Chefs' volunteer roster to provide hot meals

<u>August 4</u>

- CORE partners with Team Rubicon and Cajun Navy to begin muck and gut services on houses destroyed by flooding
- CORE expands to five locations throughout Letcher County that provide internet access to affected populations

<u>August 5</u>

• Distribution of hygiene products, cleaning supplies, and other basic needs to flood victims





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Resource Coordination

CORE is distributing cleaning supplies and other resources to support the most impacted and vulnerable populations with debris removal and other basic needs:

- Hydration Multiplier, Liquid IV 300
- Tarps 145
- Gloves, protective 137
- Trash Cans 137
- Shovels 109
- Buckets 50
- Feminine Hygiene Products 35
- Sponges 24
- Mops 22
- Trash Bags 16
- Cleaning Solution 14
- Coolers-9

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4. NEXT STEPS

CORE's immediate priorities for the response are:

- Continue to assist with resource distribution for the hardest-hit and most vulnerable communities
- Organize with county leadership and members of the community to bring information and structure to build capacity for long-term recovery groups
- Assess evolving needs of flood victims and adapt support measures accordingly
- Assess gaps for humanitarian relief within Kentucky and build partnerships to determine additional support measures
- Work with partners to operate volunteer program to continue to add capacity to relief operations in affected communities



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