

The **Mission Statement of UCC Disaster Ministries** is “Responding to the call of our Christ-centered faith, UCC Disaster Ministries supports holistic community recovery, worldwide, by engaging supporters, volunteers and partners to focus on preparedness, emergency relief and long-term recovery.”

UCC Domestic Disaster Ministries is focused on:

- Preparedness and Long-Term Recovery (Rebuilding, Grants, Listening to community needs and responding)
- Providing support, information and resources to Conferences and Congregations (solidarity grants, recovery grants)
- Deploying Long-Term Recovery Volunteers to disaster sites
- Encouraging volunteer opportunities for disaster recovery work teams
- Providing Grants to partners throughout the entire Response and Recovery Continuum
- Influencing Federal policy and disaster response and recovery best practices

UCC Disaster Ministries have 3 national staff: Zach Wolgemuth, Executive; Amanda Shelton, Program Associate; and Ken Skalitzky, Disaster Recovery Specialist. Each Conference has a Conference Disaster Coordinator. In PSEC that position is filled by Rev. Karl Jones.

Here are links where you can get very specific information on UCC Disaster Ministries –

"In 2018, Disaster Ministries supported survivors in 26 countries and more than 16 states and U.S territories with \$2-million in disaster recovery." For the details go to

http://www.ucc.org/disaster_2018_support_for_recovery?utm_campaign=kyp_feb19_19&utm_medium=email&utm_source=unitedchurchofchrist

"UCC Disaster Ministries is pleased to introduce an attractive new ministry summary of our support for the long-term recovery of disaster survivors across the United States and around the world in 2018."

https://assets.nationbuilder.com/unitedchurchofchrist/pages/4892/attachments/original/1550432446/DM_2018_Ministry_Summary_final.pdf?1550432446