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## March 3 Tornado in Cookeville

In the early morning hours of Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> a EF4 tornado touched down in neighboring Putnam County, leaving a path of death and destruction like never seen in our area before.

The massive storm claimed 18 lives, injured approximately 100 other victims, and destroyed some 180 buildings including many homes.

WLIV began coverage of the disaster the morning of March 6<sup>th</sup> and continued its coverage over a period of days that followed. In addition to broadcasting information such as where sleeping shelter would be available, locations giving out cases of drinking water, and shelters serving food, WLIV AM and FM also followed closely the information being released to the public as to the status of efforts to restore power and other utilities where possible, and information about a visit from state and federal officials to survey the damage and offer state and federal assistance.

The March 6<sup>th</sup> storm was unequaled in our area in its massive destruction, claiming of lives, and destroying almost entire neighborhoods.

WLIV AM and FM provided this on-going conerage to inform our listeners in the affected areas.

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