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With \$5 million, author John Grisham started the Rebuild the Coast Fund Organization to help Mississippians rebuild their homes. “You realize you can’t save the world, so you find a small area you can go into and hopefully do some good,” he told the *Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal*.

Grisham is among celebrities who are taking a hands-on approach. The author and his wife will work directly with the Tupelo bank administrating funds, including hiring a “small staff” — initially from those Mississippians who lost jobs because of Katrina.