

Team Rubicon Updates Donation Requests in Anchorage, Expands Operations into the Y-K Delta

Anchorage, AK (October 24, 2025) — Team Rubicon is incredibly grateful to the people and businesses of Alaska for helping fulfill the veteran-led organization's ongoing mission of supporting the people of Western Alaska. This is the second week of Team Rubicon's support for the survivors of Typhoon Halong. Over the last week, the centralized donation warehouse in Anchorage has accepted and processed around 120 pallets and three full 20ft box trucks worth of corporate donations. Team Rubicon volunteers—known as Greyshirts—have also greeted an average of 50 generous individual Alaskan donors per day at the warehouse, donating everything from a single box or bag to pickup trucks and vans filled with boxes and bags of supplies.

Greyshirt volunteers, joined by dozens of spontaneous Anchorage-area citizen-volunteers, have asked the public for everything from hygiene products to cultural craft supplies and Southcentral Alaska has delivered. From freshly purchased pillows to porcupine quills, the Team Rubicon warehouse has bustled with activity every day since opening over a week ago. The Greyshirts, Team Rubicon's local partners, and collaborating volunteers at the evacuee shelters continue to identify specific needs for the survivors here in Anchorage and in the Y-K Delta.

The donation center is at 1120 East First Avenue in Anchorage, open 7 days a week, from 9-4pm, 907-205-8685. Members of the public interested in donating to the survivors and evacuee shelters are encouraged to bring the following NEW items to the warehouse (top and bolded most needed:

- Mattress pads (for cots and floors)
- Air mattresses (for host homes)
- All large sizes of sports bras (no underwire)
- Crafting supplies (especially traditional, including fabric, beading, crochet hooks, needles, crafting supply organizers)
- Winter boots (small to size 8 1/2)
- Men's and women's clothing (Especially larger sizes, undergarments, and men's pants)
- Shower shoes or crocs
- Hats and gloves (Specifically children's hats and adult gloves)
- Pillows
- Hygiene products
- Sleeping bags

Team Rubicon reminds people interested in donating that we are currently only accepting NEW donation items and ask that no used items be dropped off at the warehouse. We also ask that all food items, including water, to be delivered to the Food Bank of Alaska.

This past weekend Team Rubicon also sent more volunteers to Bethel to begin managing the distribution of donations in a separate warehouse operation in the regional hub town and deploy to storm-affected villages for immediate flood remediation operations. With support from local organizations and state agencies, donations from Anchorage will be processed and delivered to storm-affected communities in the Y-K Delta by the Greyshirts in Bethel while other Greyshirts will travel to and begin the recovery process in the villages.

Team Rubicon is proud to be working with local partners to serve the people of Alaska. This operation would not be possible without the critical support of the Municipality of Anchorage, Food Bank of Alaska, Southcentral Foundation, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, United Way of Anchorage, The Salvation Army Alaska Division, St. John's United Methodist Church, and Leave the FOB Ministries Team Rubicon is grateful to the State Emergency Operations Center, Alaska VOAD, and ANTHC for requesting our assistance and enabling our volunteers to serve the people impacted by Typhoon Halong.

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About Team Rubicon

Team Rubicon is a veteran-led humanitarian organization that serves global communities before, during, and after disasters and crises. Founded following the Haiti earthquake in 2010, the organization has grown to more than 200,000 volunteers across the United States and has launched over 1,300 operations domestically and internationally. To drive equity across disaster and humanitarian services, Team Rubicon focuses on three areas of impact: disaster response—from mitigation to immediate response to recovery; long term recovery & workforce development — maintaining the fabric of communities through resilient building methods; and medical services—providing emergent and surge health care, WASH, and disaster risk reduction. The organization is featured in the Emmy-nominated Roku original series titled Team Rubicon, which highlights the work of Greyshirt volunteers assisting communities across the country. Visit www.teamrubiconusa.org for more information.

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