## **BMW CCA Support for Helene Victims**

The tragic events of the past few weeks have highlighted how quickly things can change for any of us, and how significantly weather-related events can impact large communities of people. Hurricane Helene has devastated portions of Western North Carolina and the surrounding areas, causing loss of life and property that would have been unimaginable until recently. While nothing can be done to replace the lives lost and the physical and emotional distress caused by this force of nature, we offer our condolences, prayers and hopes for a speedy recovery to our neighbors in the affected areas.

We are also reminded of all the good which can come from working together, and how valuable contributions both big and small are to creating a better tomorrow. To that end, the Tarheel Chapter of the BMW CCA is contributing approximately \$10,000.00 to the Red Cross Relief Fund established to help the victims of the storm. It is also with gratitude that we can report that the National BMW CCA has agreed to match that donation, in solidarity with the great people of The Old North State.

Every day is a step toward improving the situation in western North Carolina. We appreciate the outpouring of support from club members to others who are in desperate need at a difficult time. This is a reflection of the best in all of us. As Paul Dunlevy, President of the Tarheel Chapter, noted upon approval of the donation, "you folks are terrific, and I am proud to be associated with this great team".

If you want to add to this contribution, the Red Cross can be accessed here.

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