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FACC to assist in flood clean up

FREEPORT—Understanding the many challenges some face in recovering from a flood disaster, the Freeport Area Church Cooperative will lead a cleanup effort to assist the hardest hit and most vulnerable in the Freeport community.

The local emergency shelter and food provider will target affected households who are headed by seniors and/or the disabled and households residing on the East Side of Freeport—an area in Freeport that has seen the worst of the 2017 flood.

“There are many in our community who simply do not have the physical or financial resources to recover from flooding in a timely manner,” says Wright. “As a community organization that serves those in need in our region, we believe getting involved in helping with the flood is the right thing to do.”

FACC’s executive director Dean Wright says the organization will conduct outreach efforts over the coming week to assess cleanup needs in the community. The organization will operate two cleanup crews that will pump; clear debris, power spray, and bleach basements that have been impacted by flood waters. Wright says he hopes the first phase of the cleanup initiative will start this weekend.

“Right now we are waiting for the water to go down on the east side and waiting for city to declare the area safe for our crews to work,” says Wright. “Our hope is to start working by week’s end.”

FACC conducted a similar cleanup operation in Freeport in 2010 and 2011.

FACC is requesting bleach donations at this time. Bleach can be dropped off at FACC at 514 S. Chicago Ave., Freeport from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information on FACC’s flood cleanup efforts or to seek assistance, contact FACC at 815.233.0435 (ext 1).

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