

# Typhoon Haiyan

ONE YEAR LATER



*Ignacio Carcosa cleans up debris of his home, damaged by the storm.*

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# Thank you!

After one of the most powerful storms ever recorded crashed across the central islands of the Philippines – you responded with an outpouring of prayers and financial support. Thank you. One year later, we remember and pray for all who lost their lives, homes, communities and livelihoods to Typhoon Haiyan. Because of gifts from people like you, more than \$2.5 million was collected to directly respond to this disaster through Lutheran Disaster Response. Together, we were able to provide immediate need to people and their communities affected, and we continue to walk with our brothers and sisters in the Philippines who are still working to rebuild their lives and livelihoods.



## Trusted partner

Lutheran Disaster Response works with an extensive network of partners who are actively engaged with communities on the ground. When Typhoon Haiyan hit the Philippines, conversations were already taking place. Within days after the typhoon made landfall our trusted partner, Lutheran World Relief, was responding to those affected. And a year later, we are still there, continuing our work with Lutheran World Relief and working with the National Council of Churches in the Philippines.



Adam Padilla stands in front of his fishing net.

## Hope after the Typhoon

Because of people like you, Lutheran Disaster Response working with the National Council of Churches in the Philippines, is able to help those whose homes and livelihoods were destroyed by the typhoon. Through your gifts, you have helped people regain their lives. People like Alan Padilla.

“The typhoon destroyed my house and my boat. My family and I were left with nothing. Now we live in a temporary shelter that I built. We have received food assistance and non-food items. I am assembling a new fishing net that I received as livelihood provision,” says Alan.

In a village where fishing is not just a job but your way of life, Alan is happy to start fishing again and earn an income to provide for his family. He gives thanks to the help he received through your gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response.

# We are a church that rolls up our sleeves and gets to work.

Working with our trusted partners, Lutheran World Relief and the National Council of Churches in the Philippines, Lutheran Disaster Response has taken an active role in providing for the immediate needs of people and rebuilding communities after Typhoon Haiyan.



## SHELTER

After more than 4 million people were displaced by the storm, shelter became an immediate need. Within 10 days after the typhoon hit, shelter repair assistance was given to more than 25,000 people who were impacted by the storm. Repair kits contained materials such as plywood, coco lumber, iron roofing sheets, nails, a hammer and handsaw. Shelter repair kits made it possible for people to rebuild and return home as soon as possible.



## WASH (WATER/SANITATION/HYGIENE)

Safe drinking water, proper sanitation and hygiene materials were immense concerns following the storm. Great strides have been made in this area with 240 community water filtration units installed, benefiting 8,000 people, and 88 wells constructed or repaired. In addition to increasing access to safe drinking water, hygiene kits containing soap, water collection buckets and toothbrushes were distributed to more than 65,000 people. Efforts to increase household sanitation continue as Lutheran Disaster Response is supporting the construction of family latrines, which will assist more than 11,000 people.



## CASH-FOR-WORK

Cash-for-work activities were implemented to assist people whose livelihoods were destroyed by the typhoon. These activities include projects like debris removal and cleaning out drainage and irrigation canals. More than 23,000 people participated in cash-for-work activities. Cash-for-work activities allow people to help in rebuilding their communities while also earning an income to provide for their families.



## NON-FOOD ITEMS

Several non-food items were distributed after the typhoon to help families meet short-term needs. More than 16,000 people were provided with solar lamps, which could serve as a light source and power charging station without having access to electricity. Kitchen sets, mosquito nets, baby-care kits and school kits were also provided. These small material gifts helped provide some much-needed relief to families who were displaced.



## FOOD

Many of the area's major food sources were disrupted by the typhoon, which has made food security a concern for many families. Food baskets will be distributed to 20,000 people and consist of rations of rice, cooking oil, sugar, salt and dry fish for two weeks at a time. The food will be provided as necessary through the end of January 2015.

When the dust settles  
and the headlines change,  
**Lutheran Disaster Response**  
*stays to provide*  
ongoing assistance  
to those in need.

## Building resiliency and restoring livelihoods

In an effort to stand with our brothers and sisters affected by the typhoon, Lutheran Disaster Response in coordination with the National Council of Churches in the Philippines will assist in the construction of two multi-purpose community centers and evacuation shelters. During times of emergency, the shelters will serve as community evacuation centers. In non-disaster times, the centers will serve as venues for capacity building and disaster preparedness training workshops for church and community leaders.

To build resiliency on an emotional and spiritual level, programs will also be implemented among leaders of villages and families, especially female-headed households, through support groups that will focus on well-being.

The fishing and agriculture industries were hit hard by Typhoon Haiyan, which caused many people to lose their jobs. Working with Lutheran World Relief, Lutheran Disaster Response will focus on long-term livelihood needs to restore fishing communities and diversify crop production.

## Help, hope and healing

Your gifts made it possible for the church to respond – bringing help, hope and healing to neighbors in their time of need. Thank you. Please pray for people and communities in the Philippines as they continue to not only rebuild their homes but their lives as well.



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