

St. Catherine's Students Aid Flood Victims



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The floods in the southern part of the country inspired St. Catherine's students of all ages to lend assistance.

St. Catherine's Upper School students worked with the Virginia Commonwealth University basketball team, Flying Squirrels (the Double-A Affiliate of the San Francisco Giants baseball team), Hilldrup Moving, St. Christopher's students and WTVR CBS 6 Richmond Affiliate to gather donations to assist with the relief efforts following Hurricane Harvey. More than 275,000 lbs. of supplies were collected at the Diamond that day.

The varsity field hockey team woke up early and worked with the community partners in the rain to load up four trailers worth of relief items. VCU men's basketball coach Mike Rhoades even motivated the team with a little pep talk.

Lower School students gathered supplies to assist pets in animal shelters in Jacksonville, Fla. Each year the School's youngest students gather supplies for Lend A Helping Paw as part of their community outreach efforts — this year the supplies were designated for animals displaced by the storms.

St. Catherine's students partnered with students from their brother school, St. Christopher's, and both schools filled a moving truck provided by D1 Moving company, which is owned by St. Christopher's alum and former University of Virginia football player Alec Vozenilek.

Lower School Science Teacher Amy Adkins traveled with veterinarian Betty Baugh Harrison, who is a St. Catherine's alumna from 1997, to deliver the items to Jacksonville, Florida and to bring back animals to find foster homes in Richmond. St Catherine's School is honored to have such a strong volunteer community with our students and partners.