

SSO-USA 2024 WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA DISASTER RELIEF DONATION OPTIONS

On September 27-28, 2024, Hurricane Helene came ashore along the west coast of Florida and made its way north, stalling over the mountains of western North Carolina. More than 20 inches of rain fell on a region already saturated from recent precipitation, causing severe flooding, landslides, and hundreds of washed-out roads and bridges. Remote mountain locations have not been fully accessed even now.

Although the area of North Carolina in which the SSO-USA conference is being hosted was not directly in the path of Hurricane Helene, we stand in solidarity with the rest of our state by offering options for donations to support rescue and recovery, as well as the long process of rebuilding.

State-wide Disaster Relief Funding:

These entities provide funding and services across damaged areas in WNC:

American Red Cross North Carolina Chapter: **Text HELENE to 90999**

Democracy Green (Environmental Justice organization): <https://www.democracy-green.org/donate>

Feeding the Carolinas (organization of food banks throughout the region): <https://4agc.com/donate/helene>

New Disabled South: <https://donorbox.org/hurricane-helene-direct-support>

North Carolina Disaster Relief Fund: <https://pay.payitgov.com/ncdonations>

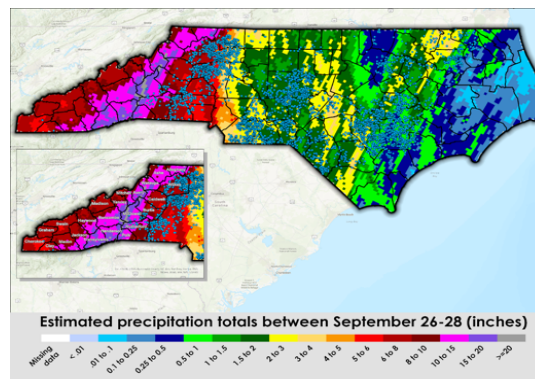


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In keeping with the SSO-USA 2024 Conference Theme, we also offer

Arts-Based Donation Options:

Craft Emergency Relief Fund: <https://cerfplus.org/>

North Carolina Arts Disaster Relief Fund: <https://www.ncartsfoundation.org/donate-nc-disaster-relief>

Penland School of Craft Direct Relief Fund: <https://fundraise.givesmart.com/e/mv10Vg?vid=18a5i8>

Visit these music venues in North Carolina who are donating a portion of every ticket sold in October to Hurricane Helene Relief: Cat's Cradle (Chapel Hill), Haw River Ballroom (Saxapahaw), Motorco (Durham)

FOR ADDITIONAL & GEOGRAPHIC-SPECIFIC DONATIONS, PLEASE VISIT [Blue Ridge Public Radio Helene Help List](#)