

United Way Supports Tornado Support Relief

Louisiana Businessman announces Gift to Help

United Way of Southeast Louisiana President and CEO Michael Williamson has announced support for those impacted by the February 23rd tornadoes that swept through south Louisiana.



Entrepreneur and philanthropist, **David Fennelly**, **Chair of Associated Terminals** and **Turn Services has made a \$100,000 gift for relief efforts and is challenging other businesses and individuals to join him in helping storm victims.** Associated Terminals in Convent was used as a temporary shelter and triage area the night the tornados hit.

The deadly tornadoes have caused widespread damage throughout south Louisiana and the River Parishes, destroying homes and businesses. Long-term recovery and rebuilding takes time, money, and is more than just brick and mortar. United Ways across Louisiana and their supported programs with nonprofit Community Impact Partner Agencies can provide food, clothing, counseling and other services to make people whole.

Williamson says "You can join United Way to help those in need weather this latest Louisiana disaster. Together, we can ensure that those with the least among us and those that face challenges like never before, do not suffer. Rather, they find stability and comfort in a community that cares for its fellow citizens. I am often asked, 'what does this place need?' And, my answer is simple. What this place needs is you! "

Fennelly says, "The tornadoes were a terrible tragedy. Our motto at Associated Terminals is 'The ability and attitude to accomplish anything'. I want the storm victims to know that with United Way we have the ability and attitude to accomplish raising funds to help them recover."

The Associated Terminals and Turn Services Group of companies have grown into one of the premier providers of marine services in the Gulf South Region, with its primary concentration being the Lower Mississippi River from the mouth of the river up to and including Baton Rouge.

Fennelly's companies provide maritime services including stevedoring, logistics, terminal and port operations, push boats, fleeting and barge related services.

United Way of Southeast Louisiana has joined United Ways across Louisiana to assist in recovery efforts for tornado victims. If you would like to text to give, **text LAUNITED to 313131** to the Louisiana United Way Tornado Fund through **Louisiana Association of United Ways**.

To donate by check, please make payable to United Way of Southeast Louisiana, write Tornado Relief in the memo line and mail to: United Way of Southeast Louisiana, Attn; Tornado Relief, 2515 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70117.