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## **Community Organizations & Congregations Rally for Hurricane Relief 16 Organizations Assembled Hurricane Relief Kits**

**Kulpsville, Pa., October 20, 2017** – On Thursday October 19, Lutheran Disaster Response – Eastern PA (LDR-EPA) along with sixteen community organizations, businesses and Lutheran congregations held a Cleanup Kit Rally at Christ Lutheran Church in Kulpsville, PA.

“This event was highly anticipated because of the number of organizations taking part. We’ve had the opportunity to work with community organizations and congregations across Eastern Pennsylvania, and we’re thrilled with tonight’s impressive turnout,” said Julia Menzo, director of community outreach for LDR-EPA. “This past storm season left thousands of families reeling; many are still managing the aftermath. The kits we’re arranging will help many take steps toward recovery.”

The fifty rally-goers created one hundred and fifteen cleanup kits during their three hour session. The cleanup kits are valued at \$65 each and built following a list provided by the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Each group committed in advance to deliver a set number of needed items to the event.

Kits help sustain everyday life for people who lack ready access to essential supplies when a disaster strikes. Supplies included are a 5-gallon round bucket, liquid laundry detergent, liquid household cleaner, dish soap, a clothesline, clothespins, sponges, trash bags, cleaning wipes, air freshener, gloves, scouring pads, insect repellent & more.

### **Participating Organizations included:**

- Christ Lutheran Church of Harleysville
- Christ Lutheran Church of Springtown
- Grace Lutheran Church of Hatfield
- Liberty Lutheran Services
- Little Zion Lutheran Church of Telford
- Lutheran Disaster Response – Eastern PA
- Montgomery County Department of Public Safety
- St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Morrisville
- St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Ridge Valley
- St. John’s Lutheran Church of Folcraft
- St. John’s Lutheran Church of Richlandtown
- St. John’s Lutheran Church of Spinnerstown
- St. John’s Lutheran Church of Sumneytown
- The Confirmation class from Trinity Lutheran of Lansdale
- The Kids Co-Op from Bethlehem
- Thrivent Financial



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**About Lutheran Disaster Response-Eastern PA**

Lutheran Disaster Response-Eastern PA is part of the faith-based, non-profit Liberty Lutheran family, which comprises senior living, home health, hospice, community, and congregational services. Liberty is a transformational catalyst in the lives of 6,000 older adults through the many avenues it provides to age successfully, maintain health, and nurture inspiration. Additionally, Liberty strengthens and brings hope to distressed communities and vulnerable people through ministries that provide support for long-term disaster recovery and grief recover.

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