



ITS OUR TURN TO STEP UP TO THE PLATE!

When New York was hit by Super Storm Sandy many families had to either move out of their homes or lost them completely. My neighborhood, the South shore of Long Island, was one of the hardest hit in the State. I knew plenty of people who were in trouble and quite a few of them were from my own Post, AMVETS Post 88 of Massapequa. Typically, we tend to stand tall when Americans are in trouble. I was so proud of our Country when tons of donations came in for Long Island, Staten Island and New Jersey but I was especially proud of the AMVETS Dept. of NYs Service Foundation. Money was given out by the Service Foundation to any AMVET who needed help. Now it's our turn to help our neighbors in Texas. I have been in contact with the President of the Service Foundation and the Executive Director of the Dept. of Texas and told them that New York wants to help them. I know my own Post has already formed a Committee to schedule Fund Raisers to assist our brothers in Texas. Houston is the fourth largest city in the country, with many of its citizens being Veterans. If you lived on Long Island you would know the devastation that Sandy caused and some people think Harvey is ten times worse. With that being said, if you want to help you can contact me and I will advise you where to send your donations. I belong to a number of Veteran Organizations, but believe me AMVETS is definitely one of the most generous. I have spoken to Commander Jim Gardner and he agrees with me and stated that this will be one our main topics discussed at the SEC in Binghamton on October 6th and 7th.

Thank You,
Rich Rossi
Executive Director, Dept. of NY