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**Approved By:** NH and Josh

**Requested By:** Col Shwedo

**Re:** The group has been helping with flood relief efforts and would like a photo with the Governor to be used in their National Newsletter. Below are some of the groups involvement.

October 2015 WoodmenLife's involvement with the flood relief is perhaps the best example of our commitment to be a community partner. They collected and distributed over \$120,000 to 300 plus families affected by the flood. In addition to specific financial gifts they did the following in an effort to help those most in need:

- A truck full of bottled water was delivered to the flood distribution center.
- Presented a \$5000 check to Harvest Hope so they could leverage their food buying power along with other small monetary donations.
- WoodmenLife members put together a team to assemble 50 mold remediation buckets and dropped them off at a flood distribution center.
- A team of WoodmenLife reps went out with our cooker to provide hot meals to the first responders while they were working the rain/flood.
- Gave away \$27,500 in \$100 gift cards to families in need (275 families benefitted)
- Initiated several fund raising program through our Red Basket program
- A flood committee was formed and on a weekly basis they reviewed requests made by flood victims for financial help. These requests were submitted and approved for WoodmenLife members and nonmembers.

**Attendees:**

1. Don Molineu - WoodmenLife Regional Director Columbia SC
2. Mike Shealy - WoodmenLife National Director from Lexington
3. SC Randy Barnett - WoodmenLife Community Outreach Manager Greenville SC
4. Tim Houlahan - WoodmenLife Recruiting Sales Managers Florence SC
5. Wendell Merritt - WoodmenLife local Jurisdictional President and served on our flood committee Florence SC
6. Libby Bedenbaugh - WoodmenLife local Jurisdictional Secretary and severed on our flood committee - Pomaria SC
7. Ed Hardy WoodmenLife - Youth Board Member - He helped coordinate aide to flood victims in the greater Andrews SC area.

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