

# Multi-Agency Resource Centers Open For Those Affected By Floods, Transportation Also Available

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ST LOUIS, Mo. —The Red Cross is partnering with other local and state disaster assistance organizations to open multi-agency resource centers starting today for those impacted by recent flooding. These centers (MARC)s are “one-stop shops” for people needing assistance to recover from flooding.

- **Tues., August 2, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., Element Church, 100 Mall Parkway, Unit 500, Wentzville, MO 63385**
- **Wed., August 3, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., John F. Kennedy Community Center, 315 Howdershell Road, Florissant, MO 63031**

Free Transportation:

- From the Metro Pick-up at North Hanley Station at 2:30 and 6 pm (last run)
- **Thurs. August 4, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., Centennial Commons (gymnasium) 7210 Olive Blvd., University City, MO 63130**

Free Transportation

- Metro pick-up at St. Vincent Community Center (Red Cross shelter) and the Delmar Station at 2:30 and 6 pm (last run).
- **Fri. August 5, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friendly Temple, 5515 Dr. Martin Luther King Dr., St. Louis, MO 63130**
- **Saturday, August 6, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m., East St. Louis High School, 4901 State St., East St. Louis, IL\*** - United Way is coordinating with partner agencies including city, county and state officials.
- **Sunday, August 7, 12 p.m. – 5 p.m., East St. Louis High School, 4901 State St., East St. Louis, IL\*** - United Way is coordinating with partner agencies including city, county and state officials.

\*Transportation is being coordinated for St. Louis, MO and East St. Louis, IL.

Representatives from state government, non-profit and religious-affiliated/ faith-based disaster relief organizations will be on hand. ***Individuals and families applying for assistance are required to bring identification showing address and proof of residence to be eligible for assistance from some agencies.***

In addition to other resources, the Red Cross will **provide flood clean supplies at the Multi-Agency Resource Centers** to include cleanup kits (5 gallon buckets with cleaning cloths, brushes and other items), rakes, shovels, gloves, trash bags and plastic containers.

Red Cross distributed emergency supplies (clean up supplies) over the weekend in the metro in both Missouri and Illinois.

## **Two shelters open:**

The American Red Cross of Greater St. Louis has two shelters open:

- **St. Vincent Community Center, 7335 St. Charles Rock Rd., St. Louis, MO 63133.**
- Shelter population: **25 people** Monday night

**Mason Clark Middle School, 5510 State St., East St. Louis, IL 62203**

- Shelter population: **4 people** Monday night.
- **CLOSED** shelter: James Eagan Center, 1 James J Eagan Drive, Florissant, MO

The James Eagan Center closed Sunday at 1 p.m. and individuals were taken by bus to the new location at St. Vincent Community Center (address above).

[The Red Cross](#) provided shelter for **29 people last night (Monday)** impacted by recent flooding in the St. Louis area, with 25 of them at the St. Vincent Community Center and 4 people at the Mason Clark Middle School last night. Since opening the first shelter in the metro Tuesday night, the Red Cross has provided for a total of **152 overnight stays**.

Anyone needing a place during the day or overnight may stop in for water, snacks, food and to get information. Items to bring to a shelter include clothing for a few days, bedding, toiletries, essential medication, and items for your children. For shelter information, visit [redcross.org/shelter](https://www.redcross.org/shelter), download the free Red Cross Emergency App or call 1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767). The Emergency App is available in app stores by searching for the American Red Cross or going to [redcross.org/apps](https://www.redcross.org/apps).

## **Disaster Mental Health Support:**

You can contact the **Disaster Distress Helpline** for free if you need to talk to someone. Call or text **1-800-985-5990**.

## **How to help:**

During and after disasters, cash donations enable the Red Cross to help people recover from disasters big and small. Call, click, or text to give: visit [redcross.org](https://www.redcross.org), call 1-800

RED CROSS or text the word REDCROSS to 90999 to make a \$10 donation donate online at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org). Individuals can also sign up to become a volunteer for future disaster at [www.redcross.org/volunteer](http://www.redcross.org/volunteer).

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**About the American Red Cross:**

*The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit [redcross.org](http://redcross.org) or [cruzrojaamericana.org](http://cruzrojaamericana.org), or visit us on Twitter at [@RedCross](https://twitter.com/RedCross).*