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SUBJECT: Duluth Storm Response: Volunteer Teams Arrive in Duluth

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[Duluth, MN] - Within less than 24 hours of Mayor Emily Larson, City Councilors and our emergency response community partners publicizing the Head of the Lakes United Way 2-1-1 resource for residents in need following the July 21 storm, volunteers with the Christian Aid Ministries Rapid Response Team arrived in Duluth. A team of four arrived Wednesday and has already helped clear debris at four properties with more sites and a total of 18 volunteers scheduled to work today.

Christian Aid Ministries teams are helping out our vulnerable residents clear debris from their yards and lay them in the front for City pick up. These crews have experience in construction work, bring appropriate equipment, and have lots of experience responding to calls for help across the country. The team working in Duluth traveled from Wisconsin towing a trailer equipped with materials, tools, and safety gear. Their goal is to accomplish as much as they can today before returning home. Mayor Larson was able to catch up with the group this morning to thank them in person for helping Duluth make progress in its recovery.

If you know somebody who still needs help, please have them call Head of the Lakes United Way 2-1-1 or dial toll free 800-543-7709. As of last night, there were 30 requests logged for help with yard debris. The City is also seeking volunteers to help with yard work and eventually clean up in our City parks. Interested individuals or groups can call the City at 730-4334 or 211 (also 1-800-543-7709) to register.

View the work of Christian Aid Ministries here, <https://youtu.be/wWQCJ-Yu9l0> or <https://youtu.be/FakQugp9x1w>

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