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## *State Employees Pitch In To Help Victims of Hurricane Katrina*

**RICHMOND** – Virginia state employees will have an opportunity to provide financial support to the thousands of persons throughout Louisiana, Mississippi and other parts of the South who were displaced or injured by Hurricane Katrina.

Through a special fund drive authorized this week by Governor Mark R. Warner, employees may make monetary donations to selected charities through the Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign (CVC), the authorized workplace giving campaign for the state workforce.

The participating CVC charities designated to receive employee contributions are **The American Red Cross and the Salvation Army**. Each charity is directly involved in providing medical care, food or lodging to those left homeless by the hurricane, the worst natural disaster in the nation's history.

“Just as employees last year showed their compassion for the victims of the Southeast Asia tsunami, I am certain they will once again open their hearts and checkbooks to those who were harmed by this hurricane,” said Governor Mark R. Warner. Last December, state employees raised over \$75,000 for tsunami relief efforts.

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