

Liability: Southern Mutual Help Association, Inc.

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The Southern Mutual Help Association, Inc. or its employees or volunteers, who, voluntarily, provide evacuation assistance or services in advance of a hurricane or tropical storm or provides disaster relief or recovery services related to a declared state of emergency, will not be held legally responsible for acting or failing to act. They can be held legally responsible if acting with extreme carelessness or intent to cause harm.

Gratuitous services rendered by Southern Mutual Help Association; limitation of liability

The Southern Mutual Help Association, Inc., or any officer, employee, or volunteer thereof, who gratuitously renders any evacuation assistance or services of any kind to other persons in advance of a hurricane or tropical storm declared by the United States National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Weather Service or who gratuitously renders any disaster relief or recovery services following a declared state of emergency, shall not be liable to any person for any injury, death, loss, civil penalty, or damage as a result of any act or omission in rendering assistance, relief, or recovery services or as a result of any act or failure to act or failure to provide or arrange for further services, unless the damage or injury was caused by gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct.