



**GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER**  
Order of the Eastern Star  
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**TO BE SHARED WITH OES MEMBERSHIP**

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

A permanent **Disaster Relief Fund** was established by the General Grand Chapter to provide an immediate response to the need for relief funds by our members. You gave tremendous monetary support to help in the disasters that were happening in all parts of our world at that time. Since then, you have continued to show your heartwarming actions of caring and giving to help others who were in need of assistance during the natural disasters and other catastrophic occurrences.

We are reminded on a frequent basis of the need to care for others. These major life-changing-events seem to be common in the world in which we now live. The threat of tornadoes and flooding appear to increase each year, in fact, just look at some of our Jurisdictions within the States that have already been affected this year. We do not like to think that something like this could happen to us, but more often than not, these disasters affect our own towns and cities, families and friends, and touch the lives of those we love the most. Our hearts go out to those who have lost so much through various disasters and are in the midst of trying to rebuild their homes and put their lives back in order. Our fraternal bonds are strengthened when we reach out to our Sisters and Brothers across the world, and bring us closer together as we share in their greatest needs.

Grand Chapters, Subordinate Chapters, and individual Members may designate their donations to this Fund by sending their contributions to the following:

General Grand Chapter  
Order of the Eastern Star  
Office of the Right Worthy Grand Secretary  
1618 New Hampshire Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20009-2549  
Checks payable to: **GGC-OES Disaster Relief Fund**

The donor may designate the donation to provide relief for a specified disaster or relief effort and all donations will be acknowledged to the organization or individual.

On behalf of the General Grand Chapter, we ask for your assistance in replenishing the funds that have been expended for those most in need. You continue to exemplify Charity, Truth and Loving Kindness by your wonderful generosity to those who need it most.

Fraternally,

Attested:

*Helen J. Westmoreland*

*Robert C. Penoyer*

*Gary E. Miller*

Mrs. Helen J. Westmoreland  
Most Worthy Grand Matron

Mr. Robert C. Penoyer  
Most Worthy Grand Patron

Mr. Gary E. Miller  
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