

Under-resourced and underserved: Supporting tornado-devastated communities in Mississippi and the Deep South



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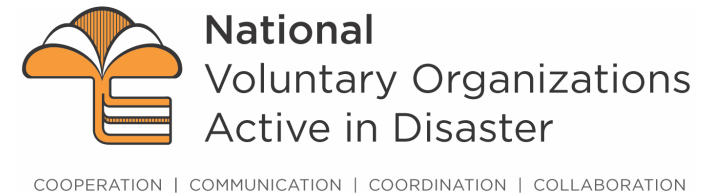
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CDP’s Land Acknowledgment is inspired by Dawn Knickerbocker, Native Americans in Philanthropy.

GOALS

At the end of the webinar, donors and grantmakers will:

- Understand the variety of immediate and long-term needs faced by communities in tornado-impacted areas.
- Learn how systemic racism and disinvestment will make recovery harder.
- Increase their knowledge of tornadoes and how they can support communities to prepare for, respond to and recover from these devastating disasters.



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Overview

- Under-resourced and underserved
- Historic disinvestment and racism
- High rates of poverty, lower education rates, high illiteracy rates
- Rural disasters are different
- Lack of transportation + mobile outreach = increased costs



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Speakers

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NEXT STEPS AND ACTIONS

1. Remember the geography.

2. Address pre-existing issues and root cause problems.

3. This is not an easy fix; be patient in your investments.

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