As you've heard, the tornado in Jasper and Newton Counties resulted in at least 125 deaths and from \$1 to \$3 billion in damage to the Joplin area. Persistent rains have added flooding to situation.

FEMA reports that monetary donations are the <u>best way</u> (http://blog.fema.gov/2011/05/how-to-help-tornado-survivors-in-joplin.html) to meet the needs of tornado survivors at this time. In response, the Missouri State 4-H Council is donating all <u>Kids Helping Kids</u>

(http://4h.missouri.edu/foundation/grants/kids.shtml) proceeds between now and July 1 to provide some level of focused relief to 4-H families affected by this disaster. Kids Helping Kids is a fund devoted to helping Missouri 4-H members and their families in times of need by providing financial grants to 4-H families who have been impacted by natural disasters, medical emergencies or other similar circumstances. The Missouri 4-H Foundation (http://4h.missouri.edu/foundation) encourages your support of this effort, and will match all contributions up to a total of \$5,000.

Donations may also be made by check or credit card. Checks made out to the "Missouri 4-H Foundation," noting "Kids Helping Kids" on the memo line can be sent to the Missouri 4-H Foundation, 819 Clark Hall, Columbia, MO, 65211. Credit card donations may be made using the easy-to-follow steps outlined on the next page.

Thank you for your consideration and best regards as we work to help these 4-H children and their families.

## **Donating with a Credit Card**

1. Go to the Foundation website and click the "Make a Gift" button



2. Click the PayPal Donate Button



3. Enter an amount in the Donation Amount box, and click the Update Total button. This part is critical.



- 4. Fill out the information as it appears on your credit card billing statement.
- 5. Click "Review Donation and Continue"
- 5. On the next page, you will see in tiny print "+Please add instructions for your gift"



Click on this link and a text box will appear. This is where you may add instructions for the gift (example: "For disaster relief in Joplin").

Finally, after reviewing your information and instructions, click the orange "Donate \$xx.xx USD Now" button.

You will receive an email afterward with a receipt from PayPal.