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Re: Collections and Donations for Kentucky Disaster Relief

Greetings,

As you well know, parts of Kentucky were devastated with a F3 tornado on December 11, 2021. This tragedy has affected many of our members and damaged a facility in Kentucky.

I come to you as the leadership of our regional local unions, state CAP councils, and retired worker chapters to ask you to immediately start requesting contributions from our members.

Gate collections and donations from your local union treasury and State CAP Councils would be well appreciated by those so desperately in need of assistance. I ask you to approach your employer to contribute matching funds as well.

All funds will be used to assist union members and their families. Any assistance will be greatly appreciated. Please send your donations and make checks payable to UAW Region 8, 151 Maddox Simpson Parkway, Lebanon, TN 37090 with "Kentucky disaster relief fund" in the memo line.

Those of us who are fortunate to have avoided this disaster should now assist those in need.

To quote Walter Reuther, "There is no greater calling than to serve your fellow man. There is no greater contribution than to help the weak. There is no greater satisfaction than to have done it well."

In closing, I await your needed assistance.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mitchell Smith". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.

Mitchell Smith, Director
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cc: Servicing Representatives Kevin Huddleston
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