



**American  
Red Cross**

## **Red Cross Response to the Earthquake in Haiti**

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### **Our Response**

The American Red Cross has pledged \$1 million to assist those in Haiti. The Red Cross is also:

- making available all the relief supplies at its warehouse in Panama (enough for 5,000 families) in support of relief efforts. These supplies include blankets, kitchen sets, and water containers to meet immediate needs of survivors.
- sending a disaster specialist immediately to Haiti to support response efforts.
- putting several experienced disaster specialists on standby to be deployed if requested.
- putting staff on the ground in Haiti and is working to obtain information on the situation.
- monitoring the situation and communicate with the Haiti Red Cross and International Federation for future immediate action.



### **News**

[American Red Cross – Online Disaster Newsroom](#)

### **Inquiries regarding US Citizens living or traveling in Haiti**

- Inquiries concerning U.S. Citizens abroad should be referred to the U.S. Department of State, Office of Overseas Citizens services, at 1-888-407-4747 or 202-647-5225

### **Inquiries regarding non-US Citizens in Haiti**

- At this time inquiries to search for loved ones missing in Haiti are **not** being accepted.
- The Red Cross family linking response in Haiti will focus on allowing people in the earthquake affected areas to contact their relatives abroad.

### **Volunteering**

At this time, we are only deploying Red Cross volunteers specially trained to manage international emergency operations. Please consider supporting your community's local needs by volunteering with your local Red Cross.

### **How You Can Help**

For an international response, a monetary gift is the best way to help those in need. Certain in-kind donations may not be appropriate for cultural, political, economic or administrative reasons. You can help the victims of countless crises around the world each year by making a financial gift to the American Red Cross International Response Fund, which will provide immediate relief and long-term support through supplies, technical assistance and other support to help those in need. The American Red Cross honors donor intent. If you wish to designate your donation to a specific disaster, please do so at the time of your donation.

**Donations may be sent to the Wilkes-Alleghany Chapter of the American Red Cross, P.O. Box 258, Wilkesboro, NC 28697 or made directly to the American Red Cross at;**

- 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)
- 1-800-257-7575 (Spanish)
- Online at [redcross.org](http://redcross.org)
- Mail: American Red Cross P.O. Box 37243, Washington, D.C. 20013
- "Haiti" to 90999 to send a ten dollar donation to the Red Cross.

**Please designate your gift to AP2885 Haiti Relief and Development.**