

**BLOOMSBURG RED CROSS INFO SHEET**  
**Monday September 19**

The information below is based on a rapidly changing scene. We update it daily, and try to find accurate information, but inevitably some of it, such as times for a church food offering, may be inaccurate if changes are made and not made available to us.

**SERVICES AVAILABLE**

**Clean-up Materials** (rubber gloves, buckets, gloves, shovels, brooms, mops, sponges, detergent, bleach, boots, scrub brushes, heavy duty trash bags, towels, paper towels, and toiletries. Not all available all the time; resupplied from time to time. If you need specific item, check with source before travelling to get it.

Bloomsgburg Red Cross, 119 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Bloom (hereafter BRC) 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Red Cross Aid Centers : 1) Bloom Town Park; 2) 429 W. Main in Bloom;

3) Espy Fire Dept. (Tenney St. one block beyond Central off Rte. 11)

Agape, 19 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St. 9 to 6 roughly **They esp. need heavy-duty rakes, fans.**  
 St, Luke's Lutheran Church,

Northern Columbia Cultural Center (NCCC), Benton

**Bottled Water**

BRC, Agape, Salvation Army (SA) at Bastian Tire on

West Main, 7<sup>th</sup> and East, and at TPC at Central and Rte. 11, Bloomsburg

Towers on W. 3<sup>rd</sup> St.. B.U. Upper Campus, NCCC, and probably other locations throughout county.

Should anyone ask, United Water has eliminated the boiling water directive for drinking and washing, so everything is back to normal.

**Shelter.** As of today, the Red Cross shelter has moved from Berwick High to The United Methodist Church, Mifflinville, 4<sup>th</sup> and Market (759-0552) Provides beds, food and water, facilities, and general basic care.

**Meals.**

Red Cross Emergency Response Vehicles circulating with food in Market St. area and W. Main in Bloomsburg and throughout the Bloomsburg Chapter's sections of the County, including at least Orangeville, Espy, Benton.

AGAPE 5 to 7

Salvation Army at 1) Bastian Tire on W. Main, 2) 7<sup>th</sup> and East, and 3) TPC at Central and Rte. 11 .Donuts and coffee, at least, in a.m.; lunch, dinner

Fernville Park : Mon. lunch only ard. 12-1.. May not be there rest of week.

Wesley Methodist, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Market lunch out front 12-2 (includes take-aways)

Perry Ave and Rupert : Bloomsburg Christian Church. 874-3740 for details.

### **Clothing , Food , Furnishings, and Infant equipment**

Agape, 119 W. 7<sup>th</sup> St. 9 to 6 clothing; clean-up materials

Wesley Church, 3<sup>rd</sup> and Market in rear roughly 10 to 4

Clothing and assorted textiles

St. Luke's Luth. Church, Lightstreet Rd./Rte. 487 in rear

Parking lot. 10 to 6 Clothing, non-perishable food,

Bedding, towels, curtains, toiletries, cleaning stuff, toys

Some glassware.

Infant clothing and toys : Agape at Moose Exchange, W. Main St. 9 to 5

Has maternity stuff, diapers, and other equipment for children

All all kinds of children's clothing.

NCCC in Benton has canned goods and nonperishables; MRE's; paper

products, feminine health products; utensils; toiletries.

People needing food of many kinds should call St. Columba

784-0801 to relay the info to Martha Sheehe, or call Martha 204-

4706 or show up at the Food Cupboard at Winona Fire House

behind St. Columbia Sunday 9:15-10:15 a.m. or Tues. 12:30to 2:3

People who lost their food in the flood can get food stamps from Public

Assistance Office, FEMA Center ,702 Saw Mill Road

702 Sawmill Road. 10 to 7

Salv. Army Store on Main St., Bloom : flood victims with address

I.D. may be eligible for free items at the store.

### **Workers** (individuals or crews) To get help from flood workers:

Agape 317-2210 19 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Bloom

Bloomsburg Christian Church (Duessen Dr off Rte. 11) 874-3740

Contact Matt Beagle 490-5137 [mattbeagle@aol.com](mailto:mattbeagle@aol.com) for worker teams

from churches

For help with clean-up : 389-5723, 389-5740, -5741 (Co.Cty Offices)

Basement pumped : Fire Dept. 784-1951

### **Animal shelter**

The animal shelter on BU Upper Campus is closed. Special rates

for limited times periods are being provided by Wildflower

Kennels (dogs only—854-3008, 925, 6171), Leihow

Veterinarian (275-0202),Pet Dome (784-3440)

### **Medical Service and Mental Health Counseling**

Tetanus shots : FEMA Center, 702 Sawmill Road 10 to 7

Nurses and mental health counselors : Red Cross Aid Centers

at Espy Fire Hall, Bloom Town Park, 429 W. Main, Bloom

There is a free medical clinic in Mifflinville

Agape will have ment. health counselors available from 5 to 7.

Free chiropractic treatment for flood workers at Maloney

Chiropractic, 500 Central Road, Scott Twntship

**Blood Donations.** Now needed more than ever. Check list of times and places in Bloom at front desk. For information on the nearest donation time and place or to schedule donation, 1-800-RED-CROSS or 1-800-432-8045

**Office on Aging Help**

People over 60 call 784-9272 for flood-related help, including home visit  
Office representative at FEMA Center, 702 Sawmill Road

**Financial Help with Flood-related expenses**

Pres. Obama has issued a Major Emergency Disaster Declaration for PA flooding. The amount of aid will be determined by the level of reports of flood damage.

**Please report your damage to home or business to both** the following numbers or offices

**Col. Cty. Emerg. Center 570-389-5606 or 389-5665**

**FEMA National 1-800-621-3362 or FEMA 702 Sawmill Rd. Center**

**FEMA Center.** 702 Sawmill Road. Go there to apply for financial help. It might help to call the above FEMA number or visit their website first (below). **The kind of help likely to be provided by FEMA** includes 1) rental money for homeowners and renters, 2) grants to get working basic house systems: heating, refrig, sewage, water systems; 3) low-interest loans for home repair and personal property. For details on this and other kinds of help, see the FEMA and PEMA links on the website

[www.agapelovefromabove.org](http://www.agapelovefromabove.org)

fema.gov

pema.state.pas.us

**Flood-related Unemployment Assistance.** See <http://bit.ly/pV3psv>

In the past, **Red Cross** has provided small **vouchers** for purchasing necessities for flood victims. **No such program is in effect at this time.**

Should individuals, organizations, and businesses send to the town and/or county funds for general use, **grants for demonstrated flood damage may be available to supplement FEMA help. Notice will be given in the newspapers and radio stations.**

**Small Business Association Loans.** See the SBA representative at the FEMA Center, 702 Sawmill Road.

**Utility Bills Assistance.** Salvation Army may provide help. 387-4112  
Try Human Services 387-6501 for this and other

**Housing.** To find replacement housing to purchase or rent for flood victims, call 1-877-428-8844 or on the web [www.PAHousingSearch.com](http://www.PAHousingSearch.com)

First Columbia bank is providing low-interest loans. See Sat. *Press-Enterprise*

**Heating or fuel leaks** : Dept. of Envir. Protection 327-3636

**Electrical damage** : PP&L at 1-800-342-5775

**Free Carpeting** Bloomsburg Carpet Industries. See ad in *Press Enterprise*

**Legal Resources** : 1-877-861-8589

**Well-Testing Kits**. Available from FEMA at 702 Sawmill Rd.

**Pastoral Counseling**. Available from the following pastors regardless of affiliation

Maggie Gillespie 854-1117 (campus ministry)

Doug Lyon, Shiloh Bible Church 336-6766© 784-3667 (h)

Jeff Bohan, St. Luke's 785-4-5035

Jenn Parks-Snyder 784-9271 (0); 784-5165

Jane O'Borski, Wesley Methodist 784-1407(l); 784-3251

Joel Zeiders 784-4515 (l)

Terry Brosius 387-0140(0) 389-1282 (h)

Jay Jones 784-1407 (o) 814-592-5355

### **DONATIONS OF MONEY OR OTHER ITEMS and VOLUNTEER WORKERS**

**Cash or Checks**. Send or bring to:

Bloomsburg Red Cross 119 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Bloomsburg, PA 17815

"American Red Cross Disaster Relief" memo line: Bloomsburg  
Chapter

Agape, 19 E. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Bloomsburg, PA 17815 Memo line : Flood relief

Central Susquehanna Community Fdn., 725 Front St., Berwick 18603

"Disaster Relief Fund for Susquehanna Valley"

Columbia Mall, at Mall Services Office

Salvation Army, 320 E. 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Berwick 18603

It is not possible to donate online to Red Cross from another area and have it designated for flood relief in this area. Nor is it possible to donate by telephone. People have to send the money to us or bring it in.

### **Food, Clothing, Cleaning Equipment, Furniture, etc.**

Agape is accepting only cleaning equipment and nonperishable food..

Will need clothing, furniture, etc. in future. Check with them  
in several days. Esp. need clean-up equipment now, rakes, fans.

Wesley Methodist Church: accepting cleaning supplies; no more  
clothing needed as of now for Wesley and St.Luke's with  
one exception : men's jeans needed as Wesley

Agape at Moose Exchange on W. Main St. is accepting infant'  
and children clothing and equipment  
Columbia Mall, at Gazebo : taking cleaning supplies  
Food Donations of all kinds : Contact Martha Sheehe 204-4076

### **Volunteer workers**

Agape is taking names of individuals and groups willing to work in various capacities. Is main volunteer center for Col. Cty. 119 E. 7<sup>th</sup>, Bloom  
Can use individuals and groups that show up with their own  
their own boots, shovels, gloves, buckets, etc. 317-2210  
Organized groups can leave information with Matt Beagle at 490-  
5137 or [mattbeagle@aol.com](mailto:mattbeagle@aol.com)  
Bloomsburg Christian Church, Duessen Dr. off Rte. 11 West of Bloom  
874-03740  
Hemlock Township : clean-up workers and helpers with meals.  
336-7297  
Sign-up sheet at Bloomsburg Fire Dept. on Market St. for flood work

### **Housing for out-of-town church clean-up crews** (bed and shower)

Contact Pastor Jay Jones of Wesley ,784-1407; 784-2701, if you want  
to offer accommodations as a group or individual homes.

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND NUMBERS**

Agape	317-2210	<a href="http://agapefromabove.org">agapefromabove.org</a>
Bloomsburg Flood Hotline	784-6779	
Columbia County	389-5728	
National FEMA number	1-800-621-3362	
Local PEMA numbers	389-5606, 389-5665 , 389-5720	
Hemlock Township	784-6178; 336-7297	
No. Col. County Cultural Center	925-0163	
Bloomsburg Red Cross	784-1395	
Scott Township	listen to WHLM	
St. Repres. David Millard : flood-related	387---0246 ; 240 Market St.	
St. Sen. John Gordner : flood-related	784-3464	
Salvation Army	387-4112; 759-1214	
St.Luke's	764-1214	
Agape at Moose Exchange	862-812-9855;	

[www.columbiacountyema.org](http://www.columbiacountyema.org). Has the following information

Food and Water Safety During Floods  
Disinfecting Private Wells  
Safety tips for dealing with flooded property  
American Red Cross Flood Survival Guide  
Health Threats from Flood Waters

