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NEWS Release

(Your hometown) woman helps New Orleans hurricane victims in recovery efforts

(Your name) of (Your hometown) recently returned from New Orleans, La., where she participated in a service project to help survivors of Hurricane Katrina regain their lives and livelihoods.

The weeklong project was organized by the Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, an international human rights agency based in Cambridge, Mass.

(Insert quote from you about your feelings about participating in the workcamp, why you volunteered, and the impact the experience had on you.)

This is the second year that UUSC has organized volunteers to help hurricane survivors in New Orleans and Biloxi, Miss.

UUSC responds strategically to natural and man-made disasters, especially where human rights are at risk. The organization particularly reaches out to marginalized or neglected populations who are not receiving aid from mainstream relief channels.

In New Orleans, the group worked on cleanup and multitask projects at the Resurrection of Our Lord School, a multicultural elementary school; and a cleanup project at the First Unitarian Church of New Orleans.

The Unitarian Universalist Service Committee has confronted political, cultural and economic oppression since 1939, when it was organized to help rescue children from Nazi terrorism in Europe. Today, UUSC advances human rights and social justice around the world, partnering with those who confront unjust power structures and mobilizing to challenge oppressive policies.