



**Ready to help!**

ASWB has been using social media to spread the word on how social workers can help with recent disaster relief and recovery. Twitter and Facebook are ASWB’s social media platforms for getting the word out to all.

To recap:

Hurricane Harvey: <http://www.socialworkblog.org/practice-and-professional-development/2017/08/texas-looking-for-health-care-providers-from-other-states-including-social-workers-in-flood-aftermath/>

Hurricane Irma: <http://www.naswfl.org/latest-news.html>

Hurricane Maria: <http://www.redcross.org/about-us/our-work/disaster-relief/hurricane-relief/hurricane-maria-relief-information>

Wildfire response: <http://www.redcross.org/local/california/northern-california-coastal/wildfires-response-october-2017>

How to volunteer to be a Red Cross Disaster Mental Health Responder: [https://www.naswca.org/resource/resmgr/Files/how\\_to\\_volunteer.pdf](https://www.naswca.org/resource/resmgr/Files/how_to_volunteer.pdf)

To find us on social media, you can search on Facebook: @aswbonline; or Twitter: ASWB Info.

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**Safe and sound**

WINIFRED ANTHONY-TODMAN of Virgin Islands let ASWB know that she and her family had made it through Harvey and Irma safely. She writes: “I am fairing well despite experiencing two category five Hurricanes in two weeks. I am without electricity and I have my parents residing with me as a result of sustaining damages to their home.”

VICKI GARDINE WILLIAMS of Tennessee also sent an update about her family members. She writes: “My sister, aunts and cousins live in St. Croix so they were impacted by Hurricane Maria moreso than Irma, which directly hit the islands of St. Thomas and St. John.... my older brother and [his] wife, and my step-grandmother live in Orlando, Florida. They were also impacted by Hurricane Irma, losing power for a couple of days. It has been a stressful month for me with family members in the path of Hurricanes Irma and Maria.”

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**In Memoriam**

It is with sadness that ASWB announces the passing in September of [ANDREW MARKS](#), Licensed Master Social Worker in Texas, and former executive director of the Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners

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(2000–2005). In 2005 ANDREW coordinated the board’s Sunset Commission review, culminating with passage of legislation for board continuance for



12 years. With ASWB during his tenure as executive director of the Texas board, ANDREW served as chair of the Administrators Forum and was appointed member and later chair of the ASWB Program and Education Committee that planned ASWB’s annual education conferences in 2000–2005. In 2008 in support of ASWB’s examination program, ANDREW was appointed to the Practice Analysis Task Force and the English as a Second Language Task Force. As senior clinical lecturer and BSW field director at Texas State University, ANDREW helped prepare many students for social work careers. He also presented extensively across the United States on professional ethics and professional regulation. ANDREW was recognized for his enthusiasm and passion for nontenure line faculty at the Nontenured Line Faculty Appreciation Reception held by Texas

State University in September. ANDREW was also involved in the Path to Licensure pilot program at Texas State with DORINDA NOBLE. JAN FITTS, ASWB senior manager of education and training, noted: “I visited with ANDREW when I was in Texas in 2015 and he was a great asset.”

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### **Minnesota board celebrates 30th anniversary**

ASWB helped the Minnesota board celebrate its 30th anniversary in September by sending a proclamation recognizing the board for providing steadfast protection of the public by licensing safe, competent, and ethical social workers and enforcing professional standards since its inception in 1987 and ... continuously providing dedicated volunteers and leaders to serve on ASWB committees, task forces, and the ASWB Board of Directors in support of mutual strategic objectives, among other accomplishments. Congratulations!

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### **Time traveler**

Talk about Mobility! FRAN FRANKLIN of Delaware recently traveled through time to meet up with the Out of Time Teachers while she was on a special mission for the Mobility Task Force. The Out of Time Teachers are a volunteer group of historical reenactors who bring American history to life.

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