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Your donation is delivering help and hope to people devastated by the earthquake in China

On May 12, an earthquake measuring 7.9 on the Richter scale devastated China's south-western province of Sichuan leaving millions in urgent need of emergency assistance. The earthquake killed over 69,000 people, injured 374,000 and left 15 million homeless.

The destruction is staggering. Survivors are still in urgent need of shelter, medical treatment, water and sanitation and psychosocial support. Once immediate needs are met survivors will need help rebuilding their homes, their communities and their lives.

Your donation is making a world of difference.

The immediate response of the Red Cross & Red Crescent Movement



Yunghong Zang, Asia program manager, Canadian Red Cross

"Canadians can be proud that their donations are helping to provide much needed relief to the millions affected by the earthquake in China.

I have seen first hand how your gift is rapidly being turned into aid for those who need it most. "-- Yunghong Zang, Asia program manager, Canadian Red Cross.

The Red Cross response to the earthquake in China was immediate. More than 35,000 local Red Cross volunteers continue to help distributing relief supplies and providing shelter to thousands of people left homeless.

Currently, two Red Cross and Red Crescent water purification units are providing clean drinking water for up to 30,000 people each day. These water purification units are reaching hospitals, schools and families living in temporary shelters in Jiulong and Xinglong townships.

The Red Cross is also providing proper sanitation and hygiene training and education. Around 90 latrines have been completed or are under construction in Jiulong and Banqiao townships.

There is also a great need for tents. The International Federation is mobilizing up to 100,000 tents which are arriving daily in Chengdu and is expected to be completed by the end of July.

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Thanks to the generosity of donors like you, the Canadian Red Cross was able to quickly respond to the urgent needs of survivors. The Canadian Red Cross has deployed aid worker, Yunhong Zhang, to lead the international response activities and delivered 1,000 urgently-needed tents with an additional 6,250 on the way.

The Canadian Red Cross has been an important partner of the Chinese Red Cross in areas of disaster relief and disaster preparedness in China for the last 17 years. In that time, the Canadian Red Cross has responded more than 20 times and contributed approximately \$8 million to support emergency activities during earthquakes, typhoon, and floods in China.

Thanks to your contribution, this history of support continues for earthquake survivors.



"We are grateful for the generosity Canadians have shown in response to this disaster," says Canadian Red Cross Secretary General Conrad Sauvé.

"Thanks to donors like you – the Canadian Red Cross is helping to make a big difference in the lives of those affected by the earthquake."



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