



Our Work

We Lead the Jewish Response to Global Crises

... because emergencies can happen anywhere, at any time.

We are always ready to mobilize. And we're motivated by the Jewish value of tikkun olam to leave the world better than we found it.

We are the Jewish hands who help communities of all backgrounds and faiths rebuild. When a typhoon, earthquake, or man-made disaster strikes, we leverage a century of experience and join arms with other rescue and relief organizations to bring immediate humanitarian relief for Jews and non-Jews alike in their toughest moments.

And we know the importance of promoting resilience and rebuilding the community — not just the roads. That's why we stay in communities to help people chart a new future, rebuild a sustainable local economy, and prepare to weather the next storm or crisis.

For JDC, crisis response goes beyond emergencies. It's slow-moving crises like endemic poverty, food insecurity, and the plight of refugees that bring out our best. We deploy the best of Israeli innovation and expertise in support of the UN Sustainable Development Goals and support Jewish communities from Greece to the Philippines on social action initiatives that are lifting lives every day.

Responding to crisis calls for compassionate action. That's what we do best.

It's why the future needs us now.

Our Impact

All proof points are illustrative and do not represent all of JDC's programs

69 COUNTRIES WHERE JDC HAS RESPONDED to a disaster or other crisis.

The December 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami was one of the world's deadliest natural disasters, affecting 11 countries, killing over 227,000 people, and displacing as many as five million. World Jewry rallied in response, enabling JDC to raise over \$19 million for its aid program.



Both immediate relief and longer-term recovery projects were implemented in cooperation with local and international partners in four of the hardest-hit countries—**India**, **Indonesia**, **Sri Lanka**, and **Thailand**—and are estimated to have reached half a million people. We also trained a network of disaster-relief and risk-mitigation professionals.

1.2 MILLION PEOPLE in **Ethiopia** and **Indonesia** were reached by a JDC-supported social media campaign focused on hand washing.

Our work distributing **food** and **medical supplies** in places like **India** and **Indonesia**, didn't skip a beat during the **COVID-19 pandemic**, and we're continuing to work with local partners to ensure that the hardest-hit populations have the resources they need to sustainably rebuild and recover.



JDC responded quickly to the January 2010 **Earthquake in Haiti**, raising some **\$8.7 million** for programs that impacted the lives of **over 300,000 Haitians**.

We partnered with NGOs based in Haiti, Israel, and North America to address medical needs and **provide clean water, food, shelter kits, physical and psychological rehabilitation services, vocational training, leadership development, and quality educational opportunities through new model schools**.



Since 2019, JDC has been working in the Bahamas to help communities there recover from the devastating Hurricane Dorian.

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