Yonkers Cares Kit

Providing relief and assistance to Puerto Rico and Mexico, both recently affected by natural disasters.
Dear Yonkers,

Due to the recent natural disasters in Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Mexico and the Caribbean; there are thousands of United States citizens in despair and in need of serious help.

Unfortunately, Mother Nature has once again shown us how fragile and precious life can be with hurricanes and earthquakes throughout our world. But like with every tragedy, we will come together as one to grieve and remember – to comfort each other, knowing we do not hurt alone.

As we pray and support the families of our residents who are struggling -- we are also joining forces to help those in need. Please review the enclosed “Yonkers Cares” kit and consider helping in any possible way.

Thank You,

MIKE SPANO
Mayor
CALL TO ACTION YONKERS:
4 Ways to Provide Relief and Assistance

Donate Money
Donate Supplies
Volunteer
Communication
The Afya Foundation
• Afya collects and delivers critically needed surplus medical supplies, hospital equipment, and humanitarian provisions for acute and ongoing health crises and disaster relief worldwide.
  • [https://afyafoundation.org/donate-start-here/](https://afyafoundation.org/donate-start-here/)

Empire State Relief and Recovery Effort for Puerto Rico
• Following his visit to Puerto Rico to deliver emergency supplies and see firsthand the widespread damage and devastation from Hurricane Maria, Governor Cuomo launched the Empire State Relief and Recovery Effort for Puerto Rico. The effort brings together a wide range of civic, business and industry partners to provide needed services, goods and funds to help the people of Puerto Rico recover and rebuild, and provides opportunities for New Yorkers to contribute to the relief efforts.

Project Paz
• Project Paz and the El Paso Community Foundation are accepting donations for the victims of the 7.1 magnitude earthquake near Mexico City and the 8.1 magnitude earthquake that devastated southern Mexico. 100% of donations made will go to help victims of the earthquakes.
  • [https://epcf.org/mxquake](https://epcf.org/mxquake)
We have partnered with the AFYA Foundation of America which is a Yonkers based non-profit that collects and delivers critically needed surplus medical supplies, hospital equipment, and humanitarian provisions for acute and ongoing health crises and disaster relief worldwide.

Needed Supplies:

- Heavy duty tarps with grommets (all sizes)
- 5-gal buckets WITH lids
- Baby formula
- Baby diapers
- Over the counter medications
- Flashlights with extra batteries
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Contractor Bags
- First Aid Kits
- Sanitary Napkins
- Oral Rehydration Salts

Donate Supplies

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Place to Drop-Off Supplies

Mayor Mike Spano
Yonkers City Hall
40 S Broadway
Yonkers, NY
(914) 377-6000

Yonkers YMCA
17 Riverdale Avenue
Yonkers, NY 10701
(914) 963-0183

Any Yonkers Public School
- https://goo.gl/yzBRhQ

Any Yonkers Public Library
- https://goo.gl/2bdPCr

Please Note: YPS will only accept donations from Monday, October 2 to Tuesday, October 3, 2017 during regular school hours. Citywide collections will end on Friday, October 20, 2017.

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Places to Drop-Off Supplies

Charter School of Educational Excellence
260 Warburton Avenue
Yonkers, NY 10701
(914) 476-5070

NYS Senator Andrea Stewart-Cousins
in collaboration iPark Hudson
28 Wells Avenue, Building #3
Yonkers, NY 10701
(914) 423-4031

NYS Assembly-member Shelley Mayer
in partnership w/ the Yonkers Federation of Teachers
35 East Grassy Sprain Road, 406B
Yonkers, NY 10710
914-779-8805

Please Note: Drop-off boxes in Senator Cousins’ office will be in the lobby of the building.
Volunteer

AFYA's 12,000 foot warehouse in Yonkers serves as a community service center for students, religious institutions, corporations and neighborhood organizations. Each year over 2,500 volunteers contribute a combined 20,000 hours of service to inventory, sort and pack donated goods and medical supplies. - [http://afyafoundation.org/volunteer-time/](http://afyafoundation.org/volunteer-time/)

An association of organizations that mitigate and alleviate the impact of disasters, provides a forum promoting cooperation, communication, coordination and collaboration; and fosters more effective delivery of services to communities affected by disaster. - [https://www.nvoad.org/howtohelp/volunteer/](https://www.nvoad.org/howtohelp/volunteer/)

Volunteers constitute about 90 percent of the American Red Cross workforce. Volunteers make it possible to respond to nearly 64,000 disasters every year, most of them home and apartment fires. - [http://www.redcross.org/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/disaster-volunteer](http://www.redcross.org/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/disaster-volunteer)
What is AFYA’s Luggage for Life Program?

AFYA will provide you with a 50 lb. duffel bag filled with crucial medical supplies to deliver to a doctor in the areas of crisis mentioned.

The Luggage for Life duffel carries 50 pounds of supplies – this can include items such as bandages, dressings, gauze, birth kits, syringes, surgical gowns, gloves, sutures, etc.

Organizations Use This Link: http://afyafoundation.org/?p=9307
Individuals Use This Link: http://afyafoundation.org/?p=9305
Apps and Online Resources Can Be a Lifeline to You and Your Family When Natural Disasters Occur and Communication Systems Fail (Cell Towers & Landlines)

Created to work in low-bandwidth environments, The Zello Walkie Talkie app is built to work on your iPhone and Android. This app is a proven performer because it can work when cellular or internet connectivity is very poor. The app even works on older 2G networks. This has been the go to app in recent natural disasters. Download for iPhone [here](https://apps.apple.com/us/app/zello/id481539474) and Download for Android [here](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.zello.android&hl=en).

Disaster can tear families apart when they need each other the most. The American Red Cross can help your family members reconnect, whether the separation was caused by a recent emergency here at home or natural disaster. - [http://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/contact-and-locate-loved-ones](http://www.redcross.org/get-help/disaster-relief-and-recovery-services/contact-and-locate-loved-ones)

Facebook’s Safety Check feature is a phenomenal way to achieve peace of mind during a crisis. Users check themselves as safe and their network of friends is notified. It can also be used to create Groups relating to the crisis at hand and to post and share information. - [https://www.facebook.com/about/safetycheck/](https://www.facebook.com/about/safetycheck/)