

Harvey Questions to Ask

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Ideas for questions to ask:

1. *Does everyone in your family have shoes? If not, can I pick some up? What size?*
2. *Do you have anyone coming to help you cut out walls? If not, can I call a few water mitigation companies to get quotes for you?*
3. *Do you have laundry I can wash?*
4. *I have hand me downs or access to donated clothes, what sizes would be helpful?*
5. *Can I help arrange playdates for your kids?*
6. *Do you have any medications you would like me to call about getting replaced?*
7. *I'm making a trip to HEB today, please tell me 3 things I can pick up for you.*
8. *Can I pack school lunches for your child this week?*
9. *Is there anywhere I could give you a ride to?*
10. *I'd like to take you to pickup your rental car. Please call me when it's available.*
11. *Please call me when you are ready for a ride home after you drop off your rental car.*

Check in with your friend or those you have worked with a week or two later. There is a lot of help at the beginning. After a few weeks life goes back to normal for most, but flooded families are still trying to find a new normal and may be moving in to apartments or juggling car research before a big purchase etc...

Wording: try to frame things like 'can I bring you dinner tonight?' vs 'do you need dinner tonight?' it's just wording, but it feels different and the sensitivity makes a huge difference.

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