

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION requesting emergency funds to assist Harvesters' Community Food Network in providing relief support for families impacted by Hurricane Helene in North Carolina, Tennessee, and other devastated areas.

RESOLUTION NO. 21761, October 7, 2024

INTRODUCED BY Manuel Abarca IV, Jeanie Lauer, Megan L. Marshall, Jalen Anderson, Donna Peyton, Venessa Huskey, Charlie Franklin, DaRon McGee, and Sean E. Smith County Legislators

WHEREAS, Hurricane Helene has caused widespread devastation in North Carolina, Tennessee and other surrounding areas leaving thousands of families displaced in urgent need of basic supplies such as food, hygiene products, and other essential assistance; and,

WHEREAS Jackson County recognizes the importance of solidarity and aid in time of crisis, both locally and nationally, in the face of natural disasters; and,

WHEREAS, Harvesters, has requested additional financial support to rapidly respond to the ongoing emergency by extending its services to the affected families in North Carolina, Tennessee, and other surrounding areas ensuring swift and effective distribution of essential supplies; and,

WHEREAS, Jackson County understands that timely action is critical in mitigating the hardships faced by those impacted by Hurricane Helene and recognizes the importance of supporting organizations like Harvesters in their relief efforts; and,

WHEREAS, the County Legislature of Jackson County would like to support devastated areas impacted by Hurricane Helene by the following:

1. The Legislature urgently requests the allocation of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) from available county emergency relief funds to support Harvesters Community Food Network in providing critical food, hygiene products, and other assistance to the families impacted by Hurricane Helene in North Carolina, Tennessee and surrounding states;
2. This financial assistance will ensure the timely provision of resources and will amplify ongoing disaster relief efforts led by Harvesters in collaboration with local partners and policy officials;
3. The County Executive and all relevant county departments are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to expedite the distribution of these funds to Harvesters for immediate relief efforts; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that this Legislature expresses its deep concern and solidarity with the victims of Hurricane Helene and commits to supporting relief efforts in any capacity deemed necessary.

Effective Date: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Whitney Miller
Whitney Miller (Oct 8, 2024 14:10 CDT)

County Counselor

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 21761 introduced on October 7, 2024, was duly passed on October 7, 2024 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas 8

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 1

10.7.2024
Date

Mary Jo Spino
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of the Legislature

There is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which the expenditure is chargeable and there is a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made each sufficient to provide for the obligation herein authorized.

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 001 0112 56790
ACCOUNT TITLE: General Fund
Legislature As A Whole
Other Contractual Services
NOT TO EXCEED: \$12,000.00

10/08/2024
Date

Sylvia Stevenson
Sylvia Stevenson (Oct 8, 2024 14:36 CDT)

Chief Administrative Officer