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- Open up your church for church volunteers coming in to help after a disaster.
- Become trained in sheltering through the Red Cross and then your church could be used as a temporary shelter.
- Can help with needs that community agencies do not do:
  - Cleaning out flooded basements for those who are not able.
  - Debris removal and lawn work after a windstorm or tornado for the elderly.
  - Assist people moving out of or into disaster affected homes.
  - Start a furniture (not clothing) drive for those who are recovering.
- Could get ERT (Early Response Training)
- Could get VIM (Volunteer In Mission Training)
- Work with another churches on how you could feed groups of people who are helping after a disaster or have experienced the disaster.
- Make UMCOR kits
- Donate a paid hotel weekend for the pastor(s) of the affected area, so they can get recharged to help their community.
- Get passes to ice cream shop, local theater, miniature golf course, etc for extended stay workers to get a few hours break.

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