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Our regular Zing! newsletter will return next month with a special January/February edition.

The Marshall Fire As you know, the most destructive wildfire in Colorado's history hit Boulder County on December 30th, 2021. Nearly 1,000 homes were destroyed. Many of you have been praying for those who have lost homes and for the families of those who have lost loved ones. Thank you! Please continue to pray for them and for all the first responders and those continuing to offer support and care. All of our church folks at Boulder Mennonite Church were unharmed, for which we're grateful. One family had a rental property destroyed but the renters escaped unharmed.

There are ways you may help, both monetarily and through donations. BMC will begin accepting donations to be stored at our church and later delivered to locations as need arises. It seems that monetary donations are most needed at this time. May God continue to comfort and strengthen all those affected and may God's people be the hands and feet of Jesus to them in offering support and care.

- Pastor Randy Spaulding, Boulder Mennonite Church

How to Help



Volunteer your time—help families affected by the Marshall Fire by <u>signing up at ColoradoResponds.org</u>.

Volunteer your shelter to displaced residents— sign up to be a vetted host at Airbnb.com. You will be alerted through the <u>Airbnb Open Homes Program</u>.

Monetary donations: <u>Boulder Office of Emergency</u> <u>Management</u> and <u>Community Foundation of</u> <u>Boulder County</u>.

The YMCA of Northern Colorado has been accepting donations at their location at 2800 Dagny Way in Lafayette but as of January 3, they are well-stocked! <u>Follow their updates</u> for what supplies are needed.

Metro Care Ambulance Services is collecting items to help people impacted by the wildfire: toiletries, clothing, gift cards for food and supplies, durable water bottles, dry and canned pet food, phone chargers, toys for children, diapers, wipes and masks. Drop off at Metro Care Ambulance Services, 11111 E. Mississippi Ave. in Aurora.



NO Material Donations are needed at this time. When appropriate, donate only things requested by officials and bring to official designated collection centers. Items not needed may go to waste and get in the way of relief efforts. Listen carefully to public service announcements for needed items. It may take a few days to set up officially designated collection centers to receive them. <u>Click here</u> for a list of what is needed. To set up a time to drop off items at BMC (3910 Table Mesa Drive), contact Administrator Ivanna Johnson at 303-443-3889. Thank you!

Needs list for Marshall/Boulder 2021

<u>Boulder Mennonite Church (3910 Table Mesa Drive) will begin collecting items and will store them at the</u> <u>church and will hold on to them *until a designated drop off location is determined.* To set up a time to drop off items at the church, contact Administrator Ivanna Johnson at 303-443-3889 or leave a message. Thank you!</u>

Shampoo Diapers of all sizes Brooms Conditioner Diaper bags Mops New bottles Mop buckets Body Soap bar Body Soap liquid New cribs (By Federal law no donated Trash cans Tooth paste used Cribs or car seats. They must be Trash can new.) New Toothbrush Trash bags New car seats Floss Flash lights New Blankets New Combs New underwear of all sizes and types **New** Brushes Rakes **New** Bras Curling irons Shovels New socks Straighteners Hoses New Clothing of all types Lip Balm Saws Tweeters Hammers Foods items: Packages must be Nail clippers Screw drivers unopened Nail Files All non-perishable canned foods Paper Towels Q-tips Mac and Cheese **Toilet Paper** Cotton Balls Pasta Eye drops Kleenex Pasta Sauce First Aid kits Paper Plates, bowls, cups Rice Plastic flatware **New** Ace bandages Peanut Butter Gibson Kitchen Kits (order on All types of dry and canned beans line) School supplies All types of canned fruits New Pots and Pans Office supplies Dry Cereal Crock pots Hot Cereal Toasters Flour Flatware Sugar Plates, bowls, Salt **Coffee Makers** Cooking Oils of all types Mixers Tuna Fish Knives Mixes: Pancake, cake, muffin, bread Ladles Stirring spoons Kitchen towels New bath towels **NEW** sheets Laundry Soap Softener Household cleaners Laundry baskets

NO Furniture NO Gently Used clothing NO ELECTRONICS NO USED COMPUTERS