

# Friend Ships

## Hurricane Ian Update

October 3, 2022

Friend Ships has started to provide relief to victims of Hurricane Ian in Florida. There is widespread need and although the government provides aid, there are generally devastated but overlooked areas in need. We look for churches to help who are working in these areas .

On September 29th, as the hurricane was still passing, we loaded out a trailer of hygiene supplies for police officers from Iowa, Louisiana who were headed out to help fellow officers in Florida.

This week, two of our team are heading out to work disaster relief in Florida. We plan to send hygiene supplies and vinyl roof protection with them. In addition, we are sending a 53' flatbed trailer to two churches in Ft. Myers who are working diligently to assist their communities. This will include thousands of units of hand sanitizer and sanitary wipes, essential items when water and power are nonexistent or unusable. We will also send heavy-duty architectural fabric (vinyl) that may be used for multiple purposes to protect roofs and damaged structures from additional rain damage.

We would like to continue to send materials, as needed. If you'd like to contribute to this effort, funds toward trucking and fuel would be best. You can make a donation at our website ([www.friendships.org](http://www.friendships.org)) or by mailing a check to Port Mercy in Lake Charles at the address listed on the Activities Report.

“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.”  
—Psalm 46:1