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### **Veteran-led Team Rubicon Wrapping Up Hurricane Florence Response Operations in North Carolina**

**DALLAS (Nov. 28, 2018)** – [Team Rubicon](#), a veteran-led disaster response organization, is wrapping up its Hurricane Florence response operations in North Carolina. In all, Team Rubicon launched a total of six operations to provide hurricane response and recovery support to North Carolina residents located in the areas of Wilmington, New Bern, Lumberton, Rose Hill, Jacksonville, and Goldsboro.

Working in conjunction with state and local authorities, Team Rubicon volunteers mucked and gutted flooded homes, conducted sawyer operations to remove fallen trees, tarped damaged roofs, and used heavy equipment to remove storm debris.

“Hurricane Florence was a devastating storm that downed trees and power lines and dropped a historic amount of rain in North Carolina – leading to widespread flooding,” said William Porter, National Planning Manager at Team Rubicon. “Once again, our members selflessly answered the call and have stepped into the arena to serve those impacted by this storm.”

Cumulatively in North Carolina, Team Rubicon volunteers completed 617 work orders and contributed 66,880 work hours – assisting 1,134 individual family members and delivering \$1,929,621.76 in volunteer labor impact.

“Team Rubicon launched our largest operation to date in the wake of Hurricane Harvey, and one year later, we’re still rebuilding homes in Texas, Florida, and Puerto Rico,” said Co-founder and CEO Jake Wood. “Our teams have been hard at work serving those affected by Hurricane Florence and are grateful for the trust and support of the public’s hard-earned dollars to do so.”

Team Rubicon is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, funded by individual donors, corporations, foundations, and small businesses. The organization has received an outpouring of support in response to Florence, including donations and contributions from: The Home Depot Foundation, Southwest Airlines, Parsons Xtreme Golf (PXG), USAA, PWC Charitable Foundation, Bob Woodruff Foundation, The Walmart 2018 Hurricane Relief Fund at Foundation For The Carolinas, Jack Links, Automatic Data Processing, Inc. (ADP), Ford Motor Company, Mercury One, and Carhartt.

Team Rubicon boasts an 85,000-strong, highly skilled volunteer force that helps communities stabilize and recover after a devastating disaster. Since its inception following the 2010 Haiti earthquake, Team Rubicon has responded to 310 disasters, including Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria.

Through a strong communications infrastructure supported by our cutting-edge technological solutions, Team Rubicon volunteers efficiently and effectively respond to natural disasters and help families return to their homes as soon as possible. By giving military veteran volunteers the opportunity to continue their service through disaster response, Team Rubicon provides them an avenue to gain a renewed sense of purpose, community, and identity.

**About Team Rubicon**

*Team Rubicon unites the skills and experiences of military veterans with first responders to rapidly deploy emergency response teams. Team Rubicon is a nonprofit organization offering veterans a chance to continue their service by helping those affected by disasters, and also themselves. Programs and services are made possible by the support of individual donors, corporate partners, and the dedication of volunteers across the country. To join or support Team Rubicon's mission, visit [www.teamrubiconusa.org](http://www.teamrubiconusa.org).*

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