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Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels announces \$1 Million in Disaster Relief.

The Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels' Board of Trustees today committed \$1 million to emergency relief and rebuilding efforts across flood-ravaged eastern Kentucky. The trustees immediately put a challenge out to Kentucky Colonels around the world to collectively match that amount.

“It is unprecedented, to my knowledge, for the Commonwealth to be hit by such a one-two punch of December’s tornadoes and these devastating floods,” said Gen. Gary Boschert, board of trustees chair. “Also unprecedented is for the Honorable Order to ask Colonels, once again, to step up to assist our neighbors who are dealing with an incredible blow that most of us cannot begin to fathom. And yet, that’s what we are doing today.”

The Honorable Order has made up to \$250,000 immediate relief available to qualified nonprofits and those who have received grants from the Colonels’ Good Works Program. The remaining amount, along with Colonels’ contributions to this effort will be earmarked for eastern Kentucky relief and rebuilding in the months and years to come.

Boschert concluded, “We learned from our recent experiences with partners in western Kentucky tornado relief, that recovery is a long-term commitment, and we will ensure that one hundred percent of contributions toward flood relief will be given to thoroughly vetted nonprofits providing assistance to the citizens and communities of eastern Kentucky.”

To contribute to the Honorable Order, Kentucky Colonels and others can visit KyColonels.org or mail their contribution to 943 South First Street, Louisville, KY 40203.

About The Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, Inc.

HOKC is a 501(c)(3) entity dedicated to supporting charitable activities throughout the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The organization is governed by an all-volunteer Board of Trustees. The “Kentucky Colonel” commission is an honorary title granted by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. For decades HOKC has pursued its mission through annual grants to charities across the state, funded by the generous donations of its contributing Colonels. Though the corporate name is The Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, most know it by its long-term trademark, KENTUCKY COLONELS.