

Connie at the West Mystic post office was a little busier Thursday morning, April 25th as Serve!, Inc., a non profit organization located in New London and Washington Counties, arrived with boxes of donations on route to West, Texas. Over the past few days Deborah Hadden, President of Serve!, has been conferencing with Cynthia Evans of the First Baptist Church of West, Texas regarding the damage sustained in last weeks explosion and what they needed to assist with recovery.

Cynthia revealed that 3 out of the 4 schools in their small town were rendered useless or destroyed in the blast. Cynthia stated “ K - 6th grades were being held at the one school left in town and the 7th to 12th graders were being bused 50 miles to the next nearest town”. Serve, who usually assists One Room Schoolhouses throughout the United States, was quick to respond to the needs of the students of West with snack items for the school children’s lunches, school supplies for their classrooms and a variety of games and puzzles for their entertainment.

In another conversation, Cynthia discussed the water issues that the town is presently experiencing. A local Texas organization laid pipe across the landscape bringing fresh water to the town for the citizens showers. Serve!, Inc. has now provided the personal hygiene items to go with those showers.

In a massive mailing, which will arrive at the First Baptist Church of West on Saturday April 27th , Serve provided 2,388 items we hope will provide some measure of relief to our fellow Americans.

It is important to the members of Serve!, Inc. to thank the organizations and community for their continued support of our organization as without that support we could not have answered this call.

Those organizations assisting in this giving include: Noank Community Market; Eagles’ Nest; the members of the Westerly Chorus; the Main Street House of Noank; St. Mary’s; St. Claire’s; Mc Quade’s of Mystic; Debbie Flower of Tennessee; Christ Church; St. Pius school; Walmart of Groton and the Dime Bank.