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SPECIAL EDITION - HAITI DISASTER RELIEF



Friday, January 15, 2010

My Fellow Rotarians:

I know that we have all been saddened by the disastrous earthquake in Haiti. The news reports, the reports from Rotarians in Haiti and the Dominican Republic, and the images in our newspapers and on TV have shocked all of us.

As Rotarians, we want to provide assistance just as we did for the Tsunami, Katrina and numerous other natural disasters. Disaster relief teams are arriving daily, including many Rotarians. Search and Rescue teams with rescue dogs from Canada and the United States are already hard at work searching the rubble for victims. Many have been rescued . . . others were not as lucky. ShelterBox now has a team on the ground in Haiti with nearly 2000 ShelterBoxes scheduled to arrive shortly..

Facebook and other social networking groups are coming together to raise funds to provide much needed aide.

I want to make you aware of the various opportunities for providing aide and relief. Each of these opportunities through Rotary and the American Red Cross will insure that your contributions provide the aide you want to give.

Forward this message to other Rotarians and Rotary clubs, Let's join together to do all we can to help the many hundreds of thousands affected by this disaster with food, water, clothing, shelter and medical supplies. We are Rotarians and this is what we do.

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Please keep the people of Haiti in your thoughts and prayers.

Your Amigo in Mexico City,



Frank J. Devlyn

SHELTERBOX TEAM NOW IN HAITI



[Shelterbox](#) now has a team on the ground in Haiti . The following message was received today from ShelterBox Press Officer, Angelina Lambourn.

Aid workers for the international disaster relief charity ShelterBox are on the ground in Port au Prince, Haiti.

ShelterBox Response Team (SRT) members Dave Eby (US), Wayne Robinson (US) and Mark Pearson (UK) arrived in the island's capital on Thursday, January 14 and have already been in contact with government officials and Rotarians in the country. The Response Team, who are completely self-sufficient, has set up base with the help of a Haitian Rotarian.

Speaking from Port au Prince, David Eby said: 'We're working hard to resolve security, logistics and communications. The city is totally devastated. Our host told us, "There is no more Haiti ."

ShelterBox's Head of Operations John Leach said: 'We spoke with our team in Haiti this morning and already they've been working with other aid agencies and the government to assess where ShelterBoxes are most needed. 'Our priority is now getting logistics in and doing all we can to get it on the island. We're sending a ShelterBox Logistics team into Miami to work and coordinate logistics into Haiti from there.'

ShelterBox's Logistics Manager Richard Lewis added: 'We're doing everything we can to make sure emergency aid reaches the people of Haiti.

'The situation is changing by the minute and we're exploring every single avenue available to us in order to make sure the aid gets on the ground as quickly as possible.'

The ShelterBox Logistics team, made up of SRT members Mark Dyer (US), John Lacquey (US) and Ian Neal (UK), will meet a consignment of ShelterBoxes being flown into Miami, USA and run the logistics into Haiti from there.

930 ShelterBoxes have already been dispatched and are en route to Haiti while another 1,000 are being packed today at ShelterBox HQ by ShelterBox's team of volunteers. Virgin Atlantic is supporting the relief effort by flying hundreds of the ShelterBoxes on their planes.

Sir Richard Branson, President of Virgin Atlantic, said: "Everyone who has seen the sheer destruction in Haiti over the last few days will have been moved to help in any way they can. We will fly in as much aid as possible so that the agencies on the ground can respond to the needs of everyone in Haiti whose lives have been devastated by this tragedy."

With the need in Haiti growing each day, there are millions of people in need of emergency shelter. ShelterBox Founder Tom Henderson, OBE, says support at this time is crucial. "The support we've seen in the last few days has been staggering," he said. "It's all hands on deck for ShelterBox right across the globe. People in Haiti need our help and we will not stop until they get it. If you can help, in any way at all, I'd urge you to do so."

A ShelterBox can be purchased online at <http://www.shelterboxusa.org> for \$1000 \$US. Pass the hat at your next club meeting and have your club members make a contribution then make up the difference with club funds and purchase a ShelterBox. [Read the story](#) of one club with only 20 members that did this yesterday. Their District Governor has not challenged every club in the district to match the contribution. Remember that each ShelterBox provides shelter, bedding, cooking utensils, water purification, dishes, a portable stove, and other living essentials for up to 10

people. The nearly 2000 ShelterBoxes now on their way to Haiti will provide shelter for 20,000 people. Of course, many more will be needed. Their web site also allows you to donate in smaller amounts. Your box will be numbered and you'll be notified where it was used.

TRF CREATES "HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF FUND"



The Rotary Foundation has established the [Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund](#), a donor advised fund, to streamline the flow of contributions from U.S. Rotarians.

The fund will be directed by account holders who will work with local Rotary clubs and districts, as well as emergency relief agencies, to meet the most pressing needs of people in affected areas.

[CLICK HERE](#) to download the complete informational package with full instructions on how to contribute to this fund.

NOTE: Only U.S. Rotarians and U.S. Rotary Clubs are eligible to contribute to this fund.

DONATE TO HAITI RELIEF ON YOUR CELL PHONE



If you live in the U.S.A. and have a cell phone, you can donate to the American Red Cross International Fund by simply sending a text message. All you have to do is text the word **HAITI** to the following number **90999** and your next cell phone bill will be charged \$10.00 and the money will be deposited with the American Red Cross International Fund. In the first 48 hours, more than \$5 Million dollars was raised just by texting!

Do it now, tell your fellow Rotarians about it. At your next club meeting have everyone pull out their cell phones and send the text message. It's fast, it's easy, and it is not expensive but it all adds up.

In total, the American Red Cross International Fund has raised more than \$35 Million for Haiti Disaster Relief and the first \$10 Million has already been released to provide relief.

DONATE TO ROTARY DISTRICT 7020 (HAITI)



Rotary District 7020 has established a Haiti Relief Fund. For complete instructions on how to send funds directly to the District by check and wire transfer, [CLICK HERE](#) to access all of the information you'll need.

YOU can also visit their web site and keep up with what Rotary is doing in the area. [CLICK HERE](#) to go to the web site

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