



# Provide Emergency Relief Following the Venezuela Earthquake

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## Project Summary

On 24 June 2026, two powerful earthquakes devastated parts of Venezuela, causing widespread destruction, loss of life and displacement. Thousands of people have been affected, with homes destroyed, hospitals overwhelmed and essential services severely disrupted. The Yashchenko Foundation is raising funds to support trusted local humanitarian organisations delivering life-saving emergency assistance. Through rigorous due diligence and ongoing monitoring, we will provide grants to experienced Venezuelan partners responding to urgent humanitarian needs, including emergency shelter, clean water, food, hygiene supplies, healthcare and protection for vulnerable families.

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## The Challenge

On 24 June 2026, Venezuela experienced two major earthquakes in rapid succession, causing catastrophic damage across Caracas, La Guaira and surrounding areas. Residential buildings, hotels, public infrastructure and essential services suffered extensive damage, while search and rescue teams continue to recover survivors from collapsed structures.

Hospitals are operating under immense pressure as they treat large numbers of injured people, while aftershocks continue to threaten already weakened buildings. Many families have lost their homes and are sheltering in temporary conditions, often without reliable access to safe drinking water, sanitation facilities or essential household items.

The disaster has struck a country already facing significant humanitarian challenges. Years of economic instability have weakened healthcare systems, reduced household resilience and limited the ability of communities to recover from major shocks. As a result, many families affected by the earthquake require immediate humanitarian assistance to meet their most basic needs.

While the full scale of the disaster continues to emerge, local organisations have already begun responding. However, many lack the financial resources required to scale their operations quickly enough to meet growing humanitarian needs.

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## Our Solution

Rather than establishing our own operational presence, the Yashchenko Foundation will identify, assess and support experienced Venezuelan humanitarian organisations already working in the affected communities.



This locally led approach enables assistance to reach affected families more quickly while strengthening organisations that possess local knowledge, established community relationships and existing operational capacity.

Before any funding is awarded, prospective partners will undergo comprehensive organisational, financial and compliance due diligence. Grants will only be awarded to organisations that demonstrate strong governance, financial accountability and the capacity to deliver effective humanitarian assistance.

Funding may be used to support activities including:

- Emergency shelter materials and household essentials.
- Safe drinking water and emergency WASH activities.
- Hygiene kits and sanitation supplies.
- Emergency food assistance.
- Essential healthcare and medical supplies.
- Protection services for vulnerable people, including children, older people and people with disabilities.
- Immediate livelihood support where families have lost their primary means of income.

Throughout the response, the Yashchenko Foundation will maintain regular oversight through financial reporting, programme monitoring and direct engagement with our local partners to ensure funds are used effectively and transparently.

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## Long-Term Impact

This project will provide immediate, life-saving humanitarian assistance to people affected by the Venezuela earthquakes while strengthening the capacity of locally led humanitarian organisations responding to the crisis.

By investing directly in trusted Venezuelan organisations, the project helps ensure that communities receive assistance rapidly while leaving behind stronger local institutions capable of responding to future emergencies.

The Yashchenko Foundation believes that supporting capable local organisations is one of the most effective and sustainable ways to deliver humanitarian assistance. This project reflects our commitment to localisation, accountability and ensuring that donor contributions achieve the greatest possible humanitarian impact.

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## Activities

The Yashchenko Foundation will:

- Identify suitable Venezuelan humanitarian organisations responding to the earthquake.
- Conduct comprehensive organisational, financial and compliance due diligence.
- Award grants to selected local partner organisations.
- Monitor implementation through financial and narrative reporting.
- Undertake a monitoring visit to verify programme delivery and strengthen accountability.
- Share regular updates with supporters throughout the response.

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## Why the Yashchenko Foundation?

The Yashchenko Foundation is an international humanitarian organisation with extensive experience managing emergency responses in conflict and disaster-affected environments.

Our approach combines rigorous due diligence, strong financial oversight and close partnership with local organisations to ensure humanitarian assistance reaches those who need it most.

Rather than duplicating existing efforts, we work alongside trusted local partners, helping them scale their response while maintaining high standards of accountability, transparency and donor stewardship.

Your support will enable us to deliver rapid, effective humanitarian assistance to families whose lives have been devastated by this disaster.