

In the Shelter

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TENTS ARRIVE IN TEXAS

ShelterBox USA provides family privacy in crowded evacuation centers.

While the rains in Houston have eased, mandatory evacuations are still being ordered, as reservoirs in the area continue to flood.

ShelterBox Response Team members, Ambassadors, Rotarians and friends of ShelterBox from across Texas assembled in a Dallas warehouse Saturday to receive our shipment of tents from the UK. The delivery of 500 tents was received in the US and pre-cleared through customs, then delivered to the warehouse in Dallas where the team got to work.

As soon as their truck was loaded, SRTs Tim Heller and Candy Streff headed to Houston to start delivering tents. Upon arriving in Houston, the team headed to the George R. Brown Convention Center to start setting up tents that are being used as medical areas and lactation stations.

Discussions continue with various officials in Houston, Austin and Dallas regarding

the larger evacuation shelters, but the team is also assessing the needs of smaller communities along the coast.

ShelterBox Operations Coordinator Andrew Clark arrived from the UK and will be assisting Team Leader Bruce Heller and board member Louis Turpin in distributions to smaller communities east of Houston.

While the effects of Harvey's devastation are continuing to mount, floods are wreaking havoc in other countries across the globe. In countries like Sierra Leone and Nepal, seasonal rains have transformed into torrents of floodwater – deluging the most vulnerable communities. ShelterBox is continuing to monitor, assess, and respond to disasters throughout the world.



Above: A ShelterBox tent in the crowded George R. Brown Center provides a private area for family needs, medical evaluations, nursing mothers and more.

SHELTERBOX EXPANDS RESPONSE BEYOND HOUSTON.

Response team deploys northeast. 'Shelter in a Shelter' provides "new house".

Fifteen miles N.E. of Houston, just downstream from Lake Houston is the community of Clark, pop. 2,300.



ShelterBox set up privacy tents in the American Legion Post 658 as they respond to the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey. Tamara Richards, 32 weeks pregnant, talks with ShelterBox Operations Team Lead Andrew Clark after moving into her "new house." Tamara and her family escaped the flood that destroyed their trailer, RV, car and swept away their cattle.



Cindy and Godon Crow move into their "new house" after their mobile home was flooded by Harvey.



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