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\$46,000 RAISED FOR TORNADO VICTIMS IN "RISE UP RALEIGH" BENEFIT



Raleigh, NC – June 3, 2011 - When tornadoes ripped through North Carolina on April 16, 2011, they left behind \$115 million in damages in Raleigh alone. The outbreak was one of the largest in US history, spawning 241 twisters over 14 states in a 3-day period. The devastation has been staggering.

Disaster One, which had begun restoration and repairs on affected businesses and homes, partnered with the City of Raleigh just weeks later to present "**Rise Up Raleigh**," a June 3 concert and celebration with three purposes:

- Benefit tornado victims
- Thank the first responders and volunteers who helped with recovery
- Celebrate the Raleigh spirit of optimism and togetherness

Approximately \$46,000 was raised from the event. Proceeds went to the Salvation Army of Wake County, Centro International de Raleigh, The Inter-Faith Food Shuttle, and Helping Hand Mission.

"Rise Up Raleigh" featured concerts from an incredible lineup of talent at the Downtown Raleigh Amphitheater. Employees from Disaster One's Raleigh office were on hand to lend support collecting donations. They also provided a display for concertgoers to see some of the tools of the trade used to restore homes and businesses damaged by tornadoes.

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ABOUT DISASTER ONE

Disaster One is a privately owned and operated restoration company serving commercial and residential clients since 1977. It is a fully licensed, insured and bonded general contractor providing restoration services ranging from simple water damage to reconstruction after a major fire. Headquartered Greensboro, NC, Disaster One also has offices in Raleigh, Charlotte, and Atlanta.

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