American Jewish World Services: Resource Guide

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FROM THE WEBSITE:

In response to the earthquake on January 12th in Haiti, AJWS has created the Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund to send immediate emergency aid to communities affected by this disaster. Particular focus is being placed on aiding populations in the crisis zone that have not already been targeted for large–scale relief, such as poor and rural areas outside Port–au–Prince. AJWS's long–standing partnerships in the region have enabled us to send funding directly to our grantees in hard–hit areas on the ground who have the knowledge and capacity to spend the money effectively where it is most immediately needed.

How you can help
Create your own personal fundraising page for reaching out to friends and family to enlist their support for Haiti.

Make a contribution to AJWS's Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund. Your donation will go directly to:

•Support search and rescue efforts by community volunteers
•Provide food and shelter for survivors
•Provide emergency health services and education to help reduce the second wave of casualties due to wounds, contamination from corpses and human waste
•Clear roadways to facilitate rescue and distribution of emergency supplies
•Provide emergency psychosocial support to survivors
•Fund humanitarian aid being sent from the Haitian–Dominican community in the Dominican Republic that includes two mobile clinics, medical supplies, donations and volunteers
•Support longer–term recovery (in the months following the earthquake) including rebuilding of community centers, clinics and schools; replanting of crops and farms to reestablish the local food supply and provide a source of income; and support to community–based organizations' efforts to rebuild civil society.

Grantees on the Ground
Donations contributed to AJWS's Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund are currently supporting the efforts of 10 extraordinary grassroots organizations, which have mobilized to serve the needs of some of the most marginalized victims of the earthquake. These agencies are among AJWS's longstanding grantees in Haiti. They are working around the clock in hard–hit areas beyond the scope of large–scale relief efforts, mostly in poor and rural areas on the margins of Port–au–Prince.

KONPAY is gathering and distributing food from regional farmers and coordinating volunteers to provide shelter, medical assistance, food and water in Jacmel, a region south of Port–au–Prince.

Mouvman Peyizan Rankit (MPR) is coordinating emergency relief efforts and assisting with emergency replanting to prevent famine following the disaster.

Oganizasyon Gwoupman Peyizan pou Devlopman 8eme Seksyon Kominal Akaye is coordinating relief efforts and providing emergency health services including education about hygiene and disease prevention.

Movimiento Social–Cultural de los Trabajadores Haitianos (MOSCTHA) a grassroots organization based in the Dominican Republic, has reached Port–au–Prince and the nearby city Jacmel by traveling across the Haitian–Dominican border by truck caravan and boats. It is establishing mobile field hospitals, distributing food, medicine and temporary shelters, and providing disease prevention education and psychosocial support.

Partners in Health/Zanmi Lasante has mobilized the more than 120 doctors and nearly 500 nurses who work at Zanmi Lasante's sites. It has set up field hospitals in Port–au–Prince and has readied its facilities in the Central Plateau to receive the flow of patients from the disaster zone.

The Lambi Fund of Haiti is supporting peasant groups to obtain food and essential provisions. With AJWS's support, Lambi will respond to communities' immediate needs and conduct reconstruction initiatives such as repairing rainwater cisterns, rebuilding grain mills and sugar cane mills, and helping farmers obtain agricultural materials.

Mouvman Peyzan Bayone 2eme Section Communale des Gonaives is coordinating relief efforts and providing emergency health services including education about hygiene and disease prevention.

Red de Encuentro Dominico Haitiano Jacques Viau (REDH–JV) is organizing the Haitian and Haitian–Dominican population in the Dominican Republic to provide humanitarian emergency aid in the communities of Jacmel, Puerto Príncipe, Croix–des–Bouquets and Petionville. The organization will provide medicine, food, material goods and will organize local meetings to coordinate relief efforts.

Fonkoze will provide immediate general relief by establishing an emergency operations center, re–opening community banks and providing new loans to borrowers devastated by the earthquake.

AJWS to Assist Victims of the Haiti Earthquake
New York, NY; January 12, 2010—AJWS is collecting donations in response to this afternoon's massive earthquake in Haiti, which registered a 7.3 on the Richter scale. Donations to AJWS's "Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund," which can be made at www.ajws.org/haitiearthquake, will enable AJWS's network of grantees in Haiti to meet the urgent needs of the population based on real–time, on–the–ground assessments.

With a per capita income of $3.60 per day, Haiti is the most impoverished country in the Western Hemisphere. Thus, its population is especially vulnerable to natural disasters, such as today's earthquake. Based on initial reports of widespread devastation and a high number of casualties, AJWS anticipates that the immediate and long–term needs will be profound and is coordinating with its in–country representatives to respond immediately.

"We are assessing where the gaps in service are and putting a process in place to help specific communities that might not be immediately served otherwise," said AJWS's vice president for programs, Aaron Dorfman. "Because of the economic and political situation in Haiti, disasters like this have devastating consequences throughout the country. Our long–standing partnerships with grassroots organizations in Haiti allow us to reach the poorest and most remote populations with the speed necessary to save lives."

Founded in 1985, American Jewish World Service (AJWS) earned its eighth four–star rating from Charity Navigator in 2009 as well as an "A" rating from the American Institute of Philanthropy.

Services offered: Advocacy, * (ANY/ALL Types); Advocacy, Health & Human Rights; Cleanup, Debris Removal, Volunteer Services; Demographic Served: Hungry; Demographic Served: Low Income Folks; Demographic Served: Survivors, Natural Disaster Impacted Communities; Demographic Served: Sustainable Communities; Demographic Served: Vulnerable & Marginalized Populations; Donations, Disaster Fund; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Online Networking, Blog; Information Resource, Online Networking, Facebook Page/Group; Information Resource, Online Networking, Twitter Page/Twitter Feeds
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; 2010 Pakistan Floods; 2011 East Africa Famine; American Jewish World Services
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Once long ago, we all were children, simple, loving and caring. We chose to care about our world, our families and everyone around us. Somewhere along the way, we became mad; we lost our way as humanity. We began destroying and consuming our world and our hearts. We chose events and things as more important – than each others lives. The Raise Your Hand and Open Your Heart Foundation chooses to change that, to get people to help one another, no matter the crisis, the problem, or the effort. A world united for ONE single common goal. HOPE. HOPE for each other, for our children, for our animals and for our environment.

You can be a part of this organization, by registering through the website, donating cash, time, your talents, volunteer or participate directly with the charities, people and organizations listed there. You can load new charities and even load your own problems. This way, we intend helping each other, as ONE family. Participate today by searching and navigating through the various regions and causes and taking a few hours each day to help heal the world through the website by using your talents, things and time. Thank You for being a part of the change.

http://www.raiseyourhand.org.za/default.asp?id=1

REGIONS

Asia
Europe

The Middle East
North America
Oceania
South America

HOW ARE WE KEPT ACCOUNTABLE?

The donor is notified, thanked and praised for making a donation, immediately upon payment. They are also automatically provided with a tax certificate. They remain anonymous on the system, but are progressed to the regional list of real donors.

They are explained that their funds are kept in trust, either for direct release for urgent need, or until a project comes up that is needed for and will NOT be used for anything else.

Once the payment is, the donor is informed that the payment is made to the charity, or cause. With a proof of payment attached in the system and a track able reference to verify that this has been done.

100% of the donation will be done, unless under extreme circumstance a charge or fee is incurred. In this instance, they will also be provided with proof of these charges.

Now, most organizations end here, but where Raise Your Hand will be different is that we will not only 'pay' the 100% donation over to the organization, we will require them to provide us with faxes or scanned emails of the use of this money and exactly what every cent is used for.

They will only receive an immediate 20% of the donation and until they prove that they can provide the proof that it is used what it is used for, we will not release the money.

If it is an ambassador or representative of the charity, and the entire donation is needed now, they will immediately be paid over, once they provide letters from where they will be purchasing goods, or provide direct invoices for us to pay on their behalf.

Let us say, as an example, The Red Cross needs $850000 (yes, they asked me for this), for fuel and the means to get aid across Pakistan. Now, what would be best is to find a Shell Petrol Depot there and pay them directly, with this proof of invoice and payment, our donors will feel that their money has gone to the right place.

If, we can, we will also provide them with photos of the delivery of their aid.

All of this allows our donors to know their money goes to the correct place at any given time, with proof and contactable verification of delivery of the aid money.

Services offered: Demographic Served: Animals; Demographic Served: Children; Demographic Served: Disabled, Persons With Disabilities; Demographic Served: Hungry; Demographic Served: Seniors / Elderly; Donations, Disaster Fund; Fundraising Tools, for Non Profit Orgs; Information Resource, Online Networking, Facebook Page/Group
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; American Jewish World Services; American Refugee Committee; AmeriCares; Boy Scouts of America; CAN–DO; CWS ~ Church World Service; International Medical Corps (IMC); Mercy Corps; MSF (Médecins Sans Frontières) – Doctors Without Borders; OXFAM; Project Hope; Rotary International; UMCOR Relief Network; United Nations – U.N.; United Nations – UNICEF (United Nations International Childrens Emergency Fund); World Relief; World Renew (also known as CRWRC–DRS ~ Christian Reformed World Relief Committee–Disaster Response Services; World Vision
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