

Administration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr., 2024

Statement on Hurricane Helene

September 28, 2024

I am deeply saddened by the loss of life and devastation caused by Hurricane Helene across the Southeast. As the storm continues to track north, Vice President Harris and I remain focused on lifesaving and life-sustaining response and recovery efforts. I am being regularly briefed by my team on the ongoing response efforts, and my administration is in constant contact with State and local officials to ensure communities have the support and resources they need. At my direction, FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell is traveling throughout the Southeast to assess the damage alongside other State and local officials.

The road to recovery will be long, but know that my administration will be with you every step of the way. We're not going to walk away. We're not going to give up. As we turn toward recovery efforts, we will make certain that no resource is spared to ensure that families, businesses, schools, hospitals, and entire communities can quickly begin their road to rebuilding. Jill and I are praying for those who lost loved ones from Hurricane Helene and for those whose homes, businesses, and communities were impacted by this terrible storm.

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