Google Charity Work: Resource Guide

Ongoing

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Japan

PERSON FINDER (Google) – (2011 Japan Earthquake & Tsunami)

Info/Hotline · Open

Web japan.person–finder.appspot.com
Service Temporary

Google launches tool to find people in Japan:

Google has launched a person–finder tool to help people get information about their loved ones in quake–ravaged Japan.

The web giant has also posted a crisis centre, with a map of the earthquake, incoming news, disaster bulletin boards, blackout updates and links to emergency centres.

The person finder is located at http://japan.person–finder.appspot.com. People worried about loved ones can type in a person's name to find any information that's been posted about them. Those with information about someone's whereabouts can log on and add it to the database. Google doesn't verify the accuracy of the information posted.

Google launched a similar service after the Christchurch earthquake in New Zealand in February.

The crsis centre can be found at http://www.google.com/crisisresponse/japanquake2011.html.

Mobile phone networks are down across much of Japan, making it hard for people to track down missing people there.

But data networks are still operating in Tokyo, so many people are able to get online and use social–networking services.

The biggest earthquake on record to hit Japan struck the northeast coast on Friday, triggering a 10–metre tsunami that swept away everything in its path, including houses, ships, cars and farm buildings.

At least 59 people died in the quake and subsequent tsunami, broadcaster NHK said, adding that many more are missing.

Canada's foreign affairs department has set up a hotline for Canadians worried about their loved ones in Japan. The number is 613–943–1055, or toll–free within Canada at 1–800–387–3124.

SEE ALSO–
Person Finder – MISSING/FINDING PEOPLE – INDEX
https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7740

Services offered: Registry, Missing Persons, OR Online ("I'm safe" People–Finder") Registry
Campaigns: 2011 Japan Earthquake/Tsunami/Nuclear Disasters; Google Charity Work
Updated Mar 14, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7725

MO

St Louis Crowdmap Tornado Alerts

Info/Hotline · Open

Mapping Network/Crisis Mappers
MO

Web stlouistornado.crowdmap.com
Service Temporary

See alerts mapped for the metro area.

Services offered: Information Resource: Maps, Crowdmap/Alert Map; Information Resource, Maps, Environmental Impact Tracking; Information Resource: Online Alert Registry; Information Resource, Situation Reports & Status Reports
Campaigns: 2011 Spring – Tornadoes–Floods–Wind Storms; Crisis Mappers (GoogleGroup); Google Charity Work; USHAHIDI
Updated Apr 28, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7964

NY

Occupy Sandy (DONATION DROP SITES, VOLUNTEER Coordination, "Store" to buy donated tools", for Hurricane Sandy)

Volunteer Camp · Open

NY

Web interoccupy.net/occupysandy
Service Temporary

To donate supplies/tools, go to their "store": http://occupysandylocalregistry.com/

@OccupySandy
Occupy Sandy is a coordinated relief effort to help distribute resources & volunteers to help neighborhoods and people affected by Hurricane Sandy. We are a coalition of people & organizations who are dedicated to implementing aid and establishing hubs for neighborhood resource distribution. Members of this coalition are from Occupy Wall Street, 350.org, recovers.org and interoccupy.net. The task of rebuilding communities is a marathon and not a sprint. We thank you for your donations and your support. The hubs we have set up so far are listed below and photos and volunteer updates are available on our facebook: www.facebook.com/occupysandyreliefnyc. To contact us with information that should be included on this hub, please email OccupySandy@interoccupy.net

To get regular updates by text message please text "occupysandy" to 23559.

Enter your email in the form on the left to receive news and updates about how you can help!

Financial Donations can be made to:
https://www.wepay.com/donations/occupy-sandy-cleanup-volunteers

Volunteer to Help Out the Relief Effort:
http://interoccupy.net/occupysandy/volunteer/

To locate an Emergency Shelter, use this map which is updated regularly to reflect current status of the shelters in :
https://sparkrelief.org/#!/disaster/hurricane-sandy

For anyone who needs assistance with food:

Citymeals www.citymeals.org is delivering shelf-stable meals to seniors. If you come across any senior housing, please contact Citymeals and make them aware. Email Rachel@citymeals.org.

Emergency food stamps: Call 718-557-1339. Many people may qualify for the Disaster-Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (D-SNAP).

To donate goods, here is a list of needs and where you can drop them off:

General Needs - All locations need these items
blankets
candles
flashlights
batteries
water
food
socks
towels
printer paper
baby items: diapers etc.
pet food

Drop-off Locations

Astoria
36-10 Crescent St. 2nd floor.
Contact Pam: 718-208-7205

Chinatown (open Nov 1, 10am-5pm)
CAAAV
46 Hester St Frnt A
(212) 473-6485
justice@caaav.org - email provided, but best to just show up to help or bring supplies!

Specific Requests in Chinatown:
Water bottles
C, D, AA, AAA batteries (and one 9 volt battery)
Food (hot at lunch, non-perishable/bread/cookies)
Some bottles of Ensure (Glucerna shake) for the elderly, vitamins for the elderly
Generator (for shelter at 350 Grand St, Seward Park High School)

Rockaway and Far Rockaway
Location 1:
Firehouse on 59th street
across from the train station.
contact person: Jean Dupont 9179755623

Location 2:
Veggie Island
96th Street and Rockaway Blvd.

Location 3:
Store Front Community Center
B113 and Rockaway Beach Blvd

Specific Requests in Rockaway and Far Rockaway (starred ones are most urgent):
* Propane grille or camping style oven
* Plates, cups, forks, bowls, spoons, etc
* blankets, jackets, gloves, hats, anything to keep folks warm
* cleaning supplies – buckets, squeegies, mops, bleach
* masks, gloves for cleaning
* socks
* water
* tarps
* garbage bags
boots
electric stove
gas stove
satellite phones
big paper, tape, markers
pens, paper, notepads
generators
pumps
camping tables
gasoline
gasoline containers
percolator
fire extinguishers
walkie talkies
i9 tablets
projector/illuminator

Fort Green/Clinton Hill
45 Waverly Avenue
just off of Park Ave in Fort Green/Clinton Hill
(Hours for Nov 1: 10am–6pm)

Red Hook
the red hook initiative
767 Hicks Street
redhook.recovers.org
Contact: Mariya (347) 770–1528 or just show up.
Requests as of now (will be updated on redhook.recovers.org):
already prepared food (including food for children)
batteries
flashlights
power strips
toiletries (including toilet paper and paper towels)
utensils such as spoons and bowls
and jugs of water.

Park Slope
Park Slope Armory
361 15th St, Brooklyn

Sunset Park
St. Jacobi Church
5406 4th Ave
Contact: Ronnie 646–353–5194

Specific Requests in Sunset Park:
steamtable foil pans full or half size w lids
blankets
cleaning supplies

tin foil
saran wrap

Williamsburg (starting Nov 1, 10am)
Residence
306 Leonard St, apt J1 (btwn Conselyea and Metropolitan)
Contact: Jennifer (917) 586–4153

Bedstuy
Residence
136 Jefferson Ave, apt 2 11216

East Billyburg (Beginning Thursday Nov 1 at 12 noon)
House of Yes
342 Maujer st
Contact: Kae Burke (525)217–7209

Harlem
Location 1:
Residence
47 saint nicholas avenue #4d
btw 112 and 113

Location 2:
Residence
938 st Nicholas ave # 25 at corner of 157th and st Nicholas ave.

Lower East Side
The Bowery Mission
45–51 Ave D
212–777–3424
contact: Claude Nelson or any "operations manager" on duty. they're open 24/7 and in need of prepared foods, a generator and anything else you can offer.

Specific Requests at Lower East Side:
Generator
Prepared Foods

Recovers.org Pages

Occupy Wall Street & 350.org have teamed up with Recovers.org – a people–powered disaster relief platform – to help coordinate response to Hurricane Sandy in NYC. At Recovers.org we are launching support pages where people can GIVE help or post a NEED. Here is more information about this coalition.

We have started with the following Recovery pages, and more will be coming soon:

https://lowereastside.recovers.org/ – (646) 580–7473
https://astoria.recovers.org/ – (347) 669–4394
https://redhook.recovers.org – (347) 464–9269
https://statenisland.recovers.org/ – (347) 934–9927 – statenislandrecovers@gmail.com – @SIrecovers

Twitter Hashtags

The following hashtags are being used for tweets related to Sandy:
#sandy
#hurricanesandy
#sandyrecovery
#sandyaid
#sandyvolunteer

| occupysandy@interoccupy.net

Services offered: Donations, Drop–Off, Collection Site Location; Registry, Clean Up Assistance (Survivors Get Help Here – Post Disaster); Registry, Wish List Registry, Online Registry; Volunteer Opportunities, In General * (ANY/ALL Types)
Campaigns: 2012 Hurricane Sandy; Crisis Mappers (GoogleGroup); Google Charity Work; Occupy Sandy; Occupy Wall Street / Occupy America / Occupy Together; USHAHIDI
Updated Mar 10, 2013 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/9455

Rockland PC Users Group (Computer Reuse, free computers for those in need in Rockland County)

Donor · Open

Recycling Network
NY

Contact (845) 638–1917
Email hank@pcrenew.org
Web www.pcrenew.org
Service Temporary

from their website:

Give your old computer new lifeSM

Donate it to Project PCReNew!

Give someone the tools to be computer literate today.

We will repair and upgrade your donated machine. As a Microsoft Authorized Refurbisher we wipe the hard drive using software designed to Department of Defense standards to protect from identity theft. A new Windows operating system is installed. The refurbished computer is then given to an individual or organization who cannot afford their own computer. A student, senior citizen or organization in the Rockland County Area.

You receive a letter of donation to use for a charitable tax donation. You also receive the satisfaction of knowing your donation will be given a second life and put to good use, not just thrown in the trash. Your old computer will be given new life and help to bring someone electronically into the 21st century. It will help them live for today and prepare for tomorrow.

PCRENEW is one of the first MAR's (Microsoft Authorized Refurbisher) appointed in the United States. Our participation in this program allows us to purchase legal Microsoft Windows operating system software at very preferred pricing for each refurbished computer. Recently, the MAR program has been changed to the MRR program (Microsoft Registered Refurbisher).

We are a Partner with National Cristina. Check their website www.cristina.org

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Terra: Can't figure out what they take/have, but this is the stuff that's listed on their website. They may take more...because they refer to taking "parts", in some of the text. Here's what they obviously take:

Computer
Monitor
Printer

Services offered: Advocacy, Environmental; Community Service Program; Computer, Desktop; Computer, Equipment * (ANY/ALL Types); Computer, Keyboard; Computer, Monitor; Computer, Mouse; Computer, Peripherals, Misc.; Computer, Portable Hard Drive; Computer, Printer; Computer, Spare Parts, CD drives; Computer, Spare Parts, Internal Hard Drive; Computer, Spare Parts, Modem Cards; Computer, Spare Parts, Motherboards; Computer, Spare Parts, Power Cords; Computer, Spare Parts, Sound Cards; Computer, Spare Parts, Video Cards; Computer, Speakers; Donations, In–Kind Donation, Services; Electronics * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Economics, Sustainable; Information Resource, Recycling Methods; Information Resource, Recycling Methods, Tech; Information Resource, Tech; Information Resource, Tech, Computer "Wiping"; Information Resource, Tech, W98; Recycling, Computers & Electronics; Recycling, Services * (ANY/ALL Types); Resource Website for "Green" (incl socially just) Products/Services; Services, Educational Services (See also Category for School); Services, Tech, Computer Consulting Service; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Computers Skills
Campaigns: Cristina Foundation (Computer Reuse); Ending Extreme Poverty; Ending Pollution; Global Warming Relief Supplies/Services; Google Charity Work
Updated Aug 8, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6119

New Zealand

Google Person–Finder, New Zealand Earthquake

Info/Hotline · Open

OnLine Resource
Web christchurch–2011.person–finder.appspot.com/?small=yes
Service Temporary

Find someone, or report that you're OK.

ALSO
Missing Persons

Twitter users trying to locate friends and family are asked to use the #eqnzcontact hashtag.

The Twitter account @safeinchch has also been set up for first hand news of those who are located safe and well.

You can also leave a message for the missing at;
http://www.3news.co.nz/Christchurch-quake---leave-a-message-for-the-missing/tabid/423/articleID/199324/Default.aspx

Services offered: Information Resource: Online Alert Registry; Registry, Missing Persons, OR Online ("I'm safe" People-Finder") Registry
Campaigns: 2011 New Zealand Earthquake; Google Charity Work
Updated Feb 25, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7641

Google Resource Page / Twitter Feed List

Info/Hotline · Open

OnLine Resource
Web www.google.com/crisisresponse/christchurch_earthquake.html
Service Temporary

Resource page, including references to Twitter feeds associated with this disaster.

Services offered: Hotline, Registry, Missing Persons ("I'm Safe" People-Finder) Registry; Information Resource, Health & Welfare Registry, Missing Persons; Information Resource, Online Networking, Twitter Page/Twitter Feeds
Campaigns: 2011 New Zealand Earthquake; Google Charity Work; USHAHIDI
Updated Feb 23, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7637

Pakistan

MAP, Service Map (Relief Camps/FOOD/WATER) (per Google/BKTEF)

Info/Hotline · Open

Situation Reports/News
PAKISTAN
Web maps.google.com/maps/ms?msa=0&msid=100387608926575251805.00048ce9533276271598c&ie=UTF8&source=embed&ll=34.428756,71.737976&spn=2.656
Service Temporary

Services offered: Directories, Directory of Services, City/Town; Directories, Directory of Services, County/Parish; Directories, Directory of Services, Regional; Directories, Directory of Services, Statewide; Directories of Services & Programs * (ANY/ALL Types); Directories, Online Database Resource; Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Map; Information Resource, Maps, County/Parish Level; Information Resource, Maps, Environmental Impact Tracking; Information Resource, Maps, Flood Maps; Information Resource, Maps, State Level Showing Counties (NO TOWNS); Information Resource, Maps, State Level Showing Towns; Information Resource, Navigating the Disaster Recovery Process; Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; Information Resource, Road Closures/Conditions; Information Resource, Situation Reports & Status Reports; Media Coverage; Media, Online News Reports; News Source, Online, Disaster Coverage; Resource Database for Volunteers; Resource Databases for Supplies/Services (NO FEE); Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Emergency Services
Campaigns: 2010 Pakistan Floods; 2010 Pakistan – Humanitarian Support for Armed Conflict; Google Charity Work
Updated Sep 28, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/6153

Worldwide

Ushahidi (List of Mapping Projects...all kinds of stuff)

Info/Hotline · Open

Mapping Network/Crisis Mappers
Web community.ushahidi.com/deployments
Service Temporary

All kinds of great mapping/resource links. Mapped Disaster Relief resources. Mapped ski conditions. Mapped art installations. Yum...

Services offered: Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource: Online Alert Registry; Information Resource, Online Networking, Twitter Page/Twitter Feeds; Information Resource, Resources Available to Disaster Survivors; Information Resource, Road Closures/Conditions; Information Resource, Situation Reports & Status Reports; Information Resource, Tech; Information Resource, Tech, Social Media; Media, Broadcast Media; Media, Online News Reports; New "Business" Models; New "business" models, Government; New "business" models, Intel/Mgmt; New "business" models, Sustainable Societies; Services, Disaster Recovery ; Services, Disaster Relief; Services, Disaster Response
Campaigns: Arts Community / Artist Network; Crisis Mappers (GoogleGroup); Google Charity Work; United Nations – OCHA (Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs); United Nations – U.N.; USHAHIDI
Updated May 28, 2012 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7956