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Veteran-led Team Rubicon Supporting Flood Clean-Up Efforts in Gibson City, IL

GIBSON CITY, IL (August 15, 2021) – Team Rubicon, a veteran-led disaster response organization, is providing support to Gibson City for flooding that occurred as a result of heavy rain on August 12th, 2021. Severe thunderstorms dumped nine inches of rain in parts of southern Ford County, IL including Gibson City. This heavy rain event resulted in significant flooding making most roads in the area impassable. Numerous homes and businesses were flooded to the point that water rescues were necessary for several citizens.

A Team Rubicon Task Force will assist with damage assessment and flood clean-up in Gibson City and the surrounding area starting on August 16th, 2021. The Task Force will be led by Jarrett Brown who will coordinate with state, county, and local authorities. The response is expected to last until the 30th of August. 30 Team Rubicon volunteers will be operating out of the Gibson City Fire Department.

About Team Rubicon

Team Rubicon serves communities by mobilizing veterans to continue their service by leveraging their skills and experience to help people prepare, respond, and recover from disasters and humanitarian crises. Founded following the Haiti earthquake in 2010, the organization has grown to over 140,000 volunteers across the United States and has launched over 700 operations both domestically and internationally. Amidst the COVID-19 outbreak, Team Rubicon has not only pivoted to be able to continue to deliver disaster response and rebuild services in core mission areas but has also expanded their scope of missions to meet community needs brought about by COVID. Visit www.teamrubiconusa.org for more information.

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