



Hurricane Sandy Hits Southern Haiti Hard

Over the last two days, southern Haiti has been bearing the brunt of Hurricane Sandy, as it moves north into the Atlantic. The storm came as a total surprise with heavy rains and devastating winds. No one expected it to hit Haiti, as much as it has, with a particular vengeance on the South, Hope for Haiti's home base of Les Cayes. Our team is currently unable to travel outside of the city center due to high levels of flooding.



Flooded streets in downtown Les Cayes, Haiti

Just today, we have had 30 new cases of cholera in one of our partner communities due to the flooding overnight. We are grateful to AmeriCares for their quick response in confirming a distribution of cholera medications and supplies to Hope for Haiti in the wake of this storm. We continue to check in with all of our partners and are evaluating their needs and the extent of damage in each community. Once the storm dies down we can begin a safe distribution of survival buckets.

WAYS YOU CAN HELP NOW:

- 1) Follow us on Twitter, as our staff keeps us updated on what is happening on the ground.
- 2) Help spread the word far and wide to bring more attention and support to the South!
- 3) Purchase a Survival
 Bucket for a family in need.
 If you would like to help with
 our response, we are
 accepting donations for our
 Emergency Survival Buckets.
 With a <u>aift</u> of \$100, you can
 equip a family with the
 essential supplies needed in
 the wake of this
 emergency.

A 5-gallon bucket provides a family with an important tool to purify water, wash clothes, store and protect food, remove excess water, etc... Each of these supplies can make all the difference to a family who has lost everything in the wake of a disaster. **Donate Today!**



Hope for Haiti Program Manager, Jennifer Lang, distributes Survival Buckets to our flooded partners this afternoon



Thank you for acting now to help our partners so they are not forgotten in this disaster.

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Hope for Haiti's mission is to improve the quality of life for the Haitian people, particularly children, through education, nutrition, and healthcare. The organization's programs reach over 500,000 of Haiti's most vulnerable men, women, children and families annually.



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