

After the devastation of Hurricane Harvey, one of Mission Commercial Realty's agents, Ginny Squire and her family, took it upon themselves to help relatives and their neighbors and friends near Houston, TX. The following is a summary of how they made a difference.

Every Little Bit Helps By Ginny Squire

When Hurricane Harvey hit, we knew that devastating rain would fall, but 50+ inches of rain was more than anyone thought.

Have you ever asked yourself the question, "But, what good can I do?" I have a sister-in-law, Stacy, who lives outside of Houston, TX, in an area called The Woodlands. Stacy and her family were spared from the flooding; many people they personally knew were not so lucky.

My husband, Dan, (and Stacy's brother), placed two plastic totes in our living room that first evening -- one for food and one for health and bathing supplies. Mentioning what we were doing to a few friends on social media, two totes turned into a 16-foot rental truck full of donated items as well as cash donations. On September 8, Dan drove 1,700 miles to help those his sister knew were directly affected.

People donated everything from sample-sized shower kits to soap, baby food, school supplies, diapers, toilet paper, gloves, masks, blankets and just about everything in-between.

Budget Rental offered a huge discount on the 16-foot truck. Dan and I finished off the filling of the truck with 50 cases of water, pillows and bleach housecleaning kits to go along with other necessities purchased with some of the almost \$1,400 in donations we received before Dan's trip down to Houston.

After arriving in Houston, Dan and his sister met up with a local church to distribute the donated items and helped 30 families begin to recover from the Hurricane Harvey disaster.

Here are a few pictures:



Never underestimate the power of doing what you can to help others.