



Governor Pete Ricketts

Growing Nebraska for the Next Generation

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**Gov. Ricketts Proclaims Statewide Day of Prayer,
First Lady Urges Nebraskans to Volunteer**

LINCOLN – Governor Pete Ricketts has signed a proclamation declaring Sunday, April 7, 2019 as a Statewide Day of Prayer for Nebraskans affected by the flooding and disastrous conditions throughout the state.

“Nebraska has experienced the most widespread natural disaster in state history,” said Governor Ricketts. “The unprecedented flooding and severe weather have led 81 of our 93 counties to issue disaster declarations.

“This coming Sunday, we are asking Nebraska to lift our state up in prayer. As Nebraskans roll up our sleeves and work together on recovery efforts, we ask God for wisdom in seeing and best responding to the needs around us,” the

Governor remarked. "By the grace of God, Nebraska's communities will emerge from this challenge stronger and better than ever."

"The devastating floods across the state have left many of our friends and neighbors in need of assistance," said First Lady Susanne Shore. "Because Nebraskans are some of the most caring and compassionate people in the world, those not directly impacted by the floods are eager to help. Nebraska Impact has the ability to connect volunteers with organizations and others in need. I encourage Nebraskans to visit www.nebraskaimpact.com daily as new opportunities to make an impact on our state will continue to emerge."

Churches, communities, organizations and individuals who want to organize a volunteer effort are encouraged to register their organization and volunteer needs at www.nebraskaimpact.com. Click the "Get Started" link at the top of the home page to register. A "how-to guide" can be found at www.nebraskaimpact.com/flood.

The Nebraska Impact initiative was launched in 2017 as part of the state's sesquicentennial activities with the goal of increasing volunteer engagement in the state. The website continues to be used as a tool to connect Nebraskans with volunteer opportunities across the state.

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