

To all La/Ms/Ark NKBA Chapter Members,

Texas residents are suffering from the flooding from Hurricane Harvey and we want to help. Our members and their loved ones know all too intimately the financial and emotional pain flood waters can cause and how it effects buildings, businesses, and most importantly family members and friends' daily lives. We have experienced the "rush in" of those who only want to benefit from the suffering and hardship of others. We also have experienced the best in humanity, with the "rush in" to provide support and help, as many of us have personally benefitted from during our recovery from the Great Flood in August 2016.

As professionals in the home building industry, we know that a home is not only four walls. We help make dreams come true for homeowners every day. We need to now help them get through the nightmare. Many have completely lost their homes and those with homes have a long road ahead.

As Louisianians, we can definitely empathize with the suffering of these flood victims and as Louisianians, we care and are generous, so let us join in the rebuild efforts. Our La/Ms/Ark chapter is committing \$750.00 to the Southern Texas NKBA chapter.

If you want to help more directly, please get in touch with the Southern Texas chapter at: <https://texasgulfcoastnkba.starchapter.com/catalog.php?cat=5>. I have been in touch with their president, Patricia Brewer and she is overwhelmed with our desire to help their members and she thanks us for our support.

There may be a need from our own Louisiana membership. If you are one of those affected in Louisiana and are a member of the La/Ms/Ark NKBA chapter, please email us at: <http://www.nkba-la-ms-ark.com/>. If you'd like to contribute to the national NKBA disaster relief effort to directly help NKBA members, go to [info@nkba.org](mailto:info@nkba.org). or <https://forms.nkba.org/harvey-relief/>.

Thank you for your generosity and your ongoing prayers for the flood victims. As our friends in Florida, South Carolina and Georgia brace for impact of Hurricane Irma, we watch the resilience and strength of our peers across the south and it should cause us to stop and count our many daily blessings.

Your chapter president,  
Vickie Mire