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Shelton Vance, County Administrator
Madison County Board of Supervisors
P.O. Box 608
Canton, MS 39046

Dear Mr. Vance and the Madison County Board of Supervisors:

The mission of the American Red Cross is to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. During the time period from May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019, the American Red Cross has provided **\$39,255 in direct disaster client assistance**, serving a total of **213 individuals in Madison County**. Disaster Services expenditures are broken down as follows: *food, clothing, lodging, medications and disaster-related health care, referrals to community partners and government resources, and other essential items that can be used immediately during recovery.*

All American Red Cross disaster assistance and services are free, made possible by the generosity of donors such as you. Assistance to your community is provided without regard to citizenship, race, religion, age, culture or creed.

In addition to the disaster services we provide, the American Red Cross touches the lives of the people in your area through our Services to the Armed Forces. In this past year, we have provided **146 SAF case services** to members of the military and their families in Madison County. We also provide Preparedness, Health, and Safety classes which make your area a safer place to live. This year, **432 individuals** in Madison County took one of these courses from the Red Cross.

On behalf of the American Red Cross, we thank you for your past support of the vital services provided in your community. We request the Madison County Board of Supervisors consider supporting American Red Cross Disaster Services for residents of Madison County in the amount of **\$39,000**.

We are more than happy to provide a formal presentation regarding our request at one of your upcoming meetings should you like me to. Please let me know so I can be placed on the meeting agenda.

Sincerely,

Michael Upton
Regional Philanthropy Officer

Rachel Word
Regional Chief Executive Officer