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ROTARY DISTRICT 6630 NEWS

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Governor's Letter

Wow! Another month is almost past us! It seems like only a week ago I shared the wonderful news about our Centennial Foundation Celebration. I am still hearing feedback about the amazing day we shared. Think about the impact 2.15 million dollars will have in the world! Gives me goosebumps! The event was the best example of what Rotarians can accomplish working together.

Since the Centennial events, our District 6630 has been busy. Let me share some highlights.

THE INTERACT CONFERENCE

Over 120 students from 12 schools participated on Saturday, November 5th. The event was held at the Mayfield Church in Chesterland and was an awesome experience! The students had the opportunity to share ideas, compare projects, and have fun. The students voted to work together to raise 'Shoes For the Soul' as their district project. They will collect shoes through April and we will see the results at our District Conference. WOW. I can't wait to see what they do this year! Remember last year when they built bookcases and collected over 6000 books? They have another year under their belt! This year more clubs exist to participate

and we are making InterAct a central part of our conference. CELEBRATE ROTARY, CELEBRATE YOUTH! It is going to be great!

Thanks to West Geauga High School for hosting the Conference. Thanks to Roger Cram, Aurora, for a most thought provoking and wonderful address about doing good deeds anonymously.

His Sshhh... program is amazing and the students were captivated and inspired! WOW! Thanks to Bob Heydorn, Patrick Kelley and Bob Huge for talking about the Rotary Exchange programs.

Bob Oborn and Arne Van der Heyde are taking InterAct to new heights!

WELCOME NEW CLUBS

It was great to see the new InterAct Clubs! Ashtabula and Cuyahoga Falls are new clubs which attended the event. Congratulations to Rocky River Middle School and Lakewood High School which received their charters.

If your club is starting an InterAct Club, be sure to let us know if we can help.

TIME STOPS FOR NO ONE

As I am really getting comfortable serving as DG, a reminder came last Saturday just how quickly a year passes. On Saturday November 12, my wonderful

successor, Amy Kapostas, held her PETS 1 training at Mentor High School. As I observed the training, I saw what great leaders will take over as club presidents in July. Wow! We are in good hands! It is a great time to be a Rotarian!

4 WAY TEST SPEECH CONTEST

Save these dates. On January 13th, Peter DeSouza will have an informative meeting for clubs reps. On April 8th, the District will have its event at Aurora High School. The winners will highlight the Conference Luncheon on Saturday, April 22nd. It's time to get your club involved with your schools so you have contestants this year. Everyone who participates in this contest is a winner!

THANKSGIVING

We have so much to be thankful for. Rotarians are blessed to be able to share with others because we have so much. The amazing thing is the more we share, the more we reach our potential. Enjoy the holiday season! While you are sharing the holidays with friends and family, share the gift of Rotary!

There is so much to do! And time flies. We need more willing hands and glad hearts. Help us grow!

Your Grateful District Governor, Jim McKee

Akron Rotary Camp Chili Open

Join us on February 4, 2017 for the 2017 Chili Open, at Hale Farm and Village benefiting the Akron Rotary Camp. ([Watch Chili Open Video Here](#))

Since its inception, the Chili Open has raised over \$2.7 million to provide support to families with children with special needs. At Rotary Camp, campers are provided the opportunity to experience traditional camping activities, develop relationships, learn life skills, and create memories that last a lifetime. Currently, Rotary Camp annually serves almost 2,000 children and adults along with their families with a wide range of developmental

and physical disabilities and mental health disorders through our day, overnight, and year-round respite camp programs.

Our goal for the 27th annual Chili Open is \$250,000 and in order for us to have another successful event to support the Camp WE NEED YOUR HELP. If you or your company would like to provide a Sponsorship, please contact the Akron Rotary Camp Office (330) 644-4512.

There are also many other ways to get involved:

- Purchase a CAMPERSHIP for only \$500. It will provide one week of camp for a child with special

needs.

- Purchase ADVERTISING in the Chili Open Tabloid Newspaper that is distributed to over 135,000 households throughout Summit County.

- Purchase RAFFLE TICKETS or ask friends, family, and co-workers to buy tickets at only \$20 per ticket. Every one stands a chance to win one of four great prizes, that includes a 2017 Chevrolet Sonic LS, a LG 55" 4k Smart TV, a Fox Sports Ohio Behind-the-Scene Media Package to a 2017 Cleveland Indians Game, or 2 tickets to the 2017 Bridgestone Invitational Golf Tournament. 6

tickets for \$100 will give you an entry into Snowmania for a chance to win \$50,000.

Please visit **Chiliopen.net** for more information about the Chili Open, to purchase a sponsorship, register to golf, purchase a Clubhouse pass, or to purchase a raffle ticket. Thank you for helping us achieve the mission of Rotary Camp *"Creating a world where there are only abilities!"*

With Gratitude, in the spirit of camping,

Julie Brandle and Rick Rockich
Co-Chairs, 2017 Chili Open



Much to Give Thanks For

I am writing this message during Thanksgiving week. This is truly a great time to reflect on our personal and Rotary lives and to give thanks for all that we have been blessed with. Within the last month our district and the Centennial Committee was able to produce an incredible celebration to honor 100 years of the Rotary Foundation and all of the great work that it has accomplished in this time frame. For those who were able to attend, it will remain one of the wonderful events in our lives. There is no greater example of the simple statement of "doing good in the world" than our foundation. So let's give thanks today, and every day for that matter, for this great organization and the good that we are able to do.

It is an understatement to say that much still needs to be done. As we complete one humanitarian task, several more seem to pop up like a "wacke-a-mole" game. We continue to battle for the eradication of polio but the final end game continues to elude and frustrate us. We cannot and will not stop now. Our promise must be kept. The world is watching. Our other global grant projects continue to attack humanitarian problems around the globe. The Vocational Training Team (VTT) project in Haiti is set to continue shortly after the first of

the year in Haiti. This incredible partnership between Rotary, Gift-of-Life NE Ohio, Gift-of-Life International, St. Damien's Hospital in Port-au-Prince and Akron Children's Hospital will send the training team from Akron to St. Damien's to continue the education in Haiti and work towards the end goal of a self-sustaining Haitian staffed pediatric heart surgery unit in Haiti; the first of its kind.

Many other Global projects are in the works. Projects in India, Africa, South America and other parts of the world are progressing. Our district's heavy involvement in the Rotary Peace Scholar program is another way our foundation is working toward humanitarian good.

So I ask you to give thanks for the good things that are part of your life. But also give a few moments of thanks for being a Rotarian and all the good you are able to do in the world.

Robert "Bob" Johnson
Rotary District 6630 Foundation Chair

News From TRC Port-Summit

Port-Summit Rotary Club has been involved in so many wonderful activities over the past month! To name a few: we co-sponsored an "Unskating Party" for students with disabilities at the Springfield Lake Roller Rink; members participated in Serve Ohio by cleaning up

the Lake-more Parks; we had members volunteer at the Salvation Army to sign families up for Christmas assistance; a

also had many members help celebrate Arch Klumph at Severance Hall while listening to the Cleveland Orchestra.

To expand on a few events, our work day for the Port-Summit Memorial Garden was on October 29th. Eleven of our members attended and worked to weed, trim and plant mums donated by our member, Richard Cole.



Memorial stones of past members were placed in the ground to make a walkway leading to a bench. A flag was also installed in honor of Veteran's Day.

Another noteworthy event was the dinner for the veterans on November 10th. In attendance were over 70 veterans and family members. Ten members of Port-Summit Rotary served dinner to the veterans and our member, Kim DeBenedictis, spoke at the event. This was the fourth year for this event. Every year we honor our veterans for their service for which we are grateful. Western Reserve Hospice joined us to pin the veterans and discuss their various offerings such as the Honor Flight and more.



booth for Rotary International was set up at the Mogadore High School's Craft Fair; we worked to clean up the Port-Summit Rotary Club Memorial Garden; and members served at the Mogadore Library's Veteran's Day Dinner. We



News From TRC Painesville

Here is a great picture of the Painesville Rotary and a volunteer from Mentor Rotary, Amy Kapostasy – preparing and serving the meal tonight (11/15/2016) for the needy at St James Church in Painesville! Painesville Rotary does the meal every 3rd Tuesday of the month and we love to have other Rotarians join us in volunteering!



District Governor Nominee Designate

The nominating committee, under chairwoman and Immediate Past District Governor, Cheryl Warren, has met and selected John Reyes, member of the Rotary Club of Akron, as the 2015-16 District Governor Nominee Designate (in line to serve as District Governor for the 2019-2020 Rotary year).

Per our District bylaws, we informed each club of the nomination and allowed for a challenge period of 2 weeks. No challenges were submitted and the challenge period has now expired.

I am very pleased to announce that John Reyes is hereby declared our 2015-16 District Governor Nominee Designate and the forms have duly been submitted to Rotary International for his certification.



About John:

John Reyes is an Ohio native having been born in Steubenville. He grew up in Stark County, graduating from Sandy Valley High School and completing his undergraduate work in political science at The University of Akron. Thereafter, he attended and graduated from The Vanderbilt University School of Law in 1978. He has practiced law in the fields of commercial litigation, products liability defense and public law with the law firm of Buckingham, Doolittle & Burroughs in Akron, Ohio from September 1978 to date.

John is married to Linda, a Cleveland

native, who is an infection control officer for Fairview Hospital, a part of the Cleveland Clinic Group. They reside in West Akron and have four children and one grandson.

John began his Rotary career in April of 1994 with the Rotary Club of Akron and has served in various capacities including Club President, a member of the Club's Board of Directors, and a member of the Akron Rotary Foundation Board of Directors. In addition, he has had the pleasure of serving as an Assistant Governor, a member of the District Finance Committee, a member of the District Grants Committee, the District Bylaws Committee, the District Nominating Committee and was Chair of the District GSE Team in 2012.

John stated that he is both honored and humbled to be asked to serve as the District Governor for the 2019-2020 Rotary year. He said, "I am extremely excited to work with the superb leadership team in District 6630 which not only honors the good works of those who served before but which will also chart the course forward to work with all of the Clubs and Rotarians of the District."

Please join me in congratulating John as he begins this very exciting and amazing journey with our District. His email is jreyes@bdblaw.com.

Your partner in Rotary Service,
Jim McKee
2016-17 District 6630 Governor

Shoe Boxes Head to Nicaragua

Jack Young, PDG indicated Shoe Boxes, school supplies, firefighting equipment and other medical equipment are on the final leg of their trip to the Children of the Dump in Chinandega, Nicaragua. Rotarians from 5 Rotary Districts and states will leave the first of January 2017 to deliver these items to the teachers and Children.



We have 7 Rotarians and friends of Rotary from our district who have indicated they will be going to Nicaragua. If you want to join Rotarians on this International experience or have questions on the trip Please contact PDG Young before December 1 of this year for details. Remember an updated passport is required.



All young people are encouraged to experience this amazing opportunity to serve others.

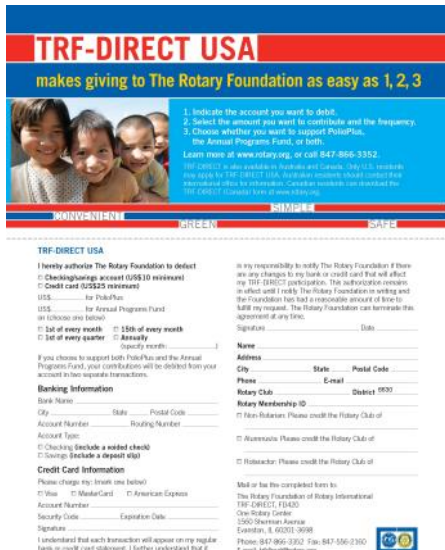


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The Rotary Club of Cleveland built its second Little Free Library and placed it at the new Zelma George Emergency Family Shelter of the Salvation Army, dedicated on November 17, 2016. The Little Free Library was built by Rotary member Bill Nice and painted by Club Trustee Gloria Ritter. Club Past President Paul Qua has been the driving force behind the Cleveland Rotary Little Free Library projects.



Paul learned about Little Free Libraries at the RI Convention in Sydney Australia and has been an advocate ever since. The Zelma George Emergency Family Shelter of the Salvation Army serves homeless families in the Cleveland area. It provides not only shelter but also teaches the residents life skills, makes sure their children attend school, and helps them find new housing.

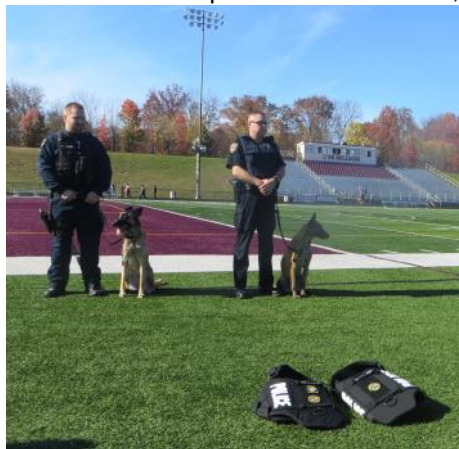


By Christina M. Gary,

On November 5th, The Rotary Club of Stow-Munroe Falls was honored to present protective ballistic vests to Mingo and Ryot, the newest canine members of the Stow and Munroe Falls police departments. The formal presentation occurred at the Stow-Munroe Falls High School Stadium. The ballistic vests were obtained through a District 6630 matching grant. These life-saving vest help protect the police dogs from gun shots, stabbings, explosives, and blunt force trauma. These vests will keep the K9s safe while keeping our communities safe.



During the presentation, Rotarian, Christina Gary, explained the idea behind obtaining these vests. After hearing about another police K9 who passed away from injuries sustained during an apprehension, she wondered whether the Stow and Munroe Falls police departments had protective vests for their K9 officers. She assisted the help of fellow Rotarian,



and Stow Police Chief, Jeff Film, to research the need for both departments. It was discovered that Mingo from the Stow department, and Ryot from the Munroe Falls department,

did not have protective vests yet. The idea was formed that the club could apply for a District 6630 matching grant to purchase these vests. Because the club services both Stow and Munroe Falls, it was a great way to provide life-saving equipment to both communities. After months of paperwork, phone calls, and emails, Christina's idea became a reality.



Following the presentation, Mingo and Ryot, both female Belgian Malinois canines, demonstrated their narcotic detection abilities. The Rotarians, community members, and civic leaders in attendance had the opportunity to ask questions and interact with the canines and their partners in a safe and fun atmosphere. It was a great way to enjoy the sunny afternoon while making a difference in their local communities.



Interaction 2016 Hosted by West Geauga Interact

By Austin Maguire

West Geauga Interact Club President

Interact's mission is to bring students together to initiate change, and that's exactly what District 6630's Interact clubs did at this year's Interaction. 120 volunteers united -- balloons at the ready -- on November 5th to exchange ideas, successes, and advice from one club to the next. They "Interacted."



Interaction, the annual gathering of the Interact clubs within District 6630, provided the students with the incredible opportunity to listen to several captivating speakers, brainstorm ideas, and collectively decide on a district service project. Keynote speaker Roger Cram, founder of the Secret Society of Serendipitous Service to Hal (SSSSH), inspired even Bob Oborn, District 6630 Interact Co-Chair, with his heartwarming discussion of his organization and the good it brings to the world through anonymous acts of kindness. Roger aided Chelsea Talty, advisor of the West Geauga Interact Club and planner of the event, in creating the Rotaract club at Hiram College, and graciously shared his successes with both Rotary and SSSSH.

Expanding beyond just District 6630, the Interact members gained international perspectives from ten Rotary Youth Exchange students in attendance, generating interest amongst several students to participate in both the short-term and long-term programs available. Bob Huge, Bob Heydorn, Pat Kelley, and Judy Stull delivered an incredible presentation, including a letter written by a Rotary Youth Exchange student describing the life changing nature of the experience.

While the speakers provided great context for the students and the work they are doing, the main objective of the event was to come up with a district project for the clubs to participate in and concluding at the District Conference in April. Last year, the Interact clubs successfully delivered over (#) books to inner city schools in need. This year, "Shoes for the Soul" was the overwhelming favorite of the projects suggested by the students, in which each club will collect new and lightly used shoes to bring to the District Conference and donate them to a charity. Although it is not finalized, the clubs are hoping to send this collection to children in need in a different country.

Most notable of the event was the mosh pit filled with confusion and animal noises as the students participated in a balloon activity. Each participant received a balloon and a notecard and was instructed to write a question pertaining to Interact on the notecard and to stick it in their balloon. Then, the students blew up the balloons and gathered in the middle as they played a giant game of "Don't let the Balloon Hit the Ground."

After about a minute or so, the students each popped a balloon and began to belt out the pre-written animal noise on the opposite side of the notecard in an attempt to find other students chanting the same animal noise. The students successfully found their groups and discussed the questions on the cards.



Speaking of balloons, West Geauga's Lindsey Kulp was announced as the winner of the district logo contest for the District Conference with her balloon design, winning \$100, all of which she will use to buy cans for West Geauga's food drive, we're sure.



We received amazing feedback as the event "Could not have gone better," and the Interact students are excited to touch base at the District Conference and complete this year's service project, "Shoes for the Soul." See you there!

District 6630 Newsletter Policy

**Submit story suggestions to Mike Johns, Jr.
at stonecut@sbcglobal.net.**

We accept article ideas about club and district successes, including fundraisers, publicity efforts, service projects, and membership drives. Please include descriptions, high-resolution photos, and contact information in your email. Due to the high volume of submissions, we cannot promise to feature your story.

**PLEASE USE "ARTICLE FOR DISTRICT NEWSLETTER"
IN THE SUBJECT LINE**

Interaction 2016 Another Perspective

What a great day Saturday was at Interaction 2016 held at the Mayfield Church in Chesterland hosted by West Geauga High School Interact Club and the Rotary Club of Chesterland. First and foremost, kudos goes to Chelsea Talty, the Interact Advisor for WGHS Interact and her students who set this whole thing up. Over 110 students and 25 Rotarians were there and they made sure all were comfortable, well fed and entertained! Our



District Governor Jim McKee welcomed everyone and was honored to present to Lindsey Kulp; a sophomore at West Geauga High School with a \$100 bill as the winner of the District Conference Logo contest. 14 great submissions were turned in by Interact students and with a very close vote, Lindsey won. See the attachment for the design. Our Key-note speaker was Roger Cram, who spoke of random acts of kindness and told us about a secret group any-

one can join. Please visit ssssh.org for further information. I think the Interact Clubs will be doing something with this for the coming year.

The Interact kids spend time determining what their signature District Service Project would be, and "Shoes for the Soul"; collecting shoes to send to Africa where many use water bottles tied to their feet for shoes. Stay tuned for much more concerning this in the coming weeks as this will culminate at the District Conference.

We also talked about the carnival at



the District conference that will be games made and run by Interact Clubs that Rotarians will play for chances as gift baskets. There will be cash prizes for the Interact Clubs with the best games. We have three signed up and need nine more games. A Picture booth, cotton candy, popcorn and snow cones will help keep everyone

entertained along with the games. Send your ideas to me as soon as you can to secure your game before another school does!

Youth Exchange did a great presentation on long and short term exchange scholarships available for those who apply. Who wouldn't want the chance at a \$35,000 year long study abroad scholarship funded by Rotary. Great job Bob Heydorn, Pat Kelley and Bob Huge and Judy Stull for being there.

For the Interact clubs that were not there, or the kids that did not make it, we missed you. The kids had a blast with each other and made new friends. Please try to get involved, especially with the service project and the District Conference Carnival. We are having fun making a difference and want you involved. If you don't have an Interact or a Rotaract club and want to start one or find out more, send me an email at

boborn@kentelastomer.com and I will help you get started.

Thanks to all those that participated and made this a success. We are all looking forward to Interaction 2017 where we hope to have a \$1000 scholarship to give away to a deserving school.

All the Best,

Bob Oborn

Rotary Foundation Named World's Outstanding Foundation



The Association of Fundraising Professionals selected The Rotary Foundation for its annual Award for Outstanding Foundation for 2016, a recognition that honors organizations that show philanthropic commitment and leadership through financial support, innovation, encouragement of others, and involvement in public affairs. Read more about the honor.

News From TRC Berea

By Linda G. Kramer
Public Image Chair
Rotary Club of Berea



Air Force Lt. Col. Angelo Nuzzo and
Berea Rotary President Bob Huge

Remembering 9/11 at the Pentagon

There are those moments in life when you will always remember where you were and what you were doing when they happened, said retired Air Force Lt. Col. Angelo Nuzzo. For one generation, it was Pearl Harbor. For another, it was the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. On Sept. 11, 2001, it was the terrorists' attack on the Twin Towers in New York City, the crashed airliner in Pennsylvania and the plane that rammed into the Pentagon, killing 184 people. Nuzzo was there.

"I was just doing my job like the 23,000 other people in the building," Nuzzo said. "It was one of the brightest, bluest skies I've ever seen. I thought 'we should be golfing.'"

TVs in the office were turned on as his staff saw the hijacked jetliners fly into the Twin Towers. "These things usually happen in threes," someone commented. About 20 minutes later, Nuzzo and his staff heard the explosion. The airliner had crashed into the Pentagon about 300 yards from Nuzzo's office. They hurriedly destroyed classified documents and then tried to exit the building. It wasn't easy. Normal routes were blocked and thousands of people were trying to leave at the same time. He and his staff did make it out safely. Other government workers were trapped.

The 60-year-old building had been updated with reinforced windows and doors. When fires broke out, the workers couldn't break the windows to escape.

One image will always stay with Nuzzo – the sight of the huge black plume of smoke rising from the wreckage. "I'll never forget that black cloud and the smell of jet fuel," Nuzzo said.

He and his staff went to work the very next day. "There was a war on," he said. "We had to prepare." Walking the Pentagon grounds was like walking through snow, he said. The soot was so thick. And the smell remained.

Back in 1941, the Pentagon took 16 months to build at a cost of \$13 million. In 2002, it took less than a year to fix the damage at cost of more than \$500 million.

A lasting reminder is the Pentagon memorial to those who lost their lives that day. The memorial is a series of bench-like markers. For those on the plane, the markers are pointed toward the building. For those in the Pentagon, the markers point outward. Nuzzo has visited the site in remembrance of a colleague who lost his life there. His remains were never found. Nuzzo said sitting on the bench that bears the Army major's name was comforting but like all survivors he wonders about the what if's.



Sheryl Harris

Scams target older adults & young people

Sheryl Harris, director of the Cuyahoga County Department of Consumer Affairs, told Berea Rotarians on

Tuesday, Nov. 1 that most telephone and internet scams target older adults and young people in their 20s.

By far, the most scammed group is younger adults, she said. "They don't have a lot of life experience," she noted and don't know how to deal with a scam or even recognize one, especially those posted on social media. They do, however, recover comparatively quickly.

Older adults, however, are often taken for larger amounts of money and have a tougher time bouncing back, said Harris, who previously wrote the "Plain Dealing" column in the PD.

One of the most common scams is the "Grandparent Scam." A young person will call crying and claiming to be a grandchild needing money for an emergency. The grandparent is asked to buy iTunes gift cards or wire money. "Some older adults have lost more than \$8,000 in such scams," Harris said.

Another common scam is a fake FBI or IRS agent calling to threaten arrest if "back taxes" aren't paid.

If the caller makes you nervous or threatens, hang up, Harris advises. One of the jobs of her office is to investigate these types of scams. In a pilot program, Harris' office is posting warning signs at Giant Eagle and Dave's Supermarkets that iTunes cards should not be purchased to pay off debts or in response to a phone call asking for funds.



Rotarians enjoyed a delicious lunch at Polaris Career Center and then toured the building. Here Community Relations Manager Doug Miller explains the precision machining lab.

Rotarians visit Polaris Career Center

This is the precision machine shop at Polaris. The equipment on the far

News From Berea cont'd

right wall was donated more than 25 years ago. Issue 119, a 0.69-mill levy on the ballot on Nov. 8, was approved by voters and will pay to replace these machines with updated equipment.



ShelterBox Update

Information by Area:

Mosul: Mosul has been a strong hold of ISIS since June 2014. A coalition of Kurdish and Iraqi forces, along with support from western forces launched an offensive on October 17th. According to the UN, the offensive to re-capture the city will potentially displace an estimated 1 million people. UNHCR is planning to have 11 camps open in Iraq that can support a total of 120,000 displaced people.

Team of two in Iraqi-Kurdistan

ACTED Partnership

600 locally procured shelter kits prepositioned for distribution to new arrivals in camps;

1,000 locally procured shelter kits being purchased for distribution to new arrivals 'off-camp';

480 AMG tents to be prepositioned in Tel Afar;

1,500 AMG tents in transit for prepositioning (127 additional in Dohuk);

People in Need

250 AMG tents and Non Food Items for off-camp.

399 UN Tents with BRHA (Kurd Government)

Haiti: Hurricane Matthew Aftermath
Overview: Currently 6 SRT members in country. Tents for home sites are not an option, as the government has asked us not to distribute tents to civilians, because of amount of people still living in tents following 2010 quake.

Distributing aid in partnership with Handicap International and 410 Bridge. Distributing 3000 Shelterkits (and building material if needed) to households in need of shelter.

Syria: Overview: It has been over four years since conflict broke out. More than 10 million people, almost half of Syria's population have been forced to leave their homes. Since 2011, 6.5 million people have been displaced inside Syria, an additional 4.6 million people have been forced to flee Syria.

Prepositioning 500 kits, to be distributed to displaced in far east Syria

Planning winter shelter kits for distribution in northern Syria by end of November

Partner Agency: 2000 shelter kits sent (16k+ winter packs) now in storage in Syria.

Distributions to collective centres, camps for tent replacements etc.

Ecuador: Overview: On 16 Apr 2016 23:58 UTC, an Earthquake Magnitude 7.8M, Depth:19.16km struck in the province of Esmeraldas, in the coast of Ecuador, 173 km from the capital, Quito.

Distributed (received by beneficiaries):

2588 Shelterkits

1,696 Water filters

288 NFI boxes

2,880 households served

Cameroon and Niger: Nigerian Refugee Crisis

Overview: ShelterBox is continuing to respond to the protracted crisis in Niger & Cameroon.

Niger:

Final total 2000 boxes have now been distributed in Niger completing the initial MoU.

Further 344 boxes cleared customs in Dosso Niger for staging to Diffa. Awaiting security situation.

202 boxes from Sri Lanka have arrived in UNHRD Accra.

Cameroon:

People displaced by the Boko Haram conflict are arriving daily in Minawao camp. In order to meet the growing need for Shelter, we will have provided 1,044 tents to Minawao camp by the end of November. Additionally 223 tents are being provided to internally displaced people in Tourou.

A ShelterBox team is due to arrive in Cameroon on the 27th November to meet with our affiliates.