

## **Oregon Community - Grand Peaks at Sisters - Rallies Fellow Pickleball Fans to Donate Disaster Relief Funds**

*Pickleballers launch campaign to direct monies to communities in need across the country via established disaster relief fund*

Sisters, Oregon – September 13, 2017 – [Grand Peaks at Sisters](#), the nation’s newest pickleball community based in Sisters, Oregon, is asking for its sister pickleball communities across the nation to donate to help victims of the various natural disasters across the United States. Close to home, the forest fires across the state of Oregon are raging, along with destructive fires in Montana. Further afield, victims of Hurricane Harvey in Texas and Hurricane Irma in Florida are also in need of assistance.

With millions displaced and without basic services, monies raised from this campaign will go directly to [Lutheran Disaster Response](#). This long-established team provides direct community-based relief and collaborates with other organizations to meet immediate needs all the way through long-term recovery.

Neil Amondson, partner in Grand Peaks, said, “With a long track record of supporting those affected by natural disasters, we are now drawing on our shared love of pickleball to bring this campaign to fruition. Our goal is to raise significant funds to help anyone in need affected by recent fires and storms to restore their lives.”

One hundred percent of funds donated to the campaign will go directly to the national Lutheran Disaster Response. (PayPal fees will be absorbed by [Saint Luke Church](#).) This organization:

- provides care for people who have been affected by a disaster and for leaders who respond to a disaster;
- coordinates volunteers through its local affiliates; and
- provides long-term recovery efforts by addressing the unmet needs months or even years after a disaster strikes.

Pickleball is the fastest-growing sport in the nation: current estimates say the sport has more than 2.5 million players, up from only 30,000 players five years ago. Its growth has been attributed to its addictiveness, the social nature of the game and its appeal for all ages. Grand Peaks is the first Oregon community to be founded with pickleball as its centerpiece.

**Donations can be made online via PayPal by visiting [www.grandpeaksatsisters.com](http://www.grandpeaksatsisters.com).**

### **About Grand Peaks at Sisters**

Oregon’s first private pickleball community, Grand Peaks at Sisters is located in the heart of

Oregon in the small town of Sisters. Grand Peaks features private pickleball courts and luxury homes that are both contemporary and mountain modern, with upscale finishes and amenities. The community is being developed by [Hunter Renaissance Development LLC](#), a venture between the principals of Hunter Investments LLC and The Renaissance Companies, whose combined experiences range from urban infill to small town Main Street resurgence to industrial rail projects. The company has a history of philanthropic giving that includes spearheading support for victims of natural disasters (including Hurricane Sandy relief, Joplin, Missouri tornado relief, Washington, Illinois tornado relief) and have co-founded nonprofits honoring and supporting military veterans and troops (including Honor Flight Chicago and We Do Care) as well as founding Renaissance Social Services in support of affordable housing.

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