



Folks Travel Hundreds of Miles to Help Cleanup Storm Damage

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Cleanup continues more than a week after severe weather strikes our area.

We spent some time today along Davis Mills Road as people are coming together to clean up what's left from last Friday's storms.

As clean up continues, volunteers from near and far have been going door to door every day helping storm victims in any way they can.

"To show that there's hope. And we can help each other. We don't have to be so bad to each other, we can all work together," says volunteer Joel Guerrero.

"It's a mess.. And most homeowners have no idea where to start, what to do, and where to go. And what little bit we can do to help them out, we just want to give them a little bit of help," says volunteer Curt Hencye.

Hencye and his wife drove 10 hours from Sarasota, Florida to help out with disaster relief. Something they're no stranger to.

"We spent 5 weeks last year in Apison helping to clean the storm. Then we help do some rebuild once they got to that stage," says Hencye.

From cutting up trees, to cleaning up with bobcats and chainsaws, many volunteers say they find pleasure in assisting others during a time like this.

John Klinger is serving, in his own way, by spending countless days helping victims find peace.

"The insurance companies don't pay for people to bring things out to the curb, to help clean up, and these people - a lot of them are elderly. They can't do it themselves," says Klinger.

Curtis Yancey lost his home in last week's storms - and says it's a blessing to have volunteers willing to help homeowners like himself.

"We can't do it by ourselves. The more help we can get out here, the better off we are," says Yancey.

Joel Guerrero flew all the way from New York City to assist. And it's one main thing he looks forward to when volunteering.

"I'm looking forward to seeing their faces once we finish. To see their smiles and see their satisfaction that they're being helped," says Guerrero.

Many volunteers say they plan to stay and assist as long as they're needed.

We've had many people ask how to get involved with clean up efforts, and sometimes the best bet is to just pick up whatever tools you have, drive to the affected areas, and ask what you can do to help.

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