The last two years have been full of highs and lows, hard times, hard work, and most importantly, hope – hope created by generous neighbors, strangers turned friends, partnerships, volunteers, and the seemingly endless love and resiliency alive and well in the community we call home.

Two years after Hurricane Harvey, the road to recovery continues. We at United Way of Greater Houston are fortunate to travel it with you.
When our community faces disaster, United Way of Greater Houston plays a key role in helping our neighbors and our region recover and rebuild, from investing in immediate relief to leading our community’s long-term recovery. Since Hurricane Harvey, United Way of Greater Houston has worked with partners, long-term recovery committees, city and county governments, donors, and volunteers to leverage resources and help our neighbors recover through basic needs assistance, disaster case management, minor home repair, and help with unmet needs.

$52 million contributed by more than 26,000 donors

$48.7 million invested and distributed in recovery during the first two years

$3.6 million allocated to Year Three and City/County partnerships

Nearly 70,000 households helped so far

**Investments by Amount and Need**

- **Basic Needs**
  - Households served: 50,465
  - Amount of investment: $3.6 million

- **Disaster Case Management**
  - Households served: 9,839
  - Amount of investment: $6.8 million

- **Minor Home Repair**
  - Households served: 1,386
  - Amount of investment: $28 million

- **Unmet needs**
  - Households served: 8,261
  - Amount of investment: $6 million*

* Leveraged $6 million to generate an additional $4.9 million from other sources.
HIGHLIGHTS FROM TWO YEARS OF PROGRESS

During the first year post-Hurricane Harvey, United Way’s efforts focused on investing to help with immediate needs, ramping up disaster case management, and getting processes and partnerships in place to address long-term recovery. In Year Two, United Way's work has focused heavily on home repair, addressing unmet needs, and helping families who are facing complex issues and who have exhausted insurance, FEMA assistance, and other resources.

Answering the call

2-1-1 Texas/United Way HELPLINE: our community’s 24/7 go-to resource in times of disaster and every day, connecting 1.2 million people with help in 2018.

- Connected more than 476,000 people with help during and after Hurricane Harvey
- Maintains up-to-date information on shelters and other essential resources
- Facilitates STEAR, the State of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry, a registry of people who need assistance in case of an emergency evacuation
- Successfully implemented a disaster case management intake pilot that make a model for other communities

A leader in long-term recovery

United Way of Greater Houston is a key player in long-term recovery committees in Harris, Fort Bend, Montgomery, and Waller counties, working with local government, nonprofits, and other partners to assess needs, leverage resources, and work together to help people get back in their homes and on their feet.

A Day of Action and joy

To commemorate the one-year anniversary of Hurricane Harvey, United Way of Greater Houston and BakerRipley partnered to host a Day of Action to help a few of our neighbors still recovering from Harvey. Volunteers assisted families in turning their houses back into homes by completing various projects. Mattress Mack and Gallery Furniture helped to kick off the day by gifting 34 families with more than $13,000 to furnish their new homes.

A happy ending

The mobile home Maria and her kids live in was destroyed by Hurricane Harvey. The home was paid for and, with her income, Maria could not afford to replace it. United Way worked with five partners to get Maria's family into a new home and to help them replace what they had lost and rebuild their lives.
MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER

We have been overwhelmed by the incredible generosity of our neighbors across Texas and all over the world. We thank the many organizations and individuals who gave to the United Way Relief Fund, our volunteer Hurricane Harvey Task Force that has guided and overseen our recovery efforts, and our extraordinary partners, neighbors, and friends, who stood shoulder-to-shoulder with us in this work.

For a listing of our donors and to learn more about our work, visit us at www.unitedwayhouston.org.

You can count on United Way of Greater Houston to continue to lead long-term recovery efforts across our region, to leverage and build on so many wonderful partnerships with nonprofit organizations and others, and to take what we have learned to heart as we prepare for future disasters.

Your support ensures we are here for our community in sunshine and storms. Thank you!

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