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# Share your experience or tell your story

## Your story

Hi, After hearing the call for people with boats on Monday 28th of February on ABC radio about 6.30am. I hitched up my 3.7m boat with my 20hp motor and drove to the Lismore Heights Bowling Club were I was met by SES persons and they took my details and sent a SES person with me to perform rescues in Lismore.

I can't tell how many people we rescued

throughout the day but I was continually motoring the boat from the bridge were we picked up the people from South Lismore . The people we were rescuing were extremely distressed, cold and wet. They often broke down and cried when we dropped them off to dry land. The force of the water flowing down the river was like being in rapids and crossing was dangerous. You could feel the bridge vibrating while we were picking people up there.

Finishing this I really don't want to do this ever again and would like to see Lismore Moved to High ground were the people would be safe and not put other in danger to rescue them.

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