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MISSION GRANT STORY

**EXODUS 2:6 PROJECT:
SPIRITUAL CARE IN DISASTERS
TEXAS, LOUISIANA, AND OKLAHOMA**

\$50,000

“... she saw the child, and behold, the baby was crying. She took pity on him” (Ex. 2:6).

Lutheran Social Services of the South (LSSS) and its affiliate Lutheran Social Services Disaster Response (LSSDR) have a 129-year history of serving tens of thousands of disaster victims in the multistate region of Texas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma. The LWML is providing \$50,000 in funding to LSSS so that it may compassionately reach out to children and youth who have been devastated by natural disasters, such as flood waters, storms and tornadoes.

In Exodus 2:6, the Biblical characters were “living on the edge” when they rescued the child Moses from the water. Lutheran Women in Mission have been filled with compassion to rescue children who in times of disaster are also “living on the edge.” LWML mites are enabling these agencies to provide spiritual care to children and

youth who are facing an uncertain future due to disaster. Care and compassion that is provided will help them to recover after experiencing an overwhelming tragedy.

By God’s grace, this LWML grant will be used for such costs as salary and travel expenses for workers; recruiting and training volunteers; Biblically-based supplies for activities (coloring books and journals); items for the “Safe and Secure” shoeboxes (flashlights, helpful phone numbers, small Bibles, etc); mini-camps, after-school programs, day/weekend activities and events; meals; supplies; and copies. Grant funds are restricted to spiritual care for children affected by disaster.