

VISION: To provide emergency shelter for 500,000 survivors every year.

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MISSION: ShelterBox delivers humanitarian aid and relief on a worldwide basis in the form of material and equipment that provides shelter, warmth and comfort with dignity to people displaced by natural and other disasters.

When a natural disaster, such as a flood, earthquake, hurricane or tsunami strikes, many survivors lose their homes, their possessions and their hope. The first few days after a disaster are a crucial point in the recovery process. The elements can be deadly to those who have no protection, and lack of clean water is a chief concern. Survivors need shelter and protection until local infrastructure is reestablished.

THE SHELTERBOX SOLUTION

In 1999, UK Rotarian and former Royal Navy search and rescue diver Tom Henderson spotted a gap in aid provision after natural disasters. While food and medicine were immediately delivered, little or no assistance was given in terms of proper shelter to help survivors through the first few days, weeks and months as they struggled to rebuild their lives. ShelterBox was launched to fill that void.

One green ShelterBox provides a durable tent for an extended family of up to 10 people and life-saving tools, such as water purification supplies, blankets, a cook stove and mosquito nets. The contents can be modified depending on the nature and location of the disaster, and great care is taken on every item to ensure it is robust enough to be of lasting value.

Our highly trained ShelterBox Response Teams (SRTs) can be deployed from around the world to distribute boxes on the ground, working closely with local organizations, international aid agencies, and Rotary clubs worldwide.

We can't eradicate natural or manmade disasters; we can only be prepared to respond to them. In many cases, our boxes make the difference between life and death.

WHO WE ARE

ShelterBox has firmly established itself at the forefront of international disaster relief, providing aid to more than a million survivors around the world.

ShelterBox is the largest international aid organization that provides shelter and life-saving equipment for survival in an easily transportable box. ShelterBox instantly responds to man-made and natural disasters by providing survivors with essential equipment. Boxes are dispatched quickly to a disaster area, where a ShelterBox Response Team (SRT) meets it and distributes our aid to those most in need. We are able to respond quickly because we have a large stock of equipment in our warehouse located in the United Kingdom and more than 1,000 pre-packed boxes stored in strategic locations across the globe. Often, ShelterBox is the first outside aid agency on the ground distributing desperately needed shelter and emergency aid to people whose homes have been destroyed. In fact, other aid organizations have told us that our green box stands out as a symbol of hope in a landscape of disarray.

Since its inception, ShelterBox has responded to over 140 disasters in more than 70 countries.

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WHAT'S IN THE BOX



SHELTER

At the heart of every ShelterBox is a custom-made tent designed to withstand extreme temperatures, high winds and heavy rainfall. Internally, each tent has privacy partitions that allow recipients to divide the space as they see fit.

WARMTH AND PROTECTION

The boxes contain a range of other survival equipment including thermal blankets and insulated ground sheets, treated mosquito nets and water purification equipment. Water supplies often become contaminated after a major disaster, as infrastructure and sanitation systems are destroyed. This presents a secondary but no less dangerous threat to survivors than the initial disaster.

A SMILE

Every box includes a children's pack containing drawing books, crayons and pens. For children who have lost most, if not all their possessions, these small gifts are treasured.

SELF SUFFICIENCY

A basic tool kit containing a hammer, ax, saw, trenching shovel, hoe head, pliers and wire cutters can be found in every box. These items enable people to begin to rebuild their lives.

ABOUT OUR TENTS

Our rugged dome tents are a unique ShelterBox design that has evolved as the result of years of experience in countries around the world. Modeled after a typical African bush hut, the tents have built in mosquito screens, integral groundsheets, good ventilation and internal privacy screens.

HOW TO MAKE OUR WORK POSSIBLE

Our aim is to work toward a world in which human suffering is addressed and alleviated, all human rights are respected, and basic needs are rapidly met.

What ShelterBox provides is unique and does not duplicate any other aid provided to disaster survivors. We work with other established relief organizations to enhance and complete the services and supplies that help survivors rebuild their lives.

The only way for us to do this is through the generous support of others. Please consider sponsoring a ShelterBox or becoming a volunteer representative.

The amount to sponsor one new ShelterBox is \$1,000 (USD). Assuming six months of use, the box is only 56 cents per day per sheltered refugee. Each box has its own unique number and can be tracked through our website.

ShelterBox USA also depends on a corps of dedicated volunteer representatives throughout the nation to fundraise and promote our disaster relief efforts.

To become a rep or to request a presentation, email info@shelterboxusa.org.

Make a donation today by completing this form or go to:

www.shelterboxusa.org

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- ☐ Make a recurring* gift in the amount of \$ _____ each month.
- ☐ Make a pledge of \$ _____ and bill me \$ _____ for the next _____ years.

Please put my gift toward:

- ☐ ShelterBox(es)
- ☐ Youth Program
- ☐ Essential Administration

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Rotary Club (If applicable): _____

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Please make my gift:

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Credit card donations can also be made to www.shelterboxusa.org

☐ Please contact me about becoming a volunteer.

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One Box at a Time*

