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**American Red Cross, Greater Cleveland Chapter Aiding Residents In Flooded Areas**

Cleveland, Ohio-June 26, 2006-As the amount of rain continued to become a concern for many, the American Red Cross, Greater Cleveland Chapter assisted residents who were affected by the recent floods. Over the weekend, the Greater Cleveland Chapter responded quickly in order to make sure that area residents could begin to compose themselves before another storm.

On Saturday, the Greater Cleveland Chapter's two Emergency Response Vehicles (ERVS) arrived in the affected areas to begin mobile feeding and bulk distribution of clean up kits. The ERVS were provided as part of the outreach team that continued working throughout the weekend to ensure that no person had been missed.

Accompanying the ERVS were Greater Cleveland Chapter volunteers who conducted damage assessments of all affected communities and aided the residents in coping with the disaster. As of Sunday, fifty-three local volunteers distributed 300 clean up kits, 400 pieces of literature and served 1,220 meals.

The Greater Cleveland Chapter also had a direct relief commitment of \$5,975 in order to assist the 22 cases that were opened by persons needing assistance.