

Dear Pamela,

I'm sure you've seen the news — now that Hurricane Matthew has moved past Haiti, and information about its damage is spreading, it's clear that this storm was a catastrophic disaster. The number of people killed by the storm in Haiti alone has climbed to more than 800 and counting, and according to the U.N. as many as 750,000 people are in need of assistance.

Please give now to help survivors and other families in crisis around the world.

Some of the hardest-hit villages were almost completely destroyed by the hurricane, and it may take even more time to assess the full damage. In the wake of this disaster, Haiti is suffering. Our team is on the ground and will begin delivering emergency supplies like clean water and hygiene kits this weekend to approximately 10,000 families affected by the storm.

Make a gift today to our Humanitarian Response Fund — you'll help us respond to emergencies when the world needs us most, and stay long after to help people get back on their feet.

Sincerely,

Dan O'Neill
Mercy Corps Founder

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From: **Dan O'Neill, Mercy Corps** <newsletter@mercycorps.org>

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Subject: UPDATE: Our response to Hurricane Matthew

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Dear Pamela,

Mercy Corps is on the ground in Haiti, assessing Hurricane Matthew's damage and preparing to respond to the needs of the country's most vulnerable people, who will need our help to rebuild their lives in the months ahead.

Hurricane Matthew has passed over the island, and only now is the damage of the storm starting to become clear. The powerful Category 4 hurricane caused widespread destruction — it destroyed homes, flooded streets and decimated crops. **According to the U.N., as many as 350,000 people are now in need of assistance.**

The southern part of the island was hit especially hard, and the bridge that connects it to the rest of the country was completely washed out by the storm, making access and delivery of supplies even more complicated.

"The people here have just been pushed down by one thing after another," Jessica Pearl, Mercy Corps' Country Director in Haiti, told The New York Times this week. This hurricane has the potential to be a major setback for a country that is still recovering from the massive earthquake in 2010, but Pearl and the Mercy Corps team are working hard to prevent that.

Thanks to the support of the Mercy Corps community, our team in Haiti will provide financial assistance to families with destroyed or damaged homes, and help farmers recover from lost crops and livestock. When we are able to access the southern peninsula, we expect to also provide emergency supplies like clean water, and help repair damaged shelters.

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This is only the beginning. **"We still don't know how many people have lost their homes; the hardest-hit areas are still tough to access,"** said Pearl. "And we are very concerned that many families do not have access to clean drinking water, which greatly increases the risk of cholera."

The people of Haiti will need our help for the long term to get back on their feet. Most people rely on subsistence farming to earn a living, and the storm has taken a severe toll on farmers. In one region, approximately 80 percent of the banana crops were destroyed by winds and flooding — these crops supported some 20,000 families.

Please consider making a gift today to our Humanitarian Response Fund — your gift will help us respond to emergencies like this one and stay to help families recover.

As the hurricane approaches the southeastern coast of the U.S., our thoughts are with all of those who have already been affected, and those who are now bracing for the storm. Thank you for all that you do for families in need around the world — your compassion during their darkest hours gives all of us hope that a better world is possible.

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Photo: Sean Sheridan for Mercy Corps

When natural disasters strike, or when conflict rips communities apart, we are there to help families survive, recover and rebuild. Your gift strengthens our teams' ability to respond around the world and provide a critical lifeline to many people during their most desperate time of need.

Right now, our teams responding to Hurricane Matthew after it battered Haiti with wind and rain — they are delivering emergency water and supplies to families affected by the powerful storm. We are currently responding to urgent humanitarian need in over forty countries around the globe, including Syria, Iraq, Nigeria, South Sudan, Ukraine, and Nepal.

Our ability to respond to crises around the world with the speed and effectiveness you expect from Mercy Corps depends on your support. **Please make a gift to our Humanitarian Response Fund today.**

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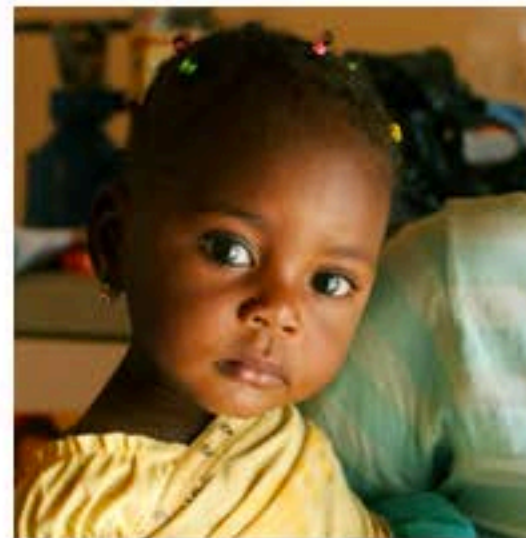
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Hurricane Matthew reminds us that disaster can strike at any moment. **Please support our humanitarian efforts year-round by becoming a Partner In Mercy.** Your monthly support will help provide emergency aid to survivors of natural disasters and others in need around the world.

Instead of charging your one-time gift, your first monthly gift will be processed on October 15th and the 15th day of each subsequent month.



Monthly amount: \$

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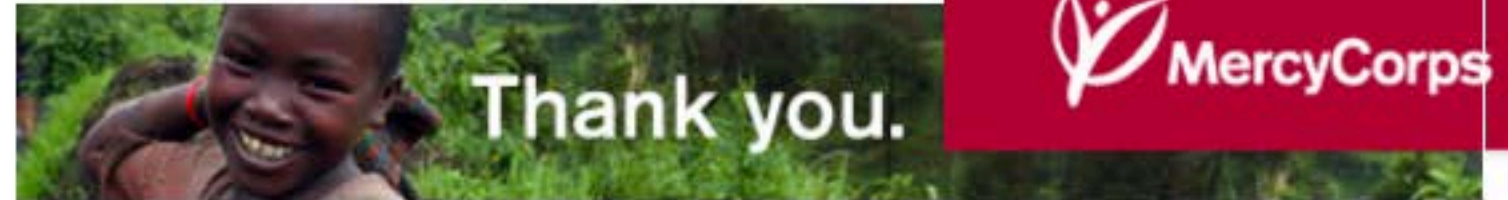


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Dear Pamela,

Thank you for your gift of **\$50.00** to Mercy Corps.

I truly appreciate your generosity. Your contribution is already at work helping people in the world's toughest places recover from disasters, rebuild their communities and improve their futures. I hope you feel proud, because you have made a real difference.

I'd like to personally tell you what your support means to us.



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Thanks to you, Mercy Corps teams are in the field:

- Rushing food, water, shelter and supplies to families stricken by disaster
- Caring for children who are malnourished and traumatized by violence
- Helping farmers grow more food to feed their families and earn income

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