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Dear AVANCE-Houston Staff and Community:

All of us have been deeply saddened by the pain and suffering caused by Hurricane Harvey, and our hearts go out to all the AVANCE staff, families and communities that have been devastated by this disaster.

Like so many people and organizations across the country, we are seeking ways to aid and comfort those whose lives have been affected. Most immediately, we have been contacting our staff who have been affected. Although we have not made direct contact with everyone, we have reason to believe that everyone has been accounted for, we are seeking ways to find and provide them every possible support we can.

We are also very concerned about the hundreds of the families who live in the communities affected by the hurricane. In the face of such incomprehensible impact to so many families and their homes, many members of our community are already actively engaged in relief efforts – United Way of Greater Houston, American Red Cross, the City of Houston and others. Please visit the links below for further disaster-relief resources.

In the coming weeks, we will continually update our staff, families and community on a variety of other efforts to assist victims of Harvey.

I greatly appreciate the generosity of the community members and their support provided at this time. Given the unprecedented scope of this tragedy, I know there will be an ongoing need for support and I sincerely appreciate your continuing compassion.

Please know you can always call United Way at 211 to get connected with resources and help you may need. If you are in a position to make financial contributions to help victims, please donate to www.unitedwayhouston.org/flood/flood-donation.

We will get through this together and stronger as a community.

You are all in my thoughts and prayers,

Luz Flores,
Executive Director

CLICK THE LINKS BELOW FOR FURTHER ASSISTANCE

Emergency Phone Numbers: <http://abc13.com/archive/8150364>

List of Shelters: <http://abc13.com/weather/list-of-shelters-around-houston-area/2341032>