MapAction: Resource Guide

Ongoing

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Haiti

Maps, MapAction, Field Hospitals (find a hospital) – 2010 Haiti Earthquake – INDEX

Info/Hotline · Open

Information, SCROLL DOWN, click on link

various, see link

Web mapaction.org/component/mapcat/mapdetail/1977.html
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Check out this map for street locations for medical field hospitals.

Also, check out the other online maps listed in this database for HAITI. Go to QUICKSTART above and choose the link to HAITI.

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Also, note...try to ping the site several times, if you're having trouble. It's a VERY popular site.

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from the MapAction website:

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Source: www.mapaction.org

From their website:

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How you can help [go to the website] to find out how you can play a role in keeping MapAction's volunteers ready to respond to disasters around the world.

Services offered: Information Resource * (ANY/ALL Types); Information Resource, Map; Information Resource, Maps, State Level Showing Towns; Medical, Facility, Clinic, Free Clinic

Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; MapAction
Updated Feb 25, 2010 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/5159

Maps, MapAction, Camps (Find SHELTER, WATER and other assistance)

Info/Hotline · Open

Information, SCROLL DOWN, click on link
Web mapaction.org/component/search/haiti.html?ordering=newest&searchphrase=all&limit=100&areas[0]=maps
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You are viewing a feed that contains frequently updated content at:
http://mapaction.org/deployments/georss.html?deployment_filter=192

Check out this map for street locations for CAMPs, if you need shelter, water, etc.

http://mapaction.org/component/mapcat/mapdetail/1972.html

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FOR CURRENT DEPLOYMENT maps –
http://mapaction.org/deployments.html

Services offered: First Responder, Worldwide
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; MapAction
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2011 Japan 9.0 Earthquake – Tsunami

16 Mar 2011
The first two volunteers, Anne and Nick, arrived in Tokyo yesterday and have joined up with the UN Disaster Assessment and Coordination (UNDAC) team. They have started mapping locations of international search and rescue teams in the north of the country, and next moving on to assessment outcomes and evacuation centres. They are based in the JICA offices in west–central Tokyo.

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MapAction sends team to Japanese disaster
March 15, 2011
http://www.mapaction.org/more–news/262–mapaction–sends–team–to–japanese–disaster.html

JAPAN RESOURCES –
http://www.mapaction.org/deployments/depldetail/200.html
http://www.mapaction.org/japan–resources.html

NEWS –
http://www.mapaction.org/more–news.feed?type=rss

DEPLOYMENTS –
http://www.mapaction.org/deployments.html

MapAction does not benefit from the major public disaster appeals. Your donation will help to maintain this vital service.

Please help MapAction to keep aid flowing to the right places.
http://www.mapaction.org/support.html

Services offered: First Responder, Worldwide; Information Resource, Map; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction)
Campaigns: 2010 Haiti Earthquake; 2011 Japan Earthquake/Tsunami/Nuclear Disasters; Crisis Mappers (GoogleGroup); MapAction; United Nations – OCHA (Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs); United Nations – U.N.
Updated Mar 17, 2011 · https://reliefdb.org/shelters/7784

Worldwide

Mapping Field Guide by MapAction (why/how to use mapping for disasters)

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Web www.mapaction.org/more–news/270–humanitarian–field–guide.html
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from the doc, which is RICH with info about mapping…the whys and how–to's.

The Following is a Short Excerpt: (MUCH more in the doc itself)

Field Guide to Humanitarian Mapping
2 www.mapaction.org

1.2 How are maps useful in humanitarian work?

In everyday life, we may use maps mainly for navigation. In humanitarian work however, the real power of maps is as a means of communicating and sharing the complex information that is a crucial resource in emergency response. In such situations, maps become vital tools for decision making.

“ Information is very directly about saving lives. If we take the wrong decisions, make the wrong choices about where we put our money and our effort because our knowledge is poor, we are condemning some of the most deserving to death or destitution.”
John Holmes, UN Emergency Relief Coordinator and Under–Secretary–General for Humanitarian Affairs 2007–2010

Of all the information needed in an emergency, the 'where' dimension is of crucial importance: aid in the wrong place is no help at all. Humanitarian emergencies typically affect large areas and often require responding organisations to make sense of unfamiliar geographical environments. Maps become important as tools to plan and coordinate relief interventions.

In the preparation of this guide, MapAction discussed the needs for mapping and spatial information with users from a range of NGOs and humanitarian agencies, as well as drawing on MapAction's own experience in the field during emergencies. Some of the insights gained are explored here.

The use of maps is not of course limited to the post–disaster response phase. Maps are a prerequisite for understanding natural hazards, and communities' vulnerability to them. Risk assessment by communities themselves can be supported by mapping tools – including low– or no–tech methods involving little more than sketches using paper and pencil. These methods are explored a little more in section 1.8.

" In the pre–disaster context we would like to map vulnerability and develop baselines for it. The data for these baselines would include scientific hazard data and the outputs from qualitative assessments at community level."
Bhupinder Tomar, Senior Officer Disaster Preparedness, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

In the disaster response phase, maps can be invaluable for making sense of the emergency and for planning response, both at individual organisation level and for inter–agency coordination. There is a need for mapped information from the earliest stage of response, during the search–and–rescue (SAR) phase. SAR teams need ways to create rapid maps of their area of operations, for Urban SAR (USAR) work this may require a high level of detail.

Services offered: Directories, Online Database Resource; Disaster Damage Assessments for Disaster Managers; Disaster Relief System Development Guidance; Disaster Tech Planning Groups; Documentation, Disaster Planning; Documentation, Disaster Recovery Process; Documentation, Disaster Relief Process, Community Groups; Documentation, Mapping Reference; Documentation, Volunteer Instructions; Documentation, Volunteer Management Guidance; Information Resource, Disaster Prep, Governments/Community Groups; Information Resource, Map; Information Resource: Maps, Crowdmap/Alert Map; Information Resource, Maps, Environmental Impact Tracking; Information Resource, Maps, Evacuation Maps/Routes; Information Resource, Situation Reports & Status Reports; Long Term Recovery Support; LTRC, Long Term Recovery Committee Advice; Management, Support, Disaster Response Coordination & Guidance; New "Business" Models; New "business" models, Intel/Mgmt; Training * (ANY/ALL Types of Instruction) ; Training Classes, Disaster * (Any & All Types); Training Classes, Disaster Mitigation; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Disaster Relief/Recovery, Online; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Emergency Response; Training Classes, Disaster Ops, Incident Staging, Training; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness; Training Classes, Disaster Preparedness, Internet; Training Classes, Disaster Recovery; Training Classes, Disaster Response; Training Classes, First Response, Misc. * (ANY/ALL Types); Training Classes, First Response, Search & Rescue; Training Classes, Online/Virtual Training; Training Workshops, Disaster Ops, Disaster Rebuilding/Recovery Workshops
Campaigns: Crisis Mappers (GoogleGroup); MapAction
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