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Dear USSAAC Community,

USSAAC is thinking of people with complex communication needs and their allies affected by Hurricane Harvey, and preparing its response. We have established a website (<https://harveyaac.recovers.org/>), designed to help people who use AAC and their family members in communities impacted by hurricane Harvey. Individuals with complex communication needs, family members and professionals can *request help* that results in re-establishing someone's ability to communicate using AAC methods. Professionals, companies, and institutions can *offer to donate* or volunteer skills as well as tools and technologies by clicking on the buttons above. Information and offerings will be kept confidential and only shown to vetted organizations helping the AAC community. Organizations who join this effort can post their services, request resources, and access the databases of needs, donations, and volunteers.

Other resources or ways to support individuals affected by hurricane Harvey are available on our [Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/ussaac1/) at <https://www.facebook.com/ussaac1/>.

USSAAC stands ready to help, as we did in Hurricane Katrina and other disasters. Let us know how we can assist!