

JACKIE ROBINSON FAMILY YMCA'S EMERGENCY RESPONSE EFFORTS

DONORS HELP BRING IMMEDIATE RELIEF AND SUPPORT TO SAN DIEGO'S SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY



In the wake of the recent record-breaking storm on January 22, 2024, the [Jackie Robinson Family YMCA](#) has been a convener, connector, and unifier for the Southeast San Diego community, providing much-needed resources and support. Staff and volunteers are working together alongside their neighbors to provide essential services and aid to those affected by the damage. As a partner in a collaborative of community-based organizations, our Y opened its doors for community to find a sense of safety during these challenging times.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND CONCRETE SUPPORTS



Received, sorted, and distributed over **300 individual donations**, amassing a total of **2,500+ items**, including bags, boxes, and large items.



Swiftly **secured hotel stays for 402 residents**, including 299 adults and 103 children, ensuring safe, dignified housing for up to two weeks. Residents accessed warm, comfortable hotel rooms **within 3-4 hours**.



Provided **transportation** to support residents in reaching hotels, work, and other essential destinations.



Offering access to **hot showers and hygiene products to 20-30 people per day**.



Provided **mental health support** to residents, volunteers, students, and their families.



Participated in a coordinated effort to provide over **3,000 warm meals**.



Orchestrated teams to **clear trash, debris, drywall, flooring, and cabinets from 25 homes**, minimizing the impact of mold within a tight timeframe.



Filled and distributed **2,000 sandbags** to assist in flood prevention and protection from subsequent storms.

Data reflects all services and supports provided between 1/22/24 - 2/4/24.

COLLABORATIVE COORDINATION



Coordinated **200 volunteers and staff** for tasks related to community outreach, labor, intake, housing, and referral navigation, demonstrating the collective power of community.



Staff and volunteers supported residents, formed genuine relationships, and **created a sense of safety and trust in the process**.



Organized initiatives for volunteers and staff to participate in **cleanup and restoration efforts**, including boots-on-the-ground cleaning crews, coordination, labor, and compassionate support to households vacating unsafe residences.



Advocated and coordinated with public partners across three municipalities and several government agencies.



Provided a **dedicated space for partners to come together**, coordinate efforts, and strategize comprehensive relief initiatives.

Our community partners, Hip Hop H7W 5K, Harvey Foundation, Pillars of the Community, Exhaling Justice, Urban Collaborative, San Diego Food Bank, and Emo Brown Foundation deserve special recognition for their tireless efforts and ground-level initiatives that made a profound and lasting impact from the very beginning.

THANK YOU TO OUR GENEROUS DONORS!

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our generous community of donors whose swift and substantial contributions made all of this possible. Your quick action and support removed barriers, allowing us to nimbly respond to the urgent needs of our community. The impact of your investment in our community reaches far beyond our Y; it resonates within the coordinated efforts of all our partners.

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to the [San Diego Foundation](#), [Alliance Healthcare Foundation](#), [Lucky Duck Foundation](#), and all other contributors who have played an integral role in this collaborative endeavor. Your support has not only made a significant difference in the lives of those affected but has also fortified the spirit of unity and resilience within our community.

