

TAPE FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 2

THIS IS YOUR CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

ONCE AGAIN, WE IN WEST VIRGINIA HAVE FALLEN VICTIM TO A NATURAL DISASTER. THERECENT FLOODING LEFT OVER 30 OF OUR PEOPLE DEAD, AND THOUSANDS MORE HOMELESS. MANY FAMILIES LOST EVERYTHING AND MUST START FROM SCRATCH.

THE RESPONSE BY OUR FELLOW CITIZENS TO PLEAS FOR FOOD AND CLOTHING HAS BEEN OVERWHELMING; SO OVERWHELMING THAT THERE IS A SURPLUS OF THESE ITEMS AND THE RED CROSS HAS REQUESTED THAT NO MORE BE DONATED.

WHAT IS NEEDED DESPERATELY BY THE RED CROSS AND OTHER RELIEF AGENCIES IS MONEY -- MONEY TO HELP THESE FAMILIES BEGIN TO REBUILD THEIR HOMES AND THEIR LIVES. THEY NEED OUR HELP, AND WE HAVE A MORAL OBLIGATION TO HELP THEM. THAT IS WHAT THE MOUNTAINEER SPIRIT IS ALL ABOUT -- HELPING OUR NEIGHBORS.

PLEASE CONTACT THE RED CROSS WITH YOUR DONATION TODAY AND HELP TO GIVE OUR STRICKEN NEIGHBORS A FRESH START. WE CANNOT AFFORD TO TURN OUR BACKS ON THEM NOW. PLEASE HELP.

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