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Red Cross Committed to Long Term Recovery Efforts in Haiti

Signs of aid can be seen throughout Haiti, four months after a devastating, magnitude 7 earthquake, but there is no question needs remain great. Survivors will face additional threats with the arrival of the rainy season this month and, later this summer, hurricane season.

Generous donations from around the world, including about two million dollars from Central Ohio citizens and businesses, have enabled the Red Cross, working collaboratively with Habitat for Humanity, the UN World Food Programme and others to meet most emergency need during the first three months following the disaster. We've distributed 111 million liters of clean drinking water, treated 100,000 at Red Cross hospitals and clinics, helped vaccinate 152,000 against deadly diseases, and are working to make 87 emergency settlements as safe and comfortable as possible.

Ideally, Red Cross would now be focused entirely on long-term recovery, but not only does Haiti face a rainy season with over a million people under makeshift shelters, it's a bulls-eye for Caribbean hurricanes. To avoid a second humanitarian disaster, Red Cross teams are working to construct transitional shelters for people in the settlements most at risk for flooding and mudslides.

Haitians face a long road ahead ... one that will include frustrations and setbacks. They will not, however, walk this road alone. The Haitian Red Cross now fields 10,000 relief workers every day and Americans have given over \$400M. The American Red Cross will spend every penny on efforts to help Haitian families get back on their feet. The American Red Cross has a long-term plan for building shelter, water and sanitation projects and for programs that would put funds directly into the hands of the Haitian citizens so they can purchase goods and services from local vendors, stimulating the economy. Visit www.redcross.org to learn more about the relief operation.



Red Cross volunteers share health and hygiene messages with young earthquake survivors in Carrefour.



Injury protection for seniors offers added peace of mind

ARC of Greater Columbus has joined with Philips Home Healthcare Solutions to bring Lifeline with AutoAlert, an enhanced medical alert service, to Central Ohio. This fee based service provides seniors with injury protection by combining the Lifeline medical alert service with automatic fall detection

capabilities. Lifeline with AutoAlert features a pendant-style help button that can automatically call for help if a fall is detected and a senior is unable to push his or her help button.

For more information about Lifeline with AutoAlert, please call 1-800-959-6989.

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The American Red Cross, a humanitarian organization led by volunteers and guided by its Congressional Charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement, will provide relief to victims of disasters and help people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

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Your Red Cross IMPACT

07/01/09-05/31/10

-  Medical trips for seniors..... **13,345**
-  Families assisted after fires..... **424**
-  Financial assistance provided to disaster victims..... **\$167,994**
-  Individuals trained in CPR/First Aid **19,123**
-  Emergency messages conveyed on behalf of military families..... **458**

Disaster Relief & Preparedness
Service to Military Families
International Tracing Services
CPR & First Aid Training • First Aid Services Team
Water Safety Instruction • Blood Services
Community Transportation

Impossible - Not In This Volunteer's Vocabulary

Gene List, a volunteer with the American Red Cross in Pickaway County, was recently presented the 2010 Exceptional Volunteer Service Award, the highest honor given to volunteers serving in Franklin, Madison, Fayette and Pickaway counties. A Red Cross volunteer since 2005, Gene has been instrumental in the growth of the Pickaway County branch. His leadership with fundraising events has not only garnered much needed funding, but has increased visibility and brought in a host of new volunteers. Gene also responds to fires, goes door-to-door for fire canvassing drives and renovatd the county's response vehicles for use during disasters. He is truly an exceptional volunteer. Congratulations Gene!



Gene List (Left) and Bea Dorman, Executive Director of the American Red Cross in Pickaway County, pose in front of the Emergency Response Vehicle.

Volunteers are the heart of the Red Cross. Visit columbus.redcross.org or call us to learn how you can join a truly amazing cadre of volunteers hard at work bringing hope to people in our community.

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