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ETFB on standby to assist in Harvey recovery efforts

Donations of food, money being accepted

(Tyler, Texas) August 28, 2017 – The East Texas Food Bank, in partnership with other Feeding Texas food banks and Feeding America, is continuing to monitor the effects of Tropical Storm Harvey. The forecast continues to show heavy rainfall possible along the Texas coastline and into portions of the ETFB service area through the end of the week.

“In addition to the heavy rain, many of our communities are experiencing the influx of evacuees from the coastal area,” said Dennis Cullinane, CEO of the East Texas Food Bank. “This will cause a rise in emergency food assistance.”

The East Texas Food Bank is accepting monetary, food and cleaning material donations to provide provisions for those who have been affected by the storm and are seeking help at our partner agencies. Food items such as pop-top meat/fish, powdered milk, cereal, canned fruits and peanut butter/jelly will be accepted at our distribution center in Tyler. Cleaning supplies such as bleach and paper towels will also be accepted.

Monetary donations can be made to the East Texas Food Bank or to other affected food banks in Texas at EastTexasFoodBank.org/Harvey. This page will be updated as needs are further identified. Volunteers are also needed and welcomed. We have extended our Volunteer Center hours for this week.

About East Texas Food Bank

The East Texas Food Bank provided more than 22 million meals each year to 200 partner agencies in 26 East Texas counties. Our vision is for a hunger-free East Texas and our mission is to fight hunger and feed hope in East Texas. The East Texas Food Bank is a member of Feeding America and Feeding Texas. To learn more, please visit EastTexasFoodBank.org. Find us on Facebook at facebook.com/etfoodbank or follow our news on Twitter at twitter.com/etfoodbank.

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