

DAA QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER Summer 2024

Our mission is to provide and assist in delivering sustainable humanitarian aid, relevant to people affected by natural and other disasters, including safe water and shelter with:

- **SmartAid:** To help communities in developing countries rebuild their lives after a major disaster.
- **Safe Water for Every Child:** To reduce the ongoing disaster of disease and death from unsafe water.

Bhutan Rotary Conference

Would you like to visit scenic Bhutan and find out what Disaster Aid Australia and other rotary Clubs have been doing?

Our friends of the Rotary Club of Thimphu are running an International ‘**The Spirit Of Rotary in Bhutan** Conference ’ in Thimphu on the 1-3 June.





Thailand Floods

Disasters don't stop for the Holiday period with major flooding in Southern Thailand. A new partner, Disaster Aid Thailand, sent out a request on the 3rd of January for help providing safe water for those affected. Two of our volunteers were soon on their way with four SkyHydrant Rapid Response Packs. These were installed in a four day period with two being close to Narathiwat and the other two in the region around Yala.

[See the Full Story](#)



SkyHydrant GEM Rapid Response Pack in Zambia

One of our Rapid Response packs was recently installed in Zambia thanks to our partner Disaster Aid Europe.

This was a trial installation in response to a major cholera outbreak in that country.

The unit was installed in the Kenneth Kaunda School in Lusaka protecting 1,200 pupils.

Bhutan Review

Disaster Aid CEO Brian Ashworth has recently returned from Bhutan where he carried out a review of a sample of the 130 SkyHydrants installed since 2017.

All SkyHydrants visited were still working well.

At many of the schools Brian was told that water tests had revealed that the water from the SkyHydrants was of better quality than the bottled water sold locally.

An important part of the visit was making sure the operators were reminded how important they were in ensuring the long term sustainability of the SkyHydrants.

During the visit a further 2 SkyHydrants were installed.

Morocco Earthquake

Our partner Disaster Aid UK and Ireland have been active in helping those affected by the Morocco Earthquake that occurred in 2023.

This photograph shows a family that have been assisted with the timber home they are standing in front of. An important part of the Disaster Aid philosophy is about providing what people want not what we think they need. In this disaster long term shelter met those needs.



Volunteers Wanted

Disaster Aid Australia relies on volunteers to continue to deliver aid effectively and raise funds.

As well as DARTs who travel to deliver aid we need help in promoting Disaster Aid Australia to potential donors.

Help in all aspects of running a charitable organisation is also greatly appreciated.

It is possible to help either from our office or from home. If you can help, or know someone who would like to volunteer contact us at admin@disasteraidaustralia.org.au



SkyHydrant Sponsorship

Safe Water for Every Child We are always looking for help with our " Projects.

It currently costs \$6,000 to sponsor an installation protecting a village or school.

This still is amazing value as the cost of safe water is still less than \$1 per person a year for 15 litres of clean bacteria free water daily.

Projects are currently running in Timor Leste, Bhutan and the Philippines.



DAA Conference 2024 - Save the date!

Since the last newsletter we held the 2023 DAA conference on Sunday 19th November.

If you would like to find out more about DAA and what we are doing make a note in your diary for the 2024 Conference which is planned for 19th October this year.

Further details will be on our website and facebook page in the coming months.



Visit Disaster Aid Australia



Why not plan a Vocational Visit to Disaster Aid Australia's office and training facility, near Dandenong?

You will find out much more about how DAA continues to deliver aid to tens of thousands of people in developing countries.

We can also provide guest speakers at your meeting, either face to face,

Will you help support the work of Disaster Aid Australia?

It is a Rotary Club project that really is changing lives.

[Support our work](#)

Or donate by direct deposit to:
Disaster Aid Australia
BSB: 633 000

Account: 1400 38993



To donation to Safe Water for Every Child and Smart Aid
see www.disasteraidaustralia.org.au



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