Integral Responds to Hurricane Matthew in Haiti



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Integral Alliance has launched a Disaster Response for Hurricane Matthew. Twelve Integral Members have opted into the response, with a further seven considering how they can be involved.

Overall it is estimated that 1.24 million people have been affected by this Category 4 Hurricane which struck the southwest coast of Haiti 0700 local time (1200 GMT) on 4 October. Currently, 350,000 people require humanitarian assistance, and 14,530 have been displaced. Priority sectors have been identified as Shelter, Health, and WASH [Source here].

Six of our Members have existing long term work in Haiti - Food for the Hungry (USA), Medical Teams International (USA), Tearfund (UK), World Concern (USA), World Relief (USA) and World Renew (USA and Canada). A further five Members - MAP International (USA), SEL France and Tearfund (New Zealand), Transform Aid (Australia) and World Relief (Canada), work with Haitian Partners or are supporting other Integral Members. Medair (Switzerland) have deployed a multisectoral team for this disaster. Over the next few days coordinated assessment teams will gather information on the needs, and begin distribution of emergency supplies, including tents, metal roofing, and a two-week supply of food and clean water.

Chris Sheach, World Concern's Disaster Response Director, says, "Of special concern are displaced people who recently arrived from the Dominican Republic who are living in tents. While we hope to get all of them into shelter, they will likely lose everything they own."

He continues, "The fact that this is an Integral joint response means that we are able to do simultaneous assessment across all our locations in the country. We are pooling our resources in order to move faster."

Integral Members will continue to use the Integral online platform to share photos and stories, information and plans with each other.

Integral's website: www.integralalliance.org

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On Integral Collaboration:

 Integral's goal is for all its Members to become more effective and efficient in their work and to see greater impact and reach as a result of working collaboratively.

Integral Members have a collaborative strategy for responding to disasters, with the **Integral Disaster Response Process** co-ordinating the emergency

activities of its Members. The aim of the Integral DR process is to combine resources to ensure that as many people as possible are reached with the assistance they need. The Integral Secretariat plays a co-ordinating role to facilitate better communication between all Members in disaster situations with the aim of increasing support and avoiding duplication.

Integral has 23 Members with headquarters in 14 countries.

Integral Members work in over 80 countries, with more than 650 local partners, in over 40 sectors and have a combined income of over \$700m USDs.

All Members sign up to the <u>Red Cross Code of Conduct</u> and <u>Sphere Standards</u>, and have an agreed <u>Quality Standards Statement</u>.

Integral Members are:

CEDAR Fund - Hong Kong

Food for the Hungry - USA

Integra - Slovakia

International Health Partners - UK

MAP International - USA

Medical Teams International - USA

Medair - **Switzerland**

Missions Alliance - Norway

Mission East - Denmark

SEL France - France

TEAR Australia - Australia

Tear- Netherlands

<u>Tearfund</u> – **Belgium**

<u>Tearfund</u> - **Ireland**

TEAR Fund - **New Zealand**

<u>Tear Fund</u> - **Switzerland**

Tearfund - UK

<u>Transform Aid International</u> - **Australia**

World Concern - USA

World Relief Canada - Canada

World Relief - USA

World Renew - Canada & USA

ZOA - The Netherlands