

Our Mission

Fuel Relief Fund's mission is to meet the fuel needs of victims immediately following a major disaster.



In 1992, Hurricane Andrew hit the Florida coast leaving countless people without the barest essentials of daily living. While volunteer efforts and various relief organizations provided food and temporary shelter, the lack of a fuel resource became immediately evident and the idea to establish an organization that provided free fuel was created.

Our History



Hurricane Katrina
September 2005

Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast with incredible force, leaving three states without power and thousands of people displaced without food, water, or shelter. Immediately, the Fuel Relief Fund team deployed a tanker truck filled with gasoline and

drove from California to Mississippi, then to Louisiana. Conditions were devastating... highways were submerged and homes were completely destroyed, leaving miles of residential foundations as evidence.

Survivors were given free gasoline to power up their vehicles in an effort to search for food, water, and shelter. It was this experience that cemented the establishment of the non-profit organization, Fuel Relief Fund.



Earthquake in Japan
March 2011

When the tsunami struck Japan, the Fuel Relief Fund team immediately reacted. At the scene, the team witnessed absolute destruction. Huge piles of rubble were everywhere - remnants of homes - walls, roofs, mattresses

toys, furniture, and photos were scattered as far as the eye could see. Survivors were left without power. Temperatures were below freezing and many families stood in line with their small children for hours to receive heating oil. The team was overwhelmed by how appreciative, polite, and patient the Japanese were as they waited in the cold to receive just 2.5 gallons of kerosene.



Earthquake in Haiti
January 2010

On January 12, 2010, a devastating earthquake struck Haiti leaving the entire country without power. Within two days, the Fuel Relief Fund team flew into the Dominican Republic. They crossed the border into Haiti and secured a small

tanker truck. The conditions in Haiti were dismal and dangerous. Thousands of families were displaced and were living in tent cities without light. Fueled with diesel, the team provided fuel to light-up tent cities and power up generators for police stations, hospitals, medical clinics, and orphanages. Bravely, the team stayed in Haiti to continue their fuel donation efforts for more than two months.



Earthquake in Turkey
November 2011

In the winter of 2011, the Fuel Relief Fund team responded to a major earthquake in Van, Turkey. Nearly a million people were left without power. Upon arrival, the Fuel Relief Fund team realized that many displaced families

had access to coal burning stoves. Within two days of arriving, the team purchased 82 tons of coal and distributed it to those most in need - the elderly, poor, sick, and single mothers. Amongst the rubble and the snow, families created make-shift tents and huddled together to stay warm. These efforts helped survivors keep warm for a month while in temporary shelters, tents, and homes.