

TEXSAR RESPONDS TO THE HILL COUNTRY FLOODS

JULY 2025



On the morning of July 4, 2025, rising waters along the Guadalupe River swept through Kerr and Kendall counties, while additional rainfall brought widespread flooding across the Hill Country over the following days.

TEXSAR deployed personnel and resources throughout the region on the 4th, and in the days that followed. Our volunteers answered the call alongside local officials and partner agencies, working tirelessly in rescue and recovery efforts.

It was a time that has tested the strength and resolve of our communities. Yet the heartbreak was felt not only across Texas, but by people around the world who watched and reached out with compassion and support.

Because of that support, **from people like you**, every action in the field was made possible. Our network of donors, families, and organizations who believe in TEXSAR's mission enabled us to respond when Texas needed help most.

We are forever grateful to:

- The agencies who called on us.
- Those we worked beside in the field.
- The organizations and volunteers who kept teams fed.
- The kind strangers who opened their doors for rest and showers.
- The employers who gave our volunteers time away to serve.
- The families who held down the fort at home.
- Those who donated, your support has been felt in ways words can't fully express.

And to the TEXSAR volunteers, board, and staff, your dedication is unmatched. You've shown what it truly means to serve with heart, strength, and resilience.

This book is a reflection of the hard work, perseverance, and compassion that define the TEXSAR team. To everyone who stepped up in the face of heartbreak to support the beloved Texas Hill Country community, thank you. You showed up. And that makes all the difference.

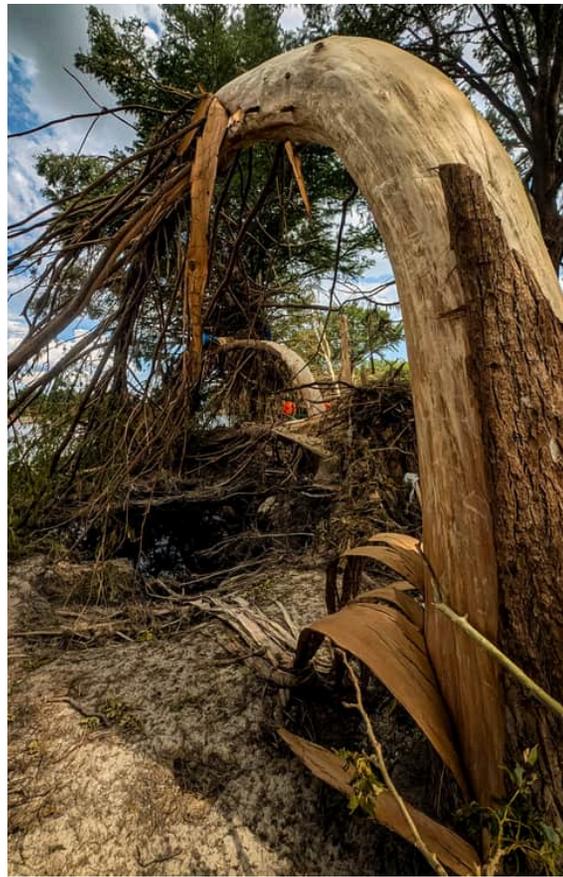
- THE TEXSAR TEAM



The kindness and encouraging words reflected in the following pages comes from supporters across the globe. Words like these fueled our teams as they worked tirelessly, day after day, to support their fellow Texans.

DEPLOYED:
138 VOLUNTEERS
DROVE:
111,857 MILES
VOLUNTEERED:
7,390 HOURS

TOTAL DAYS:
20
COUNTIES:
KERR, BURNET, &
SAN SABA



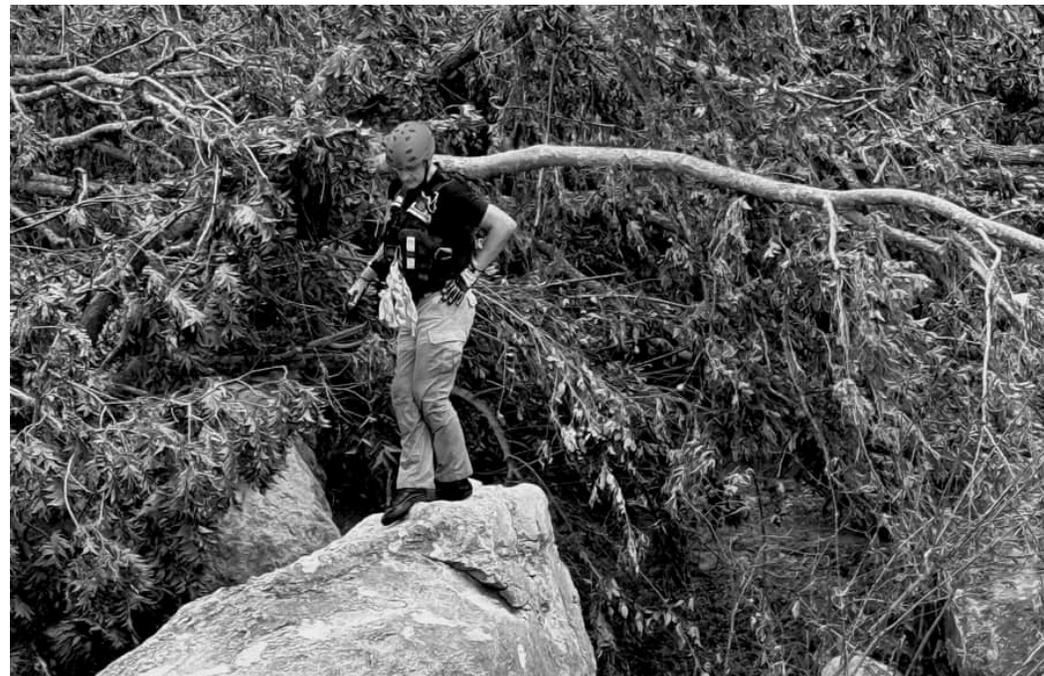
"Words aren't enough to thank you all for the time and energy you put into helping others. We are grateful for your sacrifices and all that you do."



**K9
HOURS DEPLOYED:
1,055**

"Thank you for your response work with the Kerr County floods and everything else you do to support our communities."





"Thank you for the generous donation of your time and effort to help those in Kerr County and other counties affected by this flooding."



"Thank you for your selfless service to the hard hit Kerr County community. Your good deeds are greatly appreciated. Be careful out there."

“To the ‘ground pounders’: God bless you for your heroism and dedication.”



“As a person that went through superstorm Sandy and Hurricane Maria, Texas Search and Rescue is critical at this time of need. Please support.”



AGENCY COLLABORATION

TEXSAR WORKED ALONGSIDE
NUMEROUS STATE AND FEDERAL
AGENCIES.





"It is hard to imagine what all of you are going through now and in the future in regards to locating the victims of the July 4th event and bringing answers to the families. We are heartbroken and pray for all of you every day. Please be safe in your great efforts."



"Volunteering in these horrific situations is so selfless. Thank you for doing this dangerous and important work."

“This (donation) is from a 5-year-old girl from Illinois who held a lemonade stand ‘Shelby’s Stand for Texas’ to help the victims of the July 2025 Texas Floods.”



“Dear TEXSAR, Thank you for the work you are undertaking. Please use the enclosed funds to support your mission in the flood search and rescue mission centering on Kerr County and surrounding areas.
Use the funds as needed where most needed.

Our small country church in western New York is familiar with the devastating effects of flash floods. Blessedly, not to the extent you are coping with in Texas. Our prayers are uplifting you and the folks affected every day.”



DEDICATED TEAMWORK

TEXSAR WORKED ALONGSIDE ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS MARK9 FROM DALLAS/FORTWORTH AND ALPHA SEARCH + RECOVERY FROM HOUSTON TO SUPPORT SEARCH EFFORTS. THANK YOU TO THESE TEAMS FOR ALL THEIR HARDWORK!

"Even when we can't do much, we can always do something. Thank you for all you do!"

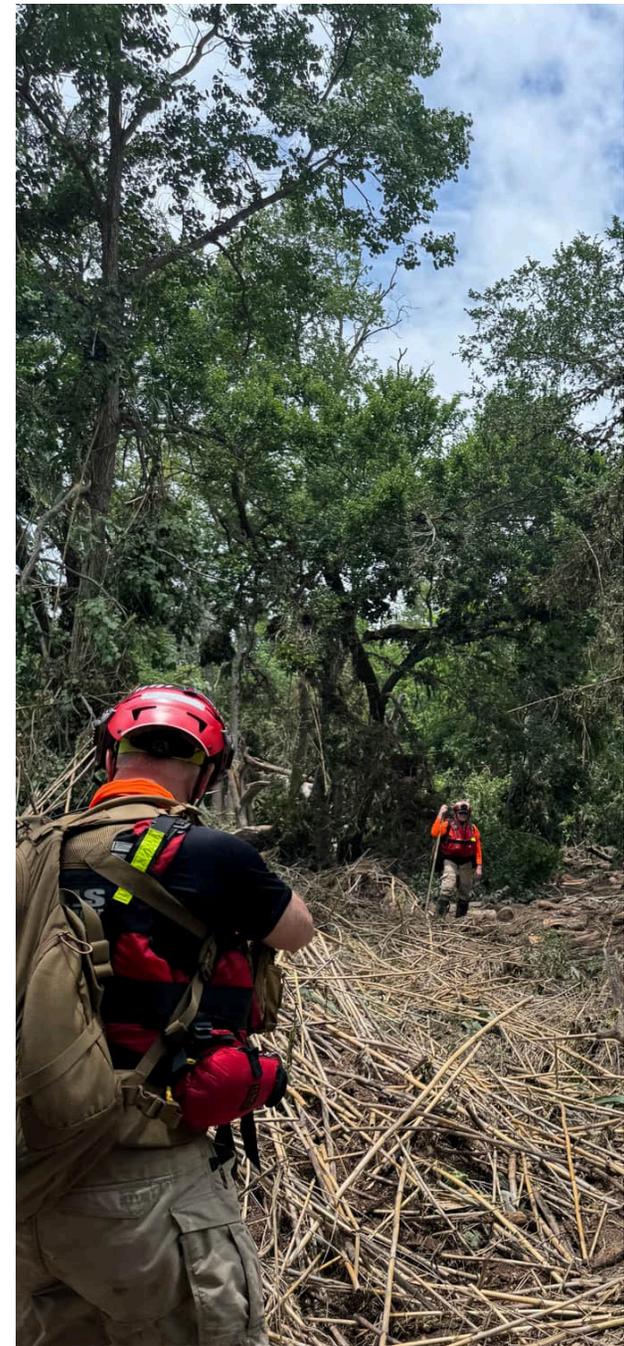


"Thanks for all TEXSAR is doing during this terrible tragedy - that would be much worse without organizations like yours."



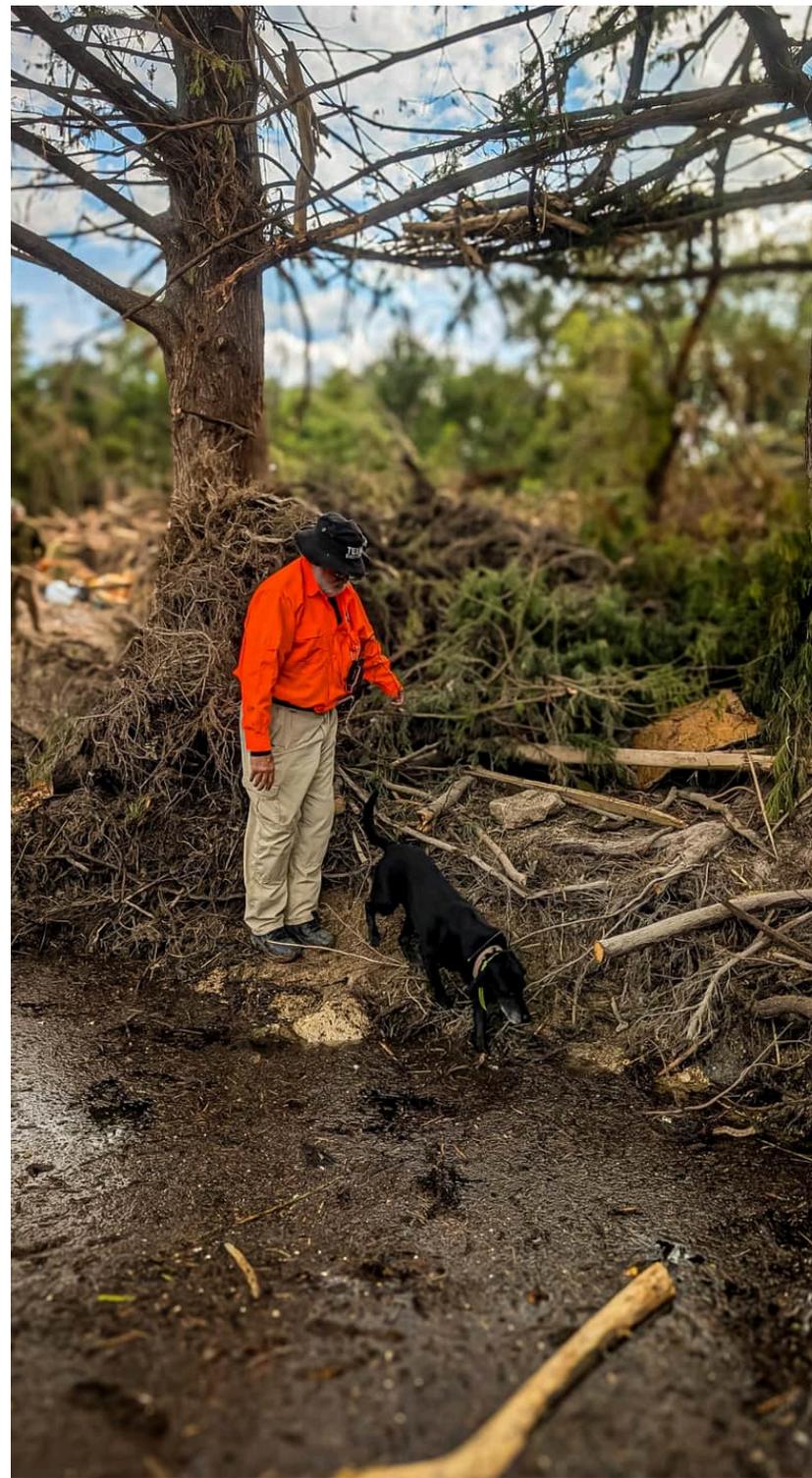


“Thank you so much for your efforts during this disaster. Each and every one of you are making a difference, especially to the victims and families.”



"We admire and appreciate the work you are doing in Central Texas and wherever else you're needed. There's no way to fund the courage and heart in your work, but these funds can provide for the tools needed to accomplish your goals."

"I (10 year-old) knew people were missing and really wanted to help you help their families."
She raised money at a lemonade stand.





"Praying for each of you and over all the work of your hands in helping our brothers and sisters through this tragedy."



"Your organization is diligent and relentless to search in all areas above and below the surface. Thank you for all you do to rescue and recover."



"Strength and Peace to all the search and rescue (SAR) folks. You are willingly going into hell to help them, regardless of what you see. You're super heroes."



"Thank you and God bless you for the crucial and unwavering work y'all are doing in the aftermath of the Texas Hill Country flooding."



"Lone Star State - you are not alone! God bless your efforts, Be safe doing the Lord's work."

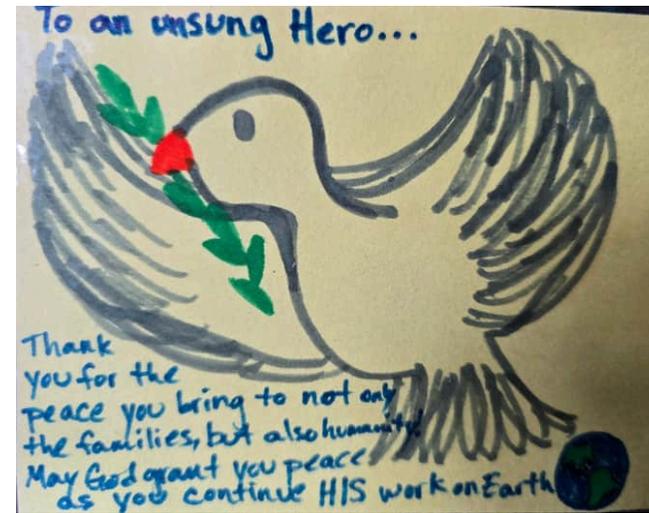
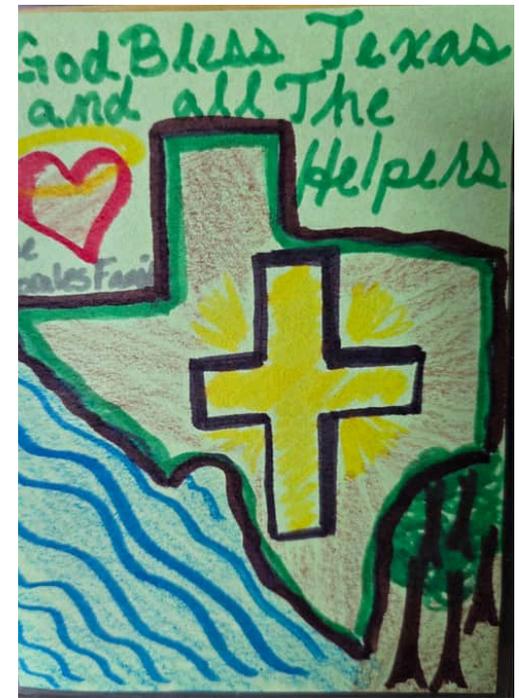
COMMUNITIES SHOWED UP

INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS FROM ALL OVER SHOWED UP WITH SUPPLIES, MEALS, SERVICES, AND MORE, ENSURING EVERYONE HELPING WAS WELL CARED FOR.





Thank you for helping to save lives I admire your hard work. I want to help people also now that I see so many people coming together to help



TO: The helpers
Thinking of you and you are a present to people
Keep going you got this Keep doing what you are good at keep making people feel better
thank you for all the help

Thank you for helping from corner.
Thank you for helping.
from Hannah5

Congratulations! You save hundreds of lives! Since you did all that work, I present to you, your thank you card (batteries not included), well that's ok because cards don't need batteries! And neither does this! (but it requires a lot of effort)

Dear: Helpers awesome
Thank You helpers You're doing amazing work You could be going away but You are helping people safe so they can survive their life thank you so much from: Zillah
amazing wow



IN MEMORIAM

In memory of those lost to the floods. Our hearts remain with the families, friends, and communities forever changed. The work we do is hard, and the devastation is real, but the tragedy is never lost on us. We'll never stop showing up.



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