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Cotton Cares

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Cotton has been humbled by the immense support that Houston and the greater Gulf Coast region has received locally and nationally in the form of monetary donations, food, water, clothing, school supplies and other needed goods. When times of tragedy occur, the [Cotton Foundation](#) also steps in to support the local communities we work in, providing aid beyond Cotton's core restoration services.

Last month, [Cotton Ranch Events](#) partnered with Foxmark Corporation to store and distribute donations that were driven 1200 miles all the way from Illinois! Concerned citizens and volunteers from the generous community of Orland Hills rallied together and collected enough water, cleaning supplies, toiletries and household goods to fill six trucks! Because of their efforts, families from a local school district received critical items needed to help them through their recovery.

Additionally, Cotton has partnered with Team Never Quit on *Operation 100*, a home

restoration project for a United States military veteran whose home was severely flooded, forcing him to relocate days before his 100th birthday. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the next couple of weeks and we are honored by the opportunity to give back to this local hero who served our country so selflessly.

Ahead this weekend, Cotton Ranch Events is hosting [Renewal Day](#), a collaborative effort by various charitable and corporate partners in Houston to provide clothing to local professional women who were impacted by Hurricane Harvey. A city-wide wardrobe drive was organized and hundreds of new or nearly-new suits, business-appropriate apparel and accessories were collected. The complimentary shopping event will be held at [Cotton's World Headquarters in Katy](#), Texas on Sunday, October 15th. We encourage women in the community to spread the word to those in need to give them a day of renewal and hope for tomorrow. Details can be found at [renewinghopeafterharvey.com](#).

Other projects and events are in the works for the foreseeable calendar. The Cotton Foundation is actively raising money to distribute gifts this Christmas to children who lost their toys and belongings as a result of the flooding. Tax deductible donations received on our Cotton Foundation website between now and mid-December will be allocated for this purpose. If you know of a family in need, please contact Julissa Duran at julissa.duran@cottonteam.com so that they might be considered.

Stay informed of our various community events and fundraising opportunities through our website: [cottonfoundation.com](#); and our Facebook page: [facebook.com/cottonfoundation](#).



The Cotton Way

Precision and preparation are what set Cotton apart

Getting a business or organization back online after a hurricane or other high-impact catastrophic event can be challenging, stressful, and costly. Consequently, after a disaster strikes, our clients receive expert attention to protect assets and determine a critical path of recovery that will minimize their interruption to daily operations and their associated revenue loss.

[Cotton Global Disaster Solutions](#) is actively responding to the destruction from Hurricanes Harvey, Lidia, Irma, Nate, and Maria in areas across the United States, Mexico and the Caribbean. At the peak of operations, we were managing a workforce of nearly 3,000 people, all committed to providing our clients with comprehensive and speedy services to get them back to business.

Whether we are restoring a small storefront, a functioning hospital, or a multi-level commercial office tower, our clients will see Cotton GDS's commitment through our

- 24/7 preparedness to respond to disasters and begin implementation of recovery measures in a strategically effective way;
- continued professional development and skills of the company's highly trained and certified staff;
- ability to maintain jobsite safety through hazard assessments, planning, training and strict oversight of process implementation on every project;
- compliance with all federal, state and local regulations; and
- achievement of surpassing client expectations on every project through communication and quality.

We know that the recent months have been a tremendous test for our clients in the affected areas, and we want to thank you for choosing Cotton. We are committed, we are relentless, and we strive to continue to be of value to you as much as we can, wherever we can.

If you or anyone you know is still in need of commercial property restoration services, call us at (800) 208-4182 or visit cottongds.com.



Wash away your day!

Keep your crew fresh and comfortable with our logistical support assets

Adequate sanitation facilities can be difficult to procure for complex disaster response scenarios or operations being conducted in remote locations. [Cotton Logistics'](#) turnkey capabilities are not only limited to [temporary housing](#), but we also offer other [logistical support](#) assets such as restroom trailers, shower trailers, and laundry trailers.

Our 48-foot long laundry trailers include ten heavy-duty washer and dryer units each, with the ability to handle large volumes of laundry. This onsite amenity allows your workforce to have the comfort and peace of mind knowing that their clothes and linens are clean. Our portable shower trailers with 18 showering units, can be quartered off to provide male and female areas, giving comfort and privacy. A variety of portable restrooms including trailer set ups and single units can also be delivered to your location.

The satisfaction and morale of the individuals supporting your operation are critical to your production and success. Call Cotton Logistics today and see how with one call, all of your portable sanitation requisites can be met: (800) 208-4182 or visit cottonlogistics.com.

COTTON'S FINEST



Gracie Cardenas

Vice President of Human Resources

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Cotton's Finest

Employee Spotlight on Gracie Cardenas

1. What is your role on the Cotton Team? What are three words you would use to describe it?

As Vice President of Human Resources I oversee the HR department and work with the Executive Management and the workforce of the company. Three words that would describe my role are leadership, approachable, and fairness.

2. Where is your favorite place in the world?

My favorite place in the world are my summer trips to Destin, Florida, where I'm beachside with the family.

3. What does "Cottonuity" mean to you?

Cottonuity to me is everyone working together for one purpose. To provide the best service to our client, maintain the best quality product, and respect everyone in the process.

4. How does Cotton go above and beyond for our clients?

Our employees have a true passion for what they do. It is instilled from the start, It is displayed to all by our leaders, and those individual who truly understand It are very successful. It is our passion to do our best and protect the Cotton brand ...this is what makes everyone go above and beyond.

5. Tell us something about yourself that might surprise us!

I'm the Bartender of the family and martinis are my specialty.



Drastic Times Call for Cotton Culinary's Emergency Food Services

Make sure you're prepared when disaster strikes. Learn more about Cotton Culinary's emergency food services.

While no one wants to imagine themselves in an emergency situation, it's important to create a plan for whenever disaster strikes. Food is one of the most important resources you'll need to provide for staff, emergency personnel, and people who have been affected by the disaster. Read on to learn more about how [Cotton Culinary's](#) turnkey [emergency food services](#) can help in these drastic times.

Contact Cotton Culinary When Disaster Strikes

Hurricanes, environmental mishaps, and other natural and human-induced incidents will happen. When disaster strikes and emergency food services are required, let us be your [first call](#) to support recovery operations and put your business, community, or organization onto the road to recovery.

Full Emergency Response

At Cotton Culinary, we provide much more than just food. If a suitable dining area is not available, we can set up [climate-controlled tent](#) structures so people can dine in comfort, whether in extremely hot or cold environments. Other [temporary resources](#), such as portable toilets and showers, potable water, power and fuel can also be provided for a self-sustainable operation. Our services can help those in need to feel more comfortable and safe, even in the toughest environments.

Experienced Staff

Our staff is [highly trained](#) in local, state, federal, and maritime regulations. When you hire us, you'll be hiring team members who are ready and able to respond to help those

affected recover. Besides their certifications, each member has experience working in the fast-paced environment that emergency response creates. Their credentials and expertise allow them to quickly and efficiently respond to those in need.

About Cotton Culinary

Cotton Culinary is a subsidiary of Cotton Holdings, Inc., headquartered in Katy, Texas. Cotton provides a wide range of services for [emergency situations](#) including construction, [temporary housing](#) and staffing, and much more. With regional offices and assets strategically located across North America, we're ready to deploy to any location after a disaster incident. The Cotton brand of companies has over two decades of experience with disaster recovery, and extensive experience in situations like natural disasters, man-made crises and more.

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