

Purpose of the Disaster Response Ministry

The purpose of NCBOM's Disaster Response Ministry is to relieve human suffering caused by disasters by providing among other things: hot meals, debris removal, child care and family assistance.

We work with various disaster organizations in order to achieve this goal: American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, NC Emergency Management, and a variety of groups.

Mission Statement

The goal of NCBOM Disaster Response Ministry is to provide ways for Christians to minister to people who are hurting due to disasters. We seek to provide organization, equipment, and strategy for committed volunteers to help affected individuals/families rebuild their lives and homes. Some of the ways we respond are through; Administration, Assessment, Chaplaincy, Communications, Childcare, International Search and Rescue, Laundry, Logistics, Mass feeding, Recovery (debris removal), Rebuild. Shower, Water, etc.

Motivation of NC Disaster Response

The motivation behind NC Baptist Disaster Response efforts can be summed up by looking at biblical accounts of Jesus' teaching and healing, such as: His feeding the multitudes, the parable of the Good Samaritan, and urging us to serve others in a variety of ways. (Matthew 14:19-21, Luke 10, Matthew 25:32-46, Matthew 5:14-16, Ephesians 2:10, James 2:15-16).

Age

18+ for all ministries. Exception: To participate in Disaster Recovery and Feeding training, youth must be in the 6th grade or older. A parent must attend the same class at training. For Feeding and Recovery Deployment: under 16 must be accompanied with parent, 16 and 17 must be accompanied with chaperone.

2026 Training Dates and Locations:

2026 DR TRAINING FRANKLIN, NC

5/2/2026 8:30-3:00

2026 DR TRAINING GREENSBORO, NC

2/28/2026 8:30- 3:00

2026 DR TRAINING LAURINBURG, NC

3/28/2026 8:30-3:00

2026 DR TRAINING MOORESVILLE, NC

4/25/2026 8:30-3:00

2026 DR TRAINING ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC

2/21/2026 8:30-3:00

2026 DR TRAINING ROXBORO, NC

3/14/2026 8:30-3:00

Areas of Certification:

DR Volunteers can get involved in disaster relief ministry in one or more of the following ways:

Admin - Admin. volunteers manage volunteer check-in, jobs, finances, and daily reporting on laptop computers(provided), and must have organizational and multi-tasking skills to work in a fast-paced environment. Excellent relational skills are also required to interact with survivors as well as other volunteers.

Assessment – (Must be certified in recovery) Visits with homeowner to determine if and how volunteers can help with cleanup and recovery. Team member should be comfortable meeting people in distress, work well with others, usually in pairs, be able to read and complete paperwork, and understand the work of chainsaw, clean-up, and temporary repair teams.

Chaplaincy - Chaplaincy volunteers meet the spiritual and emotional needs of disaster survivors. Participants should be able to relate well with people in crisis situations, be a good listener, be able to communicate well verbally, and be able to read and comprehend chaplaincy materials. Compassion is important but also should learn skills to care for the needy.

Childcare - Childcare participant team members provide a temporary environment for children post-disaster in order to allow parents time to recover from a disaster. Must be willing to learn and follow NC Baptists on Mission Disaster Relief methods for childcare.

Communications - For individuals with a background in computer operations, support, network support, and/or a background in Communications. (Ex. Ham, Amateur Radio)

Crew Chief - Crew chiefs will lead trained and untrained volunteers conducting recovery operations. They must have demonstrated leadership ability and must be currently certified in Recovery.

Drivers – NC Baptists on Mission Disaster Relief owns and operates many large pieces of equipment that need to be transported to trainings and disaster sites throughout the year with large tractors and smaller trucks. We also operate a number of box trucks. Drivers must have current licensure, no disciplinary action, a good driving record, pass a drug screening and other requirements.

Feeding - Feeding volunteers will learn best practices for cooking large quantities of food using NC Baptists on Mission Disaster Relief equipment. Must be able to work in hot/cold environments for long periods. Standing, lifting, twisting are basic physical motions that you must be comfortable with.

Forklift - Participants will learn how to operate a forklift properly and as it relates to a Disaster Site. Must have certified in Recovery, Feeding or Logistics.

Logistics - Logistics volunteers manage site logistics and acquire services (water, propane, diesel, trash pickup, office supplies, etc.) for the operation. Volunteers must be resourceful, energetic, and able to manage many demands at one time. The work is typically outdoors and requires long hours and many challenges.

Maintenance - Participants must have experience in maintenance and be able to work long hours in less than ideal conditions. Must be mechanically savvy and resourceful.

Medical Reserve Corps - Volunteers have the opportunity to respond to domestic and international medical responses, and especially when disaster sites are set up and operational in NC. Must have a copy of credentials with no disciplinary action. Must be able to work long hours in adverse conditions.

Recovery - (also known as Clean-up): Help homeowners clean-up personal dwellings which may include: gutting home, removing mud and personal belongings, chainsaw work, and temporary roof repair. To participate in Disaster Recovery training, youth must be in the 6th grade or older. A parent must attend the same class at training. Skills needed: be in good physical shape, able to work in adverse conditions including hot and cold weather.

Safety - Safety volunteers will manage all aspects of safety on a site where DR volunteers are stationed.

Shower/Laundry - Volunteers will learn setup, maintenance, and use of shower/laundry units. Skills needed: be able to clean showers and be able to sort, load, wash, and fold clothes for other people. Must be in good physical shape to work in hot and cold conditions.

Recovery Trailer - Manages inventory for the NC Baptists on Mission Disaster Recovery tool trailer. Participants must be able to manage the disbursement and collection of tools to volunteer teams. Skills needed: understand tools and their purpose. Training in Recovery is a prerequisite to Recovery Trailer certification.