



Fellow Elks,

The hurricane that swept across our state and into South and North Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia, left a path of destruction through many Elks' communities in Georgia.

As of today, Douglas, Valdosta, Brunswick, Savannah and Augusta, among many other areas, are still working to recover basic public services. Damage to property has been significant. As of this writing, we are aware of six Elk Families in Georgia who have lost their homes to the destructive power of the storm. For many more, the clean-up of fallen trees and limbs will continue for weeks to come.

As a result of this weather event, several Lodges have mobilized to get paper products, gasoline and bottled water into the affected Elks' communities.

Today, the Georgia Elks Association is beginning a fund raising drive as the needs of the most severely impacted Elks will be substantial and persistent.

If you would like to provide aid to Elks in need, please send your check *payable to "Georgia Elks Charities"* to:

Georgia Elks Association  
315 S 5th Street  
Griffin, GA 30224

Please include "***Disaster Relief***" in the memo line of your check. Georgia Elks Charities is a 501(c)(3) and therefore, your donation may be treated as a deduction at the direction of your tax professional.

Fraternally  
Dan Tatum  
President GEA