

LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE
CHILE EARTHQUAKE

SEPTEMBER 2015

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Lutheran Disaster Response is already in the process of assessing the urgent needs in areas impacted by the disaster. Communication with

our companion church and partners on the ground has informed us of the current situation and a community-based support strategy is underway. As a church, we have a long history of standing with our brothers and sisters in Chile. In the coming weeks and months, we will continue to stand with and support the needs of those greatly impacted by the earthquake.

Your prayers and support are needed now for immediate relief. **Gifts designated for the Chile Earthquake will be used in full (100 percent) to assist those directly impacted by this crisis.** Thank you.

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