Hurricane Harvey Update: September 4-6, 2017

Monday, September 4th

- The Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Association (AMYA/MKA) continues to provide volunteers for Humanity First disaster relief efforts for Hurricane Harvey to including two new volunteers from Virginia and Wisconsin.
- 40 volunteers assisted 10 families in disaster recovery (cleaning of houses that were flooded).
  - Team of 12 volunteers worked in the Kashmere Gardens (an underserved area of Houston) and assisted 4 families with disaster recovery. Connections were made with community leaders there which will be helpful in future long term work.
  - Team of 15 volunteers worked on an Ahmadi home and completed work hauling carpet, heavy furniture and removing sheet rock from the house.
- Two members of the Humanity First Canada team arrived to assist the Humanity First Command Center in Houston.
  - Working to set up a strategy to make contacts at Texas command center and coordinate efforts with other relief agencies.

Tuesday, September 5th

- Javad Ahmad, President and COO of Oracular drove from Chicago to Houston and arrived on September 5th. Oracular donated needed supplies in the amount of $2,800 such as bedding, cleaning supplies, over the counter medication, hard hats gloves, masks, food, and water as well as the cost of the truck and trailer used to transport the supplies.
- The Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Association (AMYA/MKA) continues to provide volunteers for Humanity First disaster relief efforts for Hurricane Harvey.
- 5 volunteers assisted 1 family in disaster recovery (cleaning of houses that were flooded) in Kashmere Gardens.

Wednesday, September 6th

- The Ahmadiyya Muslim Youth Association (AMYA/MKA) continues to provide volunteers for Humanity First disaster relief efforts for Hurricane Harvey.
- 11 volunteers assisted 4 families in disaster recovery (cleaning of houses that were flooded) in Kashmere Gardens.
  - Lajna canvassed the neighborhood to see who else needed assistance. Also assisted by requesting home owners to fill out forms requesting basic demographics (family size, age of children, if home was insured, etc.) to assess if Humanity First could possibly assist in the future.
- To date Humanity First USA and AMYA/MKA have had 25 media articles published about them to date. A few are listed below:
  - [https://mic.com/articles/184153/this-muslim-group-sprang-into-action-to-help-harvey-victims-in-houston#Lc2c8uQTY](https://mic.com/articles/184153/this-muslim-group-sprang-into-action-to-help-harvey-victims-in-houston#Lc2c8uQTY)