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| **MDS Update for October 6, 2016** **PRAYER CONCERNS**Pray for all those in the path of Hurricane Matthew.  The MDS crew in Andrews, SC has been evacuated and moved to safety ahead of the storm.  Remember those living along the Florida, Georgia and Carolina coasts in the path of the storm.  Also pray for and assist those in southwest Haiti who have already experienced the impact of this storm. Contact [Mennonite Central Committee](https://mcc.org/learn/what/relief/hurricane-matthew). Visit the [MDS website](https://mds.mennonite.net/) for updates on the MDS response to Hurricane Matthew.  **URGENT NEEDS FOR MDS PROJECTS****Weekly Volunteers needed for Fall Projects!**Detroit, Michigan: Nov 20-Dec 10Greenbrier County, West Virginia: Oct 30-Dec 16Lafayette, Louisiana: Nov 20-Dec 16Lake County, California: Oct 30- Dec 16West Virginia Bridges: Nov 20-Dec 16To schedule please call the Volunteer Development Team at 800-241-8111 or email Alicia Hurst at ahurst@mds.mennonite.net. **Roofers**Roofers are urgently needed in Andrews, S.Carolina for the week of Oct. 30-Nov 5To schedule, please call Alicia Hurst at 800-241-8111 or email at ahurst@mds.mennonite.net. **Leadership Positions** MDS needs volunteers for leadership positions at the following project locations.**RV Program**Andrews, SC – space available for one RV (couple or 2 singles) from Oct. 24-Dec. 16 (come for minimum of 4 weeks)**Detroit, MI**Head Cook – Oct. 30-Nov. 19Office Manager – Nov. 27-Dec. 16**Greenbrier County, WV**Head Cook – Oct. 30-Nov. 19Assistant Cook – Oct. 30-Dec. 16Crew Leader – Oct. 30-Dec. 16**Lafayette, LA**Head Cook – Dec. 4-16Assistant Cook – Oct. 30-Dec. 16Crew Leaders – Dec. 4-17**West Virginia Bridges**Office Manager – Nov. 13-Dec. 16Crew Leader – Nov. 13-Dec .16 **MDS IS NOW SCHEDULING FOR WINTER 2017!**Beginning this week, we are now scheduling weekly volunteers for January through March, 2017 at the following projects! **Project Locations:**Andrews, South CarolinaCalaveras County, CaliforniaLafayette, LouisianaLake County, CaliforniaTo schedule please call Steph Shenk at 800-241-8111 or email at sshenk@mds.mennonite.net.  **DIRECTOR’S BLUEPRINT****The Rainbow of Hope**A rainbow hugs the clouds and we are reminded of Genesis 9:13, “I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth.” In a recent visit to White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, where MDS Storm Aid volunteers are building new homes for survivors of the devastating June 23 floods, a rainbow appeared. What an inspiring sight and affirmation that with each nail hammered, roof attached and window hung, comes hope and the fulfilment of a covenant. We work beneath the rainbow as we respond, rebuild and restore. I remain hopeful and encouraged. Kevin KingMDS Executive Director https://gallery.mailchimp.com/119806f58860a681d3799601f/images/55d47c3f-e7a5-4e82-927c-4d697c36dd6e.jpgHope Village, September 29, 2016, in White Sulphur Springs, WV. |

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