



After Hurricane Florence ripped through Wilmington, North Carolina, several buildings on the UNC Campus there had incurred major damage. One call to NorthStar is all it took.

In October of 2018 hurricane Florence made landfall over Wilmington, North Carolina. Along the storm's path was the University of North Carolina's Wilmington Campus. Strong winds and torrential rain caused major damage to almost every building on the campus. Once the storm had passed, facilities personnel on campus realized that substantial roof damage was leading to significant secondary damages and that it was time to call NorthStar.

Once on site, NorthStar utilized various types of technology including drones and thermal imaging devices to begin assessing the damage. In total, 175 university rooftops were damaged, both on and off campus.

	Wilmington, North Carolina
	University of North Carolina at Wilmington
	2018
	\$4,500,000+
	Zero OSHA Recordables

Of those 175 rooftops, 60 had incurred substantial damage.

Nearly every damaged roof required emergency tarping to mitigate secondary damages to the interior of the structure. NorthStar was able to leverage its national reach to bring in roofing specialists from across the country to assist with the recovery process. Along with a labor force of over 90 specialized tradesmen, NorthStar also mobilized thirty 80' articulating boom lifts to assist with the repairs and to serve as anchor points while personnel were working on the rooftops.

Over the course of the project, NorthStar implemented 24 hour shifts 7 days a week in an effort to complete repairs and maintain continuity for the students and faculty. Special consideration was taken for the students residing on campus and the residence halls were made a priority. Students were displaced for a mere 6 weeks before being readmitted to live in the various residence halls on campus. NorthStar was able to complete all repairs that were necessary to allow classes to resume and to ensure that the entire academic semester was not lost. Working hand-in-hand with the campus facilities team, NorthStar completed all roof-related repairs and ensured that all affected structures were safe and ready to resume full operation.



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