



# HCCF News

Special Edition - Hurricane Helene Relief

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## Help is Here!

In the heart of Avery County, the aftermath of Hurricane Helene left its mark, but out of the chaos and uncertainty, the determination of Avery County residents was evident as folks came together to help anyone and everyone that they could. The work that locals accomplished was truly amazing. High Country Charitable Foundation was eager to step in and help. Luckily for HCCF and the community, our very own Whitney Styles (a native of Avery County and integral part of the Foundation) immediately began lending a hand to those in need. Often times without power, cell phone, water and even a bridge to leave her home, she joined countless others to answer the cry of help. Within hours after the storm, many of our donors called wanting to give and bring hope to the community they love. With your support donations poured in through air and land. Volunteers emerged from local areas and neighboring communities. This is a story of inspiration as much as it is a tragedy. Neighbors helping neighbors that created hope and forged new friendships. Bonds that will forever be tied together.

All along the way HCCF helped to support those efforts.

Let us share with you just some of the ways that your generosity has begun to rebuild this community we all love!

# Thank you!!

## Food for the Soul

At the Party Barn, a local gathering space transformed into a place of comfort for volunteers, workers, and local residents where they could receive delicious hot meals. Over 3,000 meals have been served and still counting. Every meal served was not just nourishment but a reminder that the community stood together.



**Your Donations Have**



**Door to Door Service**

## Arrived

The generous donations received from supporters of HCCF have made a significant impact in addressing the urgent needs within our community. These contributions were transformed into essential supplies, including water, food, blankets, propane stoves, personal care products, clothing, fuel, and generators. Each item plays a crucial role in alleviating the challenges faced by those in need during difficult times.

To ensure that these vital resources reached their intended recipients, a dedicated team of individuals undertook the complex task of organizing transportation logistics. This involved coordinating flights and trucks to efficiently transport the goods from donor locations to the affected areas. The commitment and teamwork demonstrated during this process were instrumental in streamlining operations and maximizing the impact of each donation.

Upon arrival at a local warehouse, the items were meticulously sorted by a group of dedicated volunteers. Their efforts were vital in ensuring that supplies were organized and prepared for distribution. This collaborative approach not only facilitated the efficient delivery of goods but also fostered a sense of community as individuals came together to support one another.



The spirit of the community of Avery County is truly amazing to witness. And it is evident in the volunteers who went to visit families in the most remote areas.

Through washed out roads and over makeshift bridges locales navigated these rugged terrains, sometimes using trucks or side-by-sides, to ensure that those without electricity or running water could receive the support they so desperately needed.

It is heartening to witness individuals coming together to lend a helping hand, providing a sense of hope and ensuring that no one is forgotten.



## What's Next: Join Us in Making a Difference!

The High Country Charitable Foundation is committed to making a meaningful impact in the lives of those in need, and we invite you to be a part of this vital mission. Our next objective is to allocate the funds we've raised for the Hurricane Relief Effort directly to our partners in Avery County. We are not only ensuring they receive their grants for 2024, but we are also working tirelessly to utilize the funds that we have received to provide additional resources to enhance these grant organizations so that they may provide support for the community.

Together, we can empower those who rely on these essential services. Your involvement has enabled us expand our reach and amplify our efforts.

**Again thank you for your generosity.**

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## Donate Today

**Avery County will continue to need help rebuilding the community. No matter how long it takes, HCCF will be there every step of the way. No one will be left behind.**



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