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## Volunteers needed for Duluth storm recovery!

[Duluth, MN] - Help Duluth families and individuals impacted by the 2016 summer storm by working with Team Rubicon <u>**TODAY**</u> Tuesday, August 2. Team Rubicon is a rapid response team comprised of veterans who give back to the community following disasters. The Team is in Duluth this week and is in need of more volunteers to join them with debris mitigation. Interested persons will get to work with and learn from this experienced group of veterans and feel great about helping the community.

Due to the rain, interested volunteers can check in by 1:00 PM at the Duluth Heights Community Center located at 33 W. Mulberry Street to be assigned to work teams. Volunteers are encouraged to volunteer for as much of the day as their schedule allows and to check-out from their assignments accordingly. All volunteers, however, must be available to start at 1:00 PM.

Assignments will include hauling tree and brush material which include bending, stooping, heavy lifting and walking on uneven terrain. Volunteers are asked to bring gloves and safety glasses, if available. Long pants and closed-toe shoes are required. Please dress for the weather, wear sunscreen and bug protectant.

Pre-registration is encouraged, as there is only capacity for 25 volunteers to help with this project. To reserve your spot, please call 218-730-4334 or email <u>cskafte@duluthmn.gov</u>.

**About Team Rubicon:** Team Rubicon's primary mission is providing disaster relief to those affected by natural disasters, be them domestic or international. By pairing the skills and experiences of military veterans with first responders, medical professionals, and technology solutions, Team Rubicon aims to provide the greatest service and impact possible.

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