



-Imagine a massive earthquake strikes. Your home has been destroyed. What would you do? Where would you live?

-Now imagine a big green box arrives with a tent to shelter your family and the tools you need to help you rebuild your life.

-Simply put, that's what we do--provide shelter, warmth and dignity to disaster survivors around the world.

-Eleven (11) years ago, a Rotarian 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.



(Talk about what we do and the contents of a box.)

-Each box provides an extended family with a tent and lifesaving equipment to use while they are displaced or homeless for at least 6 months.

-The contents are tailored depending on the nature and location of the disaster with great care taken sourcing every item to ensure it is quality and gives lasting value.

-For every donation of \$1,000, we are able to send a ShelterBox to a family in need. This covers the cost of the contents, transportation, storage, training and travel of the volunteer response team members that deliver the box to the world's most vulnerable.

-It may be six days, six weeks or even six months before boxes are despatched but unlike other agencies, ShelterBox promises your donation will help a family who have lost everything and you will be able to see where your donation went.



The disaster relief tent included in each ShelterBox are widely regarded as the best disaster relief tents on the market. Therefore it has undergone rigorous testing by manufacturer Vango which has been with ShelterBox since day 1.

The tent, and its poles, are tested in wind and rain tunnels with winds reaching 120 kilometers per hour. (A video of the tent being tested can be seen on the ShelterBox YouTube channel

www.youtube.com/shelterboxuk)



-ShelterBox has over 160 highly trained individuals around the world who travel to the disaster area and make sure the boxes get to those who need them the most by any means available

They typically work with aid agencies, civic groups, and military to get the job done.

-So much aid gets stuck in customs around the world. We have SRT to make sure that doesn't happen to our equipment and to ensure that we get the boxes into the hands of the most needy.



HOW IT'S POSSIBLE (Talk about the generosity of donors worldwide)

-ShelterBoxes are sponsored by generous donors from around the world, including within the U.S.

-Individuals, Rotary Clubs, businesses and foundations make monetary contributions to help sponsor aid.

-Volunteer Ambassadors raise awareness by giving presentations or organizing initiatives in their community.

-Other volunteers get involved by organizing fundraising campaigns, events and other initiatives.

Pictured: Students hold a lemonade stand to raise funds for ShelterBox's relief efforts in Japan.



THE ROTARY CONNECTION

-ShelterBox has a special relationship with Rotary and with clubs in more than 200 countries worldwide they give us vital information and support. ShelterBox is a Global Club Rotary Project

-ShelterBox was founded by Rotarians and is able to fulfill its mission because of the support of its global network of Rotarians.

-Not only do Clubs and Rotary members support ShelterBox by making monetary contributions and raising awareness within the U.S., but Rotarians play important roles in the field as well.

For example... (next slide)



-During our recent deployment in Arkansas, we were able to deliver 28 ShelterBoxes for families affected by the storms and tornadoes that tore through Joplin and other areas in our nation's southern states because of the help of Rotarians.

-A District Governor from Arkansas made the first call to request assistance.

-Our response team worked with the local Rotary club member and local authorities who helped identify the worst hit areas where there was a need for tented shelter.

Pictured: Local Scouts help our ShelterBox Response Team set up tents for families in rural Etna and Denning, Arkansas.

-So let's talk about some other notable deployments



CURRENT DEPLOYMENT
Turkey

Following the massive earthquake that struck southeast Turkey on 23 October, a ShelterBox team is on the ground in the affected area to offer assistance to families in need.

Initial consignment of 2000 boxes being prepared. First boxes will be flown from UK on 10/31/11



Estimated 2,000 buildings destroyed.



CURRENT DEPLOYMENT

Thailand

ShelterBox are responding to some of the worst flooding Thailand has ever seen.

Nearly 1000 tents have been committed to the South East Asian country and the ShelterBox Response Team in Thailand are working with the local Rotary, Thai Red Cross and the Army to distribute to displaced families.



CURRENT DEPLOYMENT

East Africa, Drought

-The drought affecting the Eastern Horn of Africa is the worst the region has seen in 60 years. Millions of families have been affected by massive water and food shortages, and the drought and on-going conflict in Somalia is causing families to flee their homes, with thousands arriving at refugee camps in [Kenya](#) and [Ethiopia](#) every day.



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The refugee camps in Dadaab, 100 km from the Kenya-Somalia border, were originally designed to accommodate 90,000 refugees but the latest figures indicate that close to 400,000 people are living in and around the camps

Kenya – 7000 tents

Ethiopia – 574 Boxes delivered



Idra, her mother Osman Dahabo, and her five siblings - one-month old Ifran, Ahmed aged three, Ibrahim aged four, Liban aged nine and Nahwo aged fifteen - moved into the emergency shelter tent last night (Thursday 18 August). She said: 'It was so nice last night I cried with happiness and went to sleep.'



RECENT DEPLOYMENTS

-Japan, Earthquake and Tsunami in March where we delivered 1,680 ShelterBoxes



RECENT DEPLOYMENTS

Pakistan – Widespread flooding last fall

-We sent in enough sent in enough emergency shelter for almost 100,000 people. (8,000 boxes/ 20,000 Lifestraws)



CURRENT

Brazil, floods in 2010 where we sent in over 1,000 ShelterBoxes



RECENT DEPLOYMENTS

Chile, Earthquake in 2010

-1,000 boxes



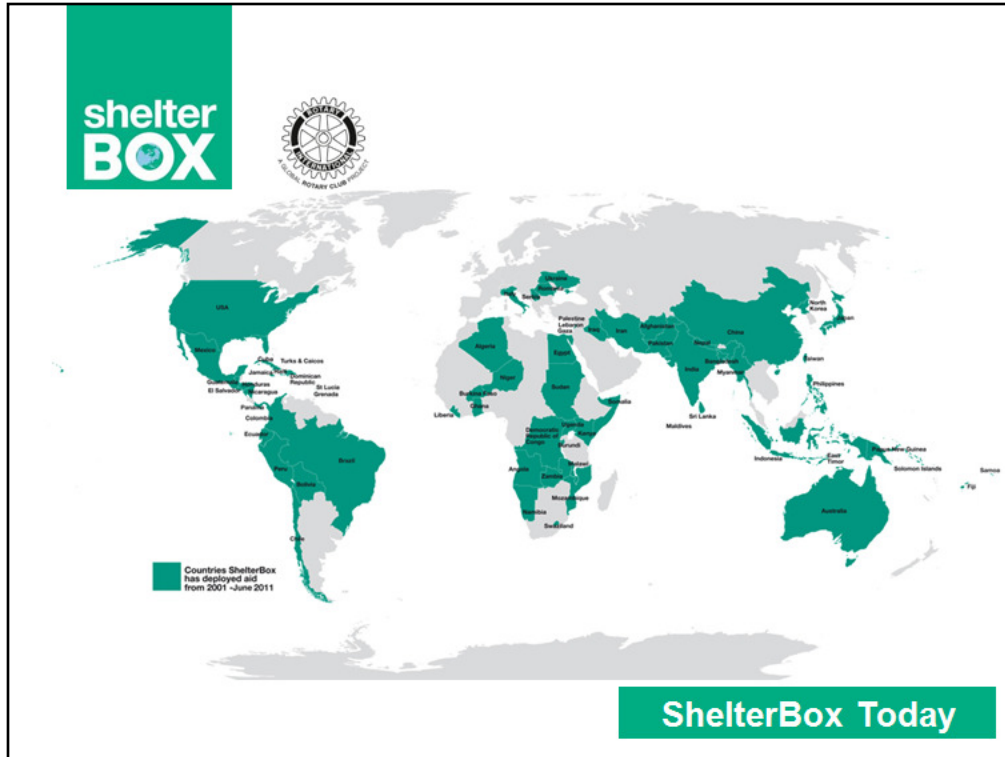
RECENT DEPLOYMENTS

Haiti, Earthquake in January 2010

ShelterBox provided more than 1/4 of all of the tented shelter in Haiti.



-More than 27,000 ShelterBoxes, including 35,000 tents were delivered.



- Eleven (11) years ago, one man had a vision and we've come a long way since.
- Since 2000, ShelterBox has responded to more than 150 disasters in over 70 countries.
- We've delivered more than 100,000 boxes and sheltered more than a million people.
- We have grown to have over 19 affiliates around the world.



- Natural and manmade disasters are inevitable and frequent, and the need is staggering.
- The next major disaster can strike at any moment, and ShelterBox must be prepared to respond.
- Because of this, ShelterBox plan is to focus on procurement and buffer stock...
- prepositioned stock for the next inevitable disaster
- Goal to have 100,000 tents on hand (5,000 tents now ready to go)

The Future

**Our vision is to provide shelter,
warmth and dignity for at least
500,000 people annually.**

-ShelterBox has grown rapidly since its inception in 2000, providing disaster relief all over the world.

-With the unique knowledge we've gained on the ground and the networks and infrastructure created, we are now in a strong position to significantly increase the number of people we help.

-The objective is to provide aid to at least 500,000 people every year by 2013.



-Further, ShelterBox will increase efficiency and effectiveness by responding to specific needs. (Talk about palletized aid...)

-Not everyone needs a full box.

For example:

-In Pakistan, where widespread flooding displaced four million people last year, clean water was a critical need. In addition to full ShelterBoxes, we delivered an additional 20,000 water purification.

-In Japan, we not only delivered 1,680 ShelterBoxes but also 10,000 hats, glove, scarf sets to aid with the cold temperatures.

-In Haiti, we delivered full boxes, as well as disaster relief tents making out total amount of tents delivered to more than 35,000 tents.

-We also send boxes of children's activity packs where schools and other infrastructure have been destroyed.



As you can tell, we are keeping an eye on the future and anticipating the needs of the world's most vulnerable – survivors of natural and other disasters.

So, What keeps us passionate about our mission?

Read Lahnina story...

While setting up the ShelterBox camp in Brazil after horrible flooding, one of our Response Team was befriended by six-year old Brazilian girl, Laninha.

The girl lived on the outskirts of the camp they were setting up! She was really interested in all the work they were doing and especially the tents.

Before our SRT left, Laninha gave her a letter that her older sister helped her to write. The letter read:

Dear Jodie,

Everybody has reasons to be grateful when special people pass our lives by. They spend their time and show us kindness just by sharing it with us. They let us know that we are in their minds through the good acts they do and that they really do care about us.

You are all these special people and you will always deserve our endless thanks.

The things that you and your friends have done with such compassion and kindness make us



So how can **YOU** help families like Lahnina's?

-Fund a box. This could be your box number this volunteer is pointing to. To connect you with the people you are helping, each box is given a unique number. You'll have the opportunity to track the box to its final destination country via the ShelterBox website.

-Give of your time by spreading the word about ShelterBox in your community. You could join the more than 25 volunteers located in California and 300 nationwide by becoming a ShelterBox Ambassador and raising support for the mission from civic groups, schools, businesses and individuals. Visit shelterboxusa.org/beinvolved

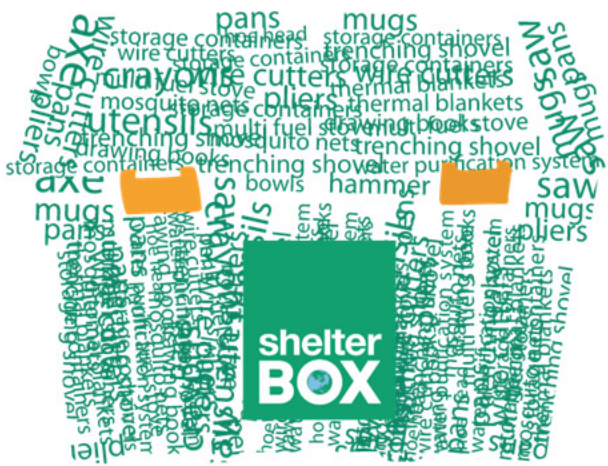
-Hold a fundraiser

-Federal Employees can donate through the Combined Federal Campaign by using the charity code #89030

-You can even donate before leaving this room...



- text the word "Shelter" to 20-222 to make a one-time \$10 donation (standard text rates apply)
- For other ways to donate take a look at the brochures at your seat
- But as we say in ShelterBox, please do something. Don't do nothing.



Shelter. Warmth. Dignity.

ShelterBoxUSA.org

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