ROTARY AND SHELTERBOX

working together to shelter families after disaster
By providing emergency shelter and tools to families robbed of their homes by disaster or conflict, ShelterBox transforms despair into hope.

Not all disasters make the news, but they all devastate lives. Right now, about 85 million people around the globe do not have a place to call home.

Each crisis is different, which is why ShelterBox works with local Rotary and Rotaract clubs and districts to provide vital equipment to help survivors rebuild their lives.

ShelterBox keeps communities together and gives families hope for the future.

PROJECT PARTNERS

Rotary and ShelterBox are project partners in disaster relief. ShelterBox is a registered charity, independent of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation.
ShelterBox is an international disaster relief charity that provides shelter and tools to people affected by crises such as earthquakes, volcanic activity, flooding, hurricanes, cyclones, tsunamis, or conflict. With 17 international affiliates, ShelterBox delivers the essential items people need to begin rebuilding their lives.

**SHELTERBOX RESPONSE TEAMS**

A highly trained ShelterBox response team, composed mainly of volunteers, assesses needs and coordinates and distributes ShelterBox aid after a disaster. Teams work closely with local organizations, international aid agencies, a global network of volunteers, and community members, often including Rotarians and Rotaractors. The aid is tailored to each area’s specific needs and comes in the form of ShelterBoxes and ShelterKits. The sturdy green ShelterBoxes contain family-size tents designed to withstand the elements and provide people with temporary shelter until they can start rebuilding their homes. The ShelterKits contain all of the tools necessary for repairing and rebuilding. The kits and boxes also include supplies that help transform a shelter into a home, such as thermal blankets, cooking utensils, water storage and purification equipment, solar-powered lights, and activity sets for children.

Since its start as a Rotary club project in 2000, ShelterBox has grown with the support of the Rotary family around the world. ShelterBox has responded to more than 300 disasters in over 100 countries providing vital aid for well over 1.3 MILLION people.
GET INVOLVED

Clubs and districts can help ShelterBox with emergency disaster relief efforts.

Take action:

- Organize a fundraiser to help ShelterBox sponsor relief materials and deployments.
- Notify ShelterBox if a region should be assessed after a disaster to identify needs for temporary housing and other aid.
- Help align ShelterBox relief efforts with those of local governments and organizations working in areas devastated by disaster or humanitarian crisis.
- Become a ShelterBox ambassador to educate others about disaster response and advocate for survivors.
- Assist with local deployment efforts by helping to clear aid through customs, hosting response teams, or coordinating transportation, interpretation, and other logistics.

Connect with ShelterBox to get involved

www.shelterbox.org or email rotaryrequest@shelterbox.org

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