

In the Shelter

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Post Deployment Assessments Improve Disaster Responses

The monitor and evaluation assessment provides a path to more effective help.

It is critical to ensure that a disaster response is carried out as effectively and efficiently as possible. In the weeks following a deployment, ShelterBox returns to disaster areas to perform evaluations and assessments. These ensure the needs of vulnerable families were met and help determine how ShelterBox disaster relief can be improved.

Recently, Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) teams have revisited areas where ShelterBox responded in the Caribbean and in Bangladesh.

“It’s about being accountable for our supporters, making sure their monies are used correctly. It’s about being accountable to the people we serve to make sure we are doing things right and its also about getting information and data to help us grow and develop effectively” states Malcolm, a member of the M&E team at ShelterBox.

There are essentially three things that are looked at, materials, process, and impact.

Interviews with beneficiaries and partner groups determine how well the gear worked and whether there are any unmet needs, whether the response was timely and the overall treatment of beneficiaries. The evaluation also looks at cost-effectiveness and how well response team volunteers were trained and prepared, and any

lasting impact or gaps from the response. This data helps determine product selection and process improvements. Items like ShelterKits and solar lights are a direct result of past evaluations.

By utilizing this assessment process, ShelterBox continues to improve the quality of aid provided and the number of people who can be helped.

Bill Tobin



“The LuminAID is bright and lovely. I charge it in the sunshine during the day, and it makes a huge difference at night time. It allows me to cook, safely collect water, and stay up after dark to get my life back to normal.”

*Catherine, Dominica
ShelterBox Recipient*



ShelterBox is Making a Difference in...

BOLIVIA: Trying to get aid into the country after flooding affects thousands of families. There are difficulties in working through customs.

PHILIPPINES: Recently helped nearly 1000 families after 2 major storms.

BANGLADESH: Over 2000 households given aid after floods. Monitoring and evaluation process underway. Have been told from beneficiaries that ShelterBox has saved lives.

Over 8000 families helped in Rohingya refugee crises, prepping to help up to 6000 more families.

CARIBBEAN: Tents still being distributed in Barbuda, Monitor & Evaluations underway in other areas.

SYRIA: Ongoing support. Trying to establish humanitarian corridors for safer deployments. Recently able help to 570 households.

IRAQ: Preparing for possible assistance for people returning from displacement camps to damaged or destroyed homes



Tent deployed in Barbuda

SOMALILAND: Ongoing distribution to 1000 households affected by drought. 1441 total to date.

CAMEROON: Nearly 1000 tents and kits distributed recently to refugees fleeing Boko Haram violence.

CHAD: 553 households given shelter support to refugees fleeing Boko Haram violence

NIGER: Gear being deployed, nearly 200 households helped as refugees flee Boko Haram violence. A shipment for 800 households now arriving.

Become a ShelterBox Liaison

Sign up to become a ShelterBox Rotary Club liaison and receive deployment updates and access to pertinent webinar trainings so you can be “in the know” and share disaster relief information with your club.

It's easy to sign up as a liaison:
www.shelterboxusa.org/volunteer

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