

Who are we?

The Southern Baptist Disaster Relief network, which includes more than 83,000 trained volunteers and 2,000 mobile units, is the third largest disaster relief volunteer organization in the U.S.A. It is coordinated nationally by the North American Mission Board in cooperation with state conventions across America and now with the Canadian National Baptist Convention.

Disaster relief units (trailers) are owned and staffed by local Southern Baptist churches, regional Associations and by state Baptist Conventions. Volunteer teams respond to disasters within their own state (in our case any of the six states of New England) and work cooperatively with other states in larger emergencies.

D.R. in New England has been alive since 2000 and now have about nine mobile units with about 300 volunteers in six states. They are trained and prepared in chaplaincy, assessment, feeding, shower/laundry, mud-out and chain saw recovery.



It is FREE... Really!

**All Actions of the
SBC Disaster
Relief Teams will
be performed
FREE OF CHARGE
to qualified
homeowners.**



Chain Saw Services We Provide

A. Determine that a dwelling is recoverable and **can be made safe** enough for Disaster Relief Teams to perform clean-up and Recovery activities.

B. Determine that standard chainsaw recovery activities can provide substantial assistance to the home-owner in helping to return the property to a condition ready for subsequent re-building and safe occupancy.

1. Perform One or more/all of the following actions which constitute the Standard Chainsaw Recovery activities performed by SBC Disaster Relief Teams:

- Removal of trees and brush that may impose a hazard on access to the home.
- Removing Trees from driveways and property nearest home that could impede the rebuild process.
- Chipping of brush when possible.
- Stacking of cut trees for homeowner, if need be, to curbside.

2. Scope of Work. A job order or request and the actions of the Chainsaw team ready the property for rebuilding and seek to **minimize potential dangers for homeowners**— a job order or request **does not** include the actual rebuilding which must occur at a later date!

How Does a Homeowner Qualify?



The Following Conditions **QUALIFY** an owner/structure for SBC Disaster Relief Job Order Assignment/approval:

1. The structure/property must be a single family dwelling, owner occupied, in a recognized/declared/certified tornado damaged disaster area.
2. The owner (or authorized representative) must make arrangements to be present for job assessment and for interaction with the Team Leader during job work activity.
3. The owner (or authorized representative) must complete a "**Property Owner Job Order Approval**" form and submit it through the appropriate community/city/state/government agency for certification and subsequent prioritization and scheduling. (Scheduling priority is based on

need rather than first-come-first serve).

4. Property owner must coordinate with local agencies and authorities for removal of debris from curbside or with other means.

