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Gulf Winds Donates \$15,000 Worth of Supplies for Hurricane Ida Relief

Pensacola, FL. (September 9, 2021) – Gulf Winds Credit Union stands with our neighbors to the west in the aftermath of Hurricane Ida. Guided by the credit union philosophy of *People Helping People*, Gulf Winds provided \$15,000 worth of supplies to the New Orleans community and our friends at OnPath Federal Credit Union. These items included 12 generators, 90 gallons of fuel, tarps, water, nonperishable food and other relief supplies that might be needed by those impacted by the storm. Team members Johan Boelig, Stephen Brown, Rex Burt, Jonathan Dubuc, Berry Ellis, Josh Hornsby and Daniel Malone banded together to ensure relief supplies made it safely to New Orleans.

"Being a part of the Credit Union movement means so much to me personally," said Jonathan Dubuc, VP of Strategic Management. "The mission of *People Helping People* is something that I try to live out on a day-to-day basis, and when the opportunity presented itself to put this mission to action, I was honored to be part of it. I'm incredibly proud to be a part of a company that doesn't just speak this mission but lives it as well. Being in a position to provide families in need with critical items meant the world to me."

The Gulf Winds volunteers took two vehicles and rented a moving truck to carry supplies for the three-and-a-half-hour trip. OnPath Federal Credit Union team members welcomed the volunteers and helped unload. The team at OnPath expressed their gratitude in a Facebook post; "We'd like to send a huge shout-out to CEO Chris Rutledge, Facilities Manager Rex Burt, and their team at Gulf Winds Credit Union based in Florida. We truly appreciate you all for providing us with resources as we work to recover from the damages brought on by Hurricane Ida. That's what the credit union movement is about #peoplehelpingpeople."

OnPath is providing the donated items to support their staff impacted by the storm and plans to share the resources with their members and the local community.

About Gulf Winds:

Since 1954, Gulf Winds Credit Union has offered products and services that empower our members to live their best financial lives. Gulf Winds provides 76,000+ members with the convenience of 13 branch locations, online and mobile banking, nationwide surcharge-free ATMs and the support of more than 200 knowledgeable

employees committed to providing "Service That Soars Above." Membership is open to anyone that lives, works, worships or attends school in North Florida, Southern Alabama and Southern Georgia. Visit <u>GoGulfWinds.com</u> for more information.

About OnPath Federal Credit Union:

OnPath Federal Credit Union was chartered in 1961 by employees of Avondale Shipyard, Inc. as ASI Federal Credit Union. For 60 years we have served the community, bringing financial education, products and services to individuals and families across Southeast Louisiana. Today, OnPath FCU holds more than \$300M in assets, has more than 64,000 members, and offers its membership to anyone who lives, works, worships, or attends school in Southeast Louisiana, with 10 branch locations in four parishes. To learn more about OnPath Federal Credit Union visit https://www.beonpath.org/

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