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American Red Cross Commits \$10,000,000 to the Haitian Earthquake

Public Donations being Accepted to Assist with Relief Efforts

[SPOKANE] January 14, 2010 — As the situation in Haiti continues to unfold and the damage is assessed, the American Red Cross increased its disaster relief commitment to \$10,000,000 today. People who want to help those affected by the Haitian earthquake can make a donation to the American Red Cross International Response (donations should be designated **AP 2885 Haiti Relief and Development.**)

Ways to donate include:

Through the local Chapter:

- Online (secure): www.spokaneredcross.org
- Mail/In-person: 315 W. Nora Ave, Spokane, WA 99205
- Over the phone: 509-326-3330

Through the American Red Cross

- Online: to the International Relief Fund at www.redcross.org
- Mail: American Red Cross, P.O. Box 37243, Washington, D.C. 20013
- Phone: 1-800-REDCROSS or 1-800-257-7575 (Spanish)

Mobile

- Text "HAITI" to "90999" and an automatic donation of \$10 will be given to the American Red Cross.

Other

- At any U.S. Bank location – just mention the AMERICAN RED CROSS HAITI EARTHQUAKE DONATION ACCOUNT.

While appreciated, in-kind donations such as bottled water and clothing are not currently being accepted. There nothing in place to store, sort, or distribute such items right now.

At this time, the American Red Cross is only deploying Red Cross volunteers specially trained to manage international emergency operations. No local volunteers are currently scheduled to deploy to Haiti.

About the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies nearly half of the nation's blood; teaches lifesaving skills; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a charitable organization — not a government agency — and depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit www.redcross.org or join our blog at <http://blog.redcross.org>.

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