

## **Fundraising appeals and goods collections for Türkiye and Syria by Stephen Hoffman**

A list of organisations and individuals people can donate to raising funds or collecting goods, to help people meaningfully and practically respond to the humanitarian crisis in Türkiye and Syria, caused by large earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria early on the morning of 6 February 2023.

Earthquakes of up to 7.8 on the richter scale have devastated southern Turkey and northern Syria, claiming the lives of over 20,000 people so far, as well as wounding thousands more and many more displaced. The numbers of dead and wounded sadly continue to rise.

This list of fundraising appeals people can donate to, to practically and meaningfully help would not have been possible without the help and signposting of reputable fundraisers provided by a host of people including Nadeem Afzaal, Rashad Ali, Suhail Al Ghazi, Geraldine Patrick, @margueriteOO, Ebru Erdem, Noor Ghazal Aswad, Howard Eissenstat, @fatimazsaid, Boğaziçi Üniversitesi, Mohamad Katoub, Agneta Kallstrom, Doreen Samuels, Andrew Apostolou, Stephen Greek, @allthingstharwa, Tell Mama, Salma Almidanu, Nicole Mia, Oto Wenige, Selma Acar, Bob Grinsell, Salih Gaygusuz, Armagh Humanitarian Aid for Syria and Turkey and Olam Together.

Please feel free to share this document as widely as possible, so that as many people as possible can practically and meaningfully help people in Türkiye and Syria, in their time of need.

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## **Fundraising Appeals and Goods Collections**

### **1. AKUT Research and Rescue Association**

AKUT is a voluntary NGO involved in searching, assisting and rescuing all who require aid within its authority and means, in mountain or other nature-related accidents, natural disasters like earthquakes and all other emergency conditions by means of trained, disciplined, high-standard personnel and equipment, passing on knowledge to society with no political affiliation.

With an organisational structure that allows it to react rapidly to a wide variety of emergency situations, AKUT has the ability to make quick decisions in the face of crisis.

AKUT is the premier search and rescue organisation in Türkiye, with the largest number of members and the broadest variety of specialised skills.

You can donate to their work responding to the earthquake in Türkiye via the link below.

<https://www.akut.org.tr/en/donation>

### **2. AHBAP Association**

AHBAP s a Turkish based humanitarian organisation responding to the humanitarian disaster caused by the earthquakes in Türkiye. They are a well-known, well-run, reputable, and trusted grassroots organisation in Türkiye.

AHBAP are reaching out to ask for financial support. Any donation, no matter how small, will help them provide much needed aid to those affected by the earthquake. Donations will help provide shelter, food, and medical supplies to those in need. Contributions will make a real difference in the lives of those affected by this disaster.

If you would like to make a donation, they have shared via the link below IBAN information for how you can donate.

<https://ahbap.org/disasters-turkey>

### **3. AFAD Disaster and Emergency Management Authority**

You can donate to their work via the link below.

<https://www.afad.gov.tr/depremkampanyasi2>

They have also opened accounts for earthquake donations for taking British Pounds Sterling, with details below.

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. İŞBANK INC-BAŞKENT BRANCH  
GBP: TR12 0006 4000 0024 2992 6599 37  
Swift No: ISBKTRIS

<https://twitter.com/TurkEmbLondon/status/1623366940436701191>

### **4. Turkish Red Crescent**

Their mission is providing aid for needy and defenceless people in disasters, so will be playing a leading humanitarian in response to the earthquake in Türkiye.

Turkish Red Crescent aims to meet the temporary shelter needs of internally displaced people (IDPs) from natural disasters, with the high-quality post-disaster emergency tents it manufactures.

Besides the disaster tents which can be used for a long term for both domestic and international humanitarian aid works, it also manufactures custom-made tents.

You can donate to these disaster tents via the link below.

<https://www.kizilay.org.tr/Bagis/BagisYap/59/disaster-tents-donations>

Turkish Red Crescent also provides services through the Mobile Kitchen Project, which aims to meet the nutritional requirements of those in need more quickly in ordinary and unpredictable extraordinary situations (natural and man-made disasters).

Soup, hot food, snack food and tea are distributed within the Mobile Kitchen. Mobile Kitchens contain food preparation and cooking units, as well as cooling and service section and the kitchens contain all the equipment of a modern kitchen.

You can donate to the Mobile Kitchen Project via the link below.

<https://www.kizilay.org.tr/Bagis/BagisYap/58/mobile-kitchen-donation>

You can make a general donation to Turkish Red Crescent's work via the link below.

<https://www.kizilay.org.tr/Bagis/BagisYap/43/general-donation>

## 5. **The White Helmets (Syria Civil Defence)**

The White Helmets are an internationally respected humanitarian organisation helping communities recover from war, military attacks and natural disasters. According to them, so far in their work they have saved over 120,000 lives.

The White Helmets are currently on the ground responding to the humanitarian crisis caused by the earthquake in North West Syria.

If you would like to support their lifesaving work, you can donate to their work via either of the links below.

<https://www.whitehelmets.org/en/>

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/white-helmets-earthquake-response>

## 6. **Molham Volunteering Team**

The Molham Volunteering team help Syrians in need and refugees in Jordan, Türkiye and Lebanon.

They have launched the Emergency Earthquake Response fundraising campaign to support displaced people in Syria and Türkiye, who desperately need their help in securing alternative housing for them, urgent needs and financial compensation. Donations to their fundraiser will go towards their efforts to alleviate suffering and ensuring the most critical needs of as many people as possible affected by the earthquake are looked after and provided necessities they currently lack. They are one of the premier organisations on the ground in Northern Syria.

You can donate to the fundraiser via any of the links below.

<https://molhamteam.com/en/campaigns/439>

[https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story\\_fbid=pfbid0WcRf449QXBRPHKLKRX77hdi2Tfr1k5FxDPfBeiyW8Ak9HnDMeMbW2HBFKkDCTSW6l&id=533105284](https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=pfbid0WcRf449QXBRPHKLKRX77hdi2Tfr1k5FxDPfBeiyW8Ak9HnDMeMbW2HBFKkDCTSW6l&id=533105284)

[https://twitter.com/Salma\\_Almidani/status/1623328424667275264?t=ITGFtshpywH8qI1eXKzNoQ&s=19](https://twitter.com/Salma_Almidani/status/1623328424667275264?t=ITGFtshpywH8qI1eXKzNoQ&s=19)

## 7. **NuDay Syria**

NuDay is a non-profit organisation that provides humanitarian relief to people affected by the crisis in Syria. Founded in 2013, NuDay is headquartered in New Hampshire. Since the start of the Syrian Revolution, NuDay has shipped millions of dollars worth of clothes, medicine, and food to displaced families in Syria.

It working to secure dignified & empowered aid for women and children affected by humanitarian crises.

NuDay's team is on the ground, responding with emergency aid in the aftermath of the earthquakes in Türkiye and Northern Syria. One of their partners is US AID. They are working on the ground with their partners, the White Helmets to rescue families and and gearing up to distribute needed aid: food baskets, winter equipment, emergency shelter and water. They are trying to reach as many vulnerable women and children as possible.

They are asking for financial support. If you would like to support their lifesaving support reaching vulnerable women and children you can donate via the link below.

<https://donate.nudaysyria.org/give/465123/>

## 8. **Bridge to Türkiye Earthquake Relief Fund (BTF)**

On 6 February 2023 A massive 7.5 earthquake struck the southeastern part of Türkiye and was felt in multiple countries and also had a devastating impact on North Western Syria. Severe damage and many casualties have reported. Türkiye has requested immediate international assistance.

BTF's approach to alleviating the pain and suffering that we are al witnessing in Turkey is in three phases:

Phase 1: Provide immediate assistance with Food, Water, and Warmth;

Phase 2: Provide immediate assistance for Sheltering;

Phase 3 and 4: Provide well-being for Children's Health and Education.

BTF's current Local Partner for Phases 1 and 2 is AHBAP Association, a well-known, well-run, reputable, and trusted grassroots organisation in Türkiye. BTF has already wired \$50,000 to AHBAP within the first day of the earthquake, and an additional \$100,000 on the second day.

100% of the funds collected by BTF for earthquake relief will be disbursed to AHBAP and any other local worthy partners in the upcoming days.

You can donate to BTF's relief fund to help those in dire need of support in Türkiye via either of the links below.

[https://www.facebook.com/donate/1425548341519260/?fundraiser\\_source=whatsapp\\_share](https://www.facebook.com/donate/1425548341519260/?fundraiser_source=whatsapp_share)

<https://bridgetoturkiye.org/>

## **9. IsraAid**

IsraAid has launched an emergency response to the earthquake in Türkiye. As they continue to assess the situation, they will distribute urgently needed relief supplies.

If you would like to support their emergency response mission, you can donate via the link below to IsraAid's Emergency Fund.

<https://secure.givelively.org/donate/israaid-us-global-humanitarian-assistance-inc/israaid-emergency-response-fund>

## **10. Turkey Mozaik Foundation**

An organisation made up of those with background in Türkiye, now living in the UK. Its mission is to promote and support civil society organisations in Türkiye. They are politically non-affiliated and are an NGO.

Their main role is to provide funding for our partner charities and projects through donations and fundraising events in the UK.

In response to the earthquake in Türkiye, they have set up an earthquake emergency relief fund. You can donate to this fund via the link below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/kahramanmarasearthquake>

## **11. Syria Relief (Syrian branch of Action for Humanity)**

Their teams are mobilizing on the ground in response to this disaster. With support, they can ensure that life-saving aid reaches those in need.

They are asking people to Support their Earthquake Emergency Response fund today. Your donations could make the following differences;

Ready to Eat Meals - emergency meals for one week for 1 family - £40;

Emergency Kit - blankets, mattresses, plastic sheets, hygiene kit - £80;

Cooked Meal - one meal for 10 families - £30;

Health Emergency Kit - drugs, consumables and fuel for health facilities - £100;

Mobile Health Clinic - life-saving operations for one month - £10,000.

You can donate to their fundraising appeal via the link below.

<https://syriarelieff.org.uk/appeals/emergency-syria-earthquake-appeal/>

## **12. Karam Foundation**

Karam help invest in young Syrian refugees to help shape a new generation of kind, courageous future leaders.

They are responding to the humanitarian crisis in Türkiye and Syria caused by the earthquakes there. Their team, Karam Houses, and their host communities have been greatly impacted by the catastrophe.

Since 2013, they have centered their work in Hatay. Karam House Reyhanli has suffered minor damages but it is being used as a shelter for anyone in need.

Despite limited internet access within the affected areas, they have mobilized on the ground to determine the immediate needs of the Syrian and Turkish community at large.

They need support in the coming days to deliver shelter, basic needs, and disaster relief to their team, families, students, and greater community. If you would like to support their vital humanitarian work, you can donate to their Earthquake Emergency Fund via the link below.

<https://give.karamfoundation.org/campaign/emergency-earthquake-support/c465190>

## **13. Syrian American Medical Society (SAMS)**

The Syrian American Medical Society (SAMS) Foundation is a global medical relief organisation that is working on the front lines of crisis relief in Syria, in neighbouring countries, and beyond to save lives and alleviate suffering. SAMS proudly provides medical care and treatment to every patient in need.

They are currently focusing their efforts on responding to the 7.8 richter scale magnitude earthquake on 6 February 2023 that struck southern Türkiye near the Syrian border at

around 04:17 am local time. A second 7.5-magnitude earthquake hit at around 13:30 local time (10:30am). It was described as a “once in a hundred years” event.

In northwest Syria, which was heavily impacted, SAMS medical teams are reported that at least 197 people have been killed and 659 people have been injured at SAMS facilities alone. In the aftermath of the catastrophic earthquake, SAMS medical teams in northwest Syria are working around the clock and have treated at least 600 victims so far. They are working to treat many others injured and save as many lives as possible.

SAMS-supported hospitals and medical facilities are overwhelmed with patients filling the hallways, creating an immediate need for trauma supplies. They need our support to treat the injured and save as many lives as possible. SAMS supports at least 36 medical facilities in the affected region of northwest Syria as well as a regional office in Gaziantep, Türkiye, near the epicentre of the first quake.

SAMS is evacuating patients from hospitals and facilities, which have sustained severe damage to safer facilities, while also working closely with local partners in a coordinated emergency response.

As SAMS responds to this catastrophic earthquake, they are asking for support. Public donations will help them speedily get emergency aid to earthquake victims and save as many lives as possible. It will help them deliver life-saving medical care to those affected by this disaster.

You can donate to SAMs humanitarian response via the link below.

<https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/EarthquakeSyria>

#### **14. World Jewish Relief (WJR)**

They are the British Jewish community’s leading international humanitarian charity.

They have launched a Turkey Earthquake Appeal, to help their humanitarian effort responding with their partner on the ground in Türkiye, helping to provide emergency shelter, blankets, heaters, clothes, food packages and first aid kits to the worst affected areas in Türkiye and the surrounding areas.

If you would like to support them financially, you can donate via the link below.

<https://www.worldjewishrelief.org/ways-to-donate/appeals/1443-turkey-earthquake-appeal>

#### **15. Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF UK) - Doctors Without Borders**

Following the powerful earthquakes that hit the south of Türkiye and northwest Syria on 6 February 2023, Médecins Sans Frontières / Doctors Without Borders (MSF), already supporting the population of northwest Syria, has mobilized its team along with local partners to respond to the increasing needs in the area.

In Idlib, in northern Syria, they are treating hundreds of injured patients at MSF supported hospitals.

They have deployed ambulances and dispatched extra staff to hard-hit healthcare facilities. MSF provided immediate support to 23 healthcare facilities across Idlib and Aleppo governorates by donating emergency medical kits and providing medical staff to reinforce their teams.

They remain in close contact with authorities in northwest Syria and southern Türkiye, ready to provide further support to people affected by the earthquake.

The situation is extremely fast-moving. More information on MSF's response to the earthquake will be shared as it becomes available, via the link below.

<https://msf.org.uk/article/syria-turkey-earthquake-what-msf-doing>

Most of MSF's donations are "unrestricted" and can be used wherever the need is greatest. The actions their teams are taking in Syria and Türkiye are funded by donations however small from the general public.

Thanks to the generosity of people donating to their general funds, they don't always need to launch an appeal when a humanitarian emergency happens and so far they have not launched a separate emergency fund. Unrestricted donations have given them valuable flexibility to respond to the humanitarian crisis in Türkiye and Syria, where especially in North West Syria they have a lot of people on the ground.

If you would like to donate to MSF's lifesaving work, you can via the link below.

<https://msf.org.uk/secure/donate> .

## **16. Syria Relief & Development (SRD)**

They work to provide aid to Syrians affected by violence, poverty, hunger, displacement and now an awful natural disaster. The volatile situation in Syria has created a dire need for healthcare, protection, and shelter, among other basic necessities and this has been worsened by the awful earthquake. SRD works to meet these needs in Syria and neighbouring countries through comprehensive and integrated programs. It is uniquely placed due to this to respond to the humanitarian disaster caused by the earthquake.

The epicentre of the first was in Gaziantep, where SRD's Türkiye country office is based. SRD's first responders are on the ground and their 20 ambulances have been deployed to serve those critically injured. Several hospitals in the region have been impacted by the earthquake, including Jandaris Hospital.

As communities who have been responding to the crisis are now affected, they need financial support to continue delivering their life-saving services. Donations will support medical care, fuel for their ambulances, shelter and food desperately needed in the area.

You can donate to SRD via the link below.

<https://syriareliefinddevelopment.org/donations/turkey-syria-emergency/>

## 17. MedGlobal

MedGlobal was launched in 2017 by a diverse group of doctors, nurses, global health specialists and humanitarians to address the health needs of the world's most vulnerable populations.

MedGlobal is a humanitarian NGO that provides emergency response and health programs to help vulnerable communities around the world and respond to natural and man-made humanitarian disasters. They have people on the ground in Syria and have gained plaudits for their humanitarian work in Syria.

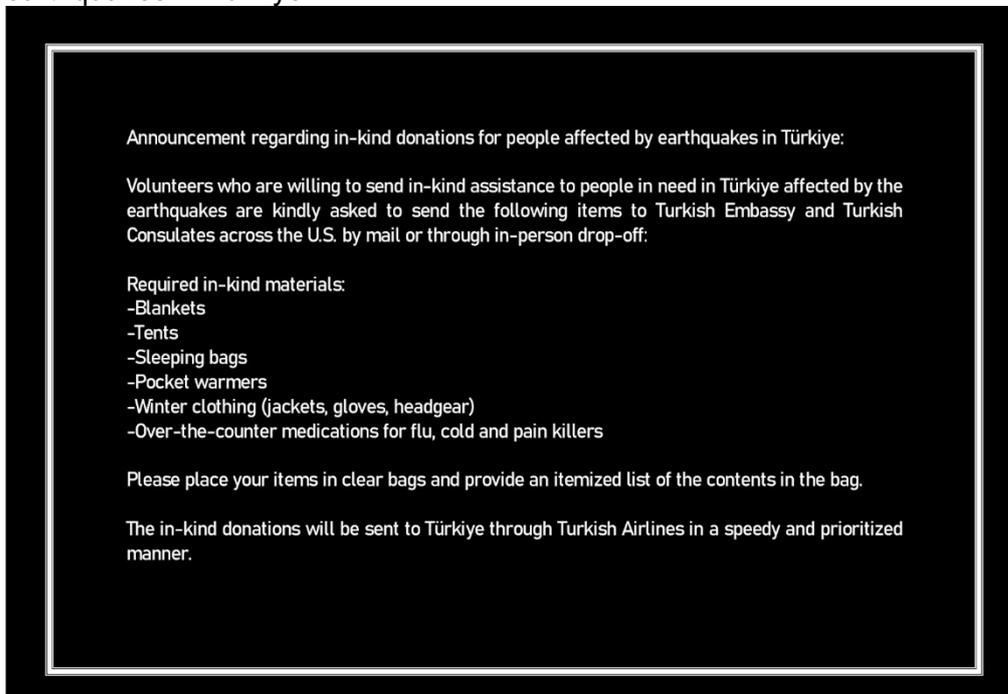
They have a fundraising campaign to raise funds for their humanitarian work responding to the earthquakes devastating impact in Syria.

If you would like to support their disaster emergency response work in Syria, you can do so via the link below.

<https://medglobal.org/donate/>

## 18. Turkish Embassy and Consulates across the U.S.

The following items are currently being requested to be donated to people affected by the earthquakes in Türkiye



[https://twitter.com/isil\\_arican/status/1622699091263369217?t=YUlaLsWKTddIDDNPpWB3w&s=19](https://twitter.com/isil_arican/status/1622699091263369217?t=YUlaLsWKTddIDDNPpWB3w&s=19)

**19. Syrian British Medical Society (SBMS)**

The Syrian British Medical Society (SBMS) was founded on the 7th July 2007 by a group of British medical professionals of Syrian heritage. SBMS is a non-profit, non-political organisation embracing all health care professionals of Syrian heritage, residing in the UK with their training and progression as well as to support Syrian healthcare professions in Syria and in the diaspora.

SBMS is Fundraising for 2 shift/mobile medical units to help people affected by the devastating earthquake in the North Of Syria where there are 4.5 million mostly internally displaced people living, due to the war in Syria.

You can donate to SBMS's fundraiser via the link below.

<https://www.sb-ms.org/urgent-provide-medical-relief-to-families-affected-by-the-massive-earthquake-in-syria/>

**20. Sunrise USA**

Sunrise USA is an U.S. based charity and a leading provider for a number of years of humanitarian aid to Syria.

In response to the impact of the earthquake in Northern Syria, they have launched a Syria Earthquakes Emergency Appeal to raise funds for children and families inside Northern Syria.

Donations will provide food, blankets, temporary housing, emergency medical supplies and other much needed supplies. Even before the earthquake, due to the harsh winter in the northern part of Syria the most basic life necessity supplies were already in short supply.

You can help fund emergency relief to those worst affected by the earthquake in Northern Syria via the link below.

<https://secure.givelively.org/donate/sunrise-usa-inc/syria-earthquakes-emergency-appeal>

**21. Union of Medical Care and Relief Organisations (UOSSM) Canada**

An independent, nonprofit, non-government, medical, humanitarian organisation, founded to support the health related needs and well-being of people and communities affected by crises, regardless of nationality, ethnicity, gender, religion or political affiliation. UOSSM Canada is dedicated to building sustainable health-related services and reducing human suffering. It is non-political and non-sectarian in its mission.

They have set up a fundraiser to help them respond to the humanitarian crisis caused by the earthquake in Türkiye and Syria.

They are asking for donations to their Earthquake Relief Fund to help bring hope to those affected by this disaster. Specifically, donations will help them provide essential medical supplies, equipment and medicines to those in need. It will also support the repair of

damaged medical facilities and provide medical teams with the necessary resources to treat the injured. Donations will provide support to families who have lost everything.

Every donation, no matter the size, makes a difference. If you would like to donate to this fundraiser, you can via the link below.

[https://www.uossm-canada.org/earthquake\\_relief](https://www.uossm-canada.org/earthquake_relief)

## **22. Union of Medical Care and Relief Organisations (UOSSM) USA**

UOSSM's American branch.

Through their General Disaster Relief Campaign Fund they are responding to the humanitarian crisis caused by the earthquake in Türkiye and Syria. Thousands have been killed and wounded after a 7.8 magnitude earthquake caused massive damage in Türkiye and Syria on the morning of 6 February 2023. The number of displaced in Syria and Türkiye are in the tens of thousands. There are many reports of complete families buried under the rubble of those buildings. Hospitals are overwhelmed with the number of crush and trauma injuries. At least one hospital in the area is being evacuated after its structure was compromised.

UOSSM is on the ground as hospitals and medical facilities are providing emergency relief to those wounded with trauma and crush injuries.

They are asking for financial help to save the lives of those injured and provide them with medical aid and humanitarian relief. You can donate via the link below.

<https://uossm.us/earthquake-relief/>

## **23. SOS Children's Villages USA**

SOS Children's Villages is an independent, non-governmental, nonprofit international development organization headquartered in Innsbruck, Austria. The organization provides humanitarian and developmental assistance to children in need and protects their interests and rights around the world. It is active in many countries across the world, including in Türkiye and Syria.

All children and families in SOS Children's Villages care in Türkiye and Syria are safe and their homes and schools are undamaged. However, but the rising death toll means that many children will lose a parent or caregiver from this tragedy, and they may need our urgent support.

They are asking for people to donate to SOS Children's Villages USA, so that they can continue to ensure the safety of vulnerable children and families who they work with in Syria.

You can donate to them via the link below.

<https://www.sos-usa.org/syria/emergencyrelief/form>

**24. Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA)**

JFNA, together with their partners, are ready to assist when disaster strikes, and are already working to assess the needs and offer support in whatever ways we can.

You can help with these efforts by donating via the link below.

<https://www.jotform.com/form/230364099037962>

**25. Global Giving**

Global Giving have launched the Türkiye and Syria Earthquake Relief Fund in response to the two powerful earthquakes struck the two nations on the same day, killing more than 7,000 people and injuring thousands more.

Homes, businesses and critical infrastructure have been destroyed under layers of rubble. Donations to the fundraiser will go towards provide emergency relief and fuel long-term recovery efforts in both nations.

You can donate to the fundraiser via the link below.

<https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/turkey-earthquake-relief-fund/>

**26. International Medical Corps Worldwide**

International Medical Corps relieves the suffering of those affected by conflict, disaster and disease, often in difficult and dangerous environments.

They are responding to the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria. After contacting staff members to confirm that they and their family members were safe, International Medical Corps began coordinating closely with their local teams and partners, assessing the situation across the region and are now mobilizing its response. Their team in Syria has already deployed to communities, bringing medical and mental health services, as well as vital supplies, such as blankets, clean water, hand sanitisers and sanitary pads to women, children and men affected by the earthquakes, while their Emergency Response Team has deployed to Türkiye and is working through partners there.

You can donate to their work saving the lives of women, children and men caught up in this disaster via the link at the end of the article below.

<https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/updates/earthquakes-turkey-syria/>

**27. Medico International**

Medico International point out that help is now needed where people have been living for years under the most unfavourable conditions and where aid organisations are struggling. In the Kurdish areas of Southeastern Türkiye aid which is provided by the Turkish government often does not end up where it is needed. In Syria aid is repeatedly a political tool in the hands of the Assad regime. Therefore, direct support of local aid organisations is now vital for the survival of many people.

Medico International has been supporting organisations in the affected areas for years. Their partners from the Women's Centre in Idlib work in the refugee camps of the province. In Rojava volunteers of the Kurdish Red Crescent have been helping to rescue and care for the injured in Kobane and Aleppo. In Southeastern Türkiye, the politically persecuted Kurdish civil society is organizing aid from below. Their work and the ones of many others matter now. Updates on specific actions will be given by Medico.

You support the emergency relief of local organisations and learn about the work they are doing via the link below.

<https://www.medico.de/en/campaigns/donations-earthquake-emergency-aid>

## **28. CARE International UK**

CARE and their partners respond quickly and at scale, to emergencies and disasters that affect the lives of millions of people around the world. Their emergency response experts provide emergency shelter, water, sanitation, food and reproductive health support to those in need.

Countless families have lost everything and are facing homelessness in the bitter cold right now in Türkiye and Syria. They are asking for donations to help save lives.

Donations to Care International UK will help provide food, water and other life-saving supplies to those affected by the earthquakes.

You can donate to them via the link below.

<https://donate.careinternational.org.uk/page/121768/donate/1?locale=en-GB>

## **29. Violet Organisation**

Violet Organisation has been badly hit by the earthquake and several volunteers are missing or dead, but it provides great food aid and livelihood support for Syrian internally displaced persons. One of their partners is Shelterbox and another is MedGlobal.

You can donate to them via the link below.

<https://violetsyria.org/en/how-to-donate/>

**30. West London Turkish Volunteers**

West London Turkish Volunteers, supporting the local community in West London since 2015, is a UK Charity providing social, cultural and educational activities and services to all members of the public.

You can also make a direct and fast monetary donation for the earthquake victims in Türkiye from the website of the West London Turkish Volunteers UK Charity. They aim to deliver donations of goods and funds ASAP to ensure support reaches earthquake victims ASAP.

You can donate to them via either of the links below.

<https://wltv.org.uk/donate/>

<https://wltv.org.uk/deprem/>

**31. Syrian Emergency Task Force (SETF)**

SETF is working tirelessly to push for aid to be allocated in Northwest Syria for millions of people out of the reach of UN assistance to receive immediate humanitarian support.

SETF recommends supporting the White Helmets and AFAD, who are effective disaster relief organisations, and the first responders on the ground who are aiding in getting thousands of families and victims out from under the rubble. You can give to them here:

<https://www.whitehelmets.org/en/>

<https://en.afad.gov.tr/campaigns>

SETF has humanitarian programs operating in disaster-affected areas in Gaziantep, Idlib, and Aleppo, and the programs are currently operating as emergency assistance in their communities. Every penny of the emergency fundraising campaign SETF have set up will supply essential needs, including water, tents, food, blankets and medicine.

You can donate to their emergency fundraising appeal focused on much needed humanitarian relief for earthquake victims via the link below.

<https://donorbox.org/emergency-humanitarian-relief-for-earthquake-victims>

**32. Ernesto's Sanctuary for Cats in Syria**

Ernesto's Sanctuary for Cats is an animal sanctuary currently based in Idlib, Syria. It was founded by Mohammad Aljaleel, who was dubbed the "cat man of Aleppo." Previously, Aljaleel had run a sanctuary in Aleppo where he cared for over a thousand cats. When the city fell to Syrian government forces though, he was forced to move on.

According to the BBC, the team ran animal welfare courses to develop empathy in local children and set up a playground next to the sanctuary to escape the ongoing civil war, even at its most extreme.

In 2016, the original sanctuary was reportedly bombed and chlorine-gassed during the siege of Aleppo. Aljaleel managed to make it back to Syria after escaping to Türkiye and set up a whole new cat sanctuary. Established in Kafr Naha, it now includes an orphanage, a kindergarten and a free veterinary clinic.

In response to the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria looking for animals injured by the earthquake. Many are injured, mostly in shock, they don't even eat. They are asking for donations to the sanctuary, to help them save as many animals as they can.

If you would like to donate to their efforts, you can via the link below.

<https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/ErnestoSanctuary>

### **33. Fared Al Mahlool**

Fared is a Syrian independent journalist covering the humanitarian crisis across Syria.

Fared has set up a fundraising appeal calling for immediate assistance for his local community, affected by the earthquakes.

He has asked donors NOT mention "Syria" when sending support through PayPal. This can slow down the process of receiving funds because PayPal discriminates against the country.

He will be posting updates on where ALL proceeds are going.

You can donate to his appeal via either of the links below.

[https://twitter.com/FARED\\_ALHOR/status/1623366996770361357](https://twitter.com/FARED_ALHOR/status/1623366996770361357)

<https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/faredalhor>

### **34. Choose Love**

What started as a hashtag is now a global aid initiative, supporting over 150 projects and over a million people across Europe, the Middle East and on the US-Mexico border.

As of Wednesday 8 February 2023 more than 11,000 people have lost their lives and are missing or trapped beneath buildings. The number goes up every minute. More than 20 million people are affected as thousands of buildings have collapsed. Aid agencies are

particularly worried about northwestern Syria, where more than 4 million people already rely on humanitarian assistance.

Choose Love's partners are working tirelessly to save as many people as possible. The first days after an earthquake are the most critical. Their partners need urgent funds to pull people and babies out of destroyed buildings and provide emergency medical care, food, and shelter.

You can donate to their emergency earthquakes appeal via the link below.

<https://donate.chooselove.org/campaigns/emergency-earthquake-appeal/>

### **35. People in Need**

They provide immediate humanitarian aid and help people get back on their feet. They work in more than 30 countries, support child education, help the poorest and most vulnerable and support human rights activists.

Following the devastating earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria, People in Need have been working with local authorities and other non-profit organisations to provide immediate material and financial assistance.

They have already given 50,000 litres of petrol to the local governments in the area around the Syrian city of Idlib and to the north of the city of Aleppo. In cooperation with community canteens and volunteers, they also plan to distribute hot food to individuals in those areas. In the coming days, they hope to provide tens of thousands of meals to those in need.

If you would like donate to their lifesaving work, you can do so via their SOS Earthquake Syria and Türkiye Emergency Appeal. The link to donate is below.

<https://www.peopleinneed.net/donate/once>

### **36. Swasia Charity Foundation**

Swasia is a U.S. registered non-profit organisation. It's main goal is to provide the desperately-needed humanitarian assistance and aid to those impacted by the war in Syria. They have saved thousands of innocent lives inside Syria since its inception in early 2012 and will continue to do everything possible to save Syrian lives and alleviate their pain and suffering.

They are raising funds for their Earthquake Emergency Response. Swasia's main goal is to provide the desperately-needed humanitarian assistance and aid to those impacted by the war in Syria. Swasia is moving fast to provide immediate assistance to areas impacted the most, to help those that found themselves homeless in this already cold winter.

You can donate to their emergency response via the link below.

<https://swasia.org/donation/>

### **37. GOAL**

GOAL works with the most vulnerable communities to help them respond to and recover from humanitarian crises.

GOAL has been one of the leading humanitarian agencies in northwest Syria since 2012, and currently has a staff of 900+ there delivering aid and support across Idlib and Northern Aleppo. GOAL has also been implementing refugee response programmes in Türkiye since 2016, with more than 250 staff working in the country's southeast provinces to help the most vulnerable and marginalised refugees access essential services and aid. GOAL's operations in Türkiye are in Adana, Gaziantep, Hatay, and Şanlıurfa.

GOAL's current programmes in Northwest Syria and Türkiye include emergency response. Derek O'Rourke, GOAL's Regional Security Advisor for the Middle East said, "Our Emergency Response Unit is assessing the situation around our areas of operation that were most affected in these earthquakes in collaboration with local authorities, while prioritising the safety of our staff. GOAL is also part of the response coordination network led by AFAD, Turkey's Disaster and Emergency Management Authority. Immediate needs will include food, water, temporary shelter, clothes, blankets, hygiene and sanitary products, and medical items. So please donate what you can via our emergency public appeal."

For more information on GOAL's Turkey and Syria Earthquake Appeal and to donate please visit the link below.

<https://www.goalglobal.org/turkey-syria-earthquake-appeal/>

### **38. Multifaith Alliance (MFA)**

MFA work closely with the Coalition for Syria, working to increase humanitarian assistance to areas of Syria not controlled by Assad.

MFA is an organisation is vetted by the Syrian American Council as an organisation working on the ground in Syria in response to the earthquakes.

[https://www.sacouncil.com/how\\_to\\_help\\_earthquake\\_victims](https://www.sacouncil.com/how_to_help_earthquake_victims)

They do not have a specific appeal for the earthquakes, but a lot of the money going to general donations will go towards their emergency humanitarian work in response to the crisis.

You can donate to MFA via the link below.

<https://multifaithalliance.app.neoncrm.com/forms/14>

### **39. Luton Turkish Community Association and British Turkic Associations**

All the proceeds of the fundraising organised by the Luton Turkish Community Association and the British Turkish Associations will be transferred directly to the Disaster and Emergency Management Authority (AFAD) which is an agency under the Turkish Ministry of Interior working to prevent disasters and minimise disaster-related damages, planning and coordinating post-disaster responses.

You can donate to their appeal via the link below.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/earthquake-victims-in-turkey>

#### **40. Magen David Adom UK (MDA UK)**

MDA is a leading humanitarian aid organisation in Israel and has a UK fundraising branch.

MDA are doing all they can to help those affected by the disaster in Türkiye and Syria. MDA teams stand at the ready to provide whatever assistance they can.

Lieutenant colonel (ret.) Felix Lotan's team, from MDA, are operating in the city of Kahramanmaras, describing it as a "huge disaster" area. "It was very difficult to get into the city because the roads were destroyed and people were leaving while rescue teams were entering at the same time. It was a nightmare," Lotan said. "My team succeeded in rescuing a 12-year-old boy. We drilled a hole through the basement and dragged him out. He received medical treatment from us and was then sent to a hospital," he said, adding that another Israeli team managed to save a boy overnight as well.

MDA's life-saving efforts would not be possible without the support of people in the UK. If you would like to support the work of Magen David Adom at this time, please click on the link below.

<https://donate.mdauk.org/Donate/Landing.aspx>

#### **41. International Blue Crescent**

IBC was founded by a handful of idealist businessmen, who wanted to improve the lives of the people suffering. They have previous experience of emergency humanitarian work in response to devastating earthquakes.

International Blue Crescent (IBC) has begun relief efforts working from offices in the cities of Gaziantep (responding to Gaziantep and Kahramanmaras, the epicenter of the disaster), and Hatay where severe damage has been reported. IBC offices in Kilis are serving Northern Syria and IBC is providing relief and aid to Diyarbakir and Malatya from the Sanliurfa office.

Urgent Needs are tens of thousands of tents, heaters for the tents, tens of thousands of blankets, thermal clothing, ready to eat food for at least to 5000 people and basic first aid kits.

IBC has mobilized its entire capacity in the region and an emergency response coordination centre has been established in Gaziantep to coordinate all regional operations.

You can Donate to help earthquake victims via IBC at GlobalGiving via the link below

<http://goto.gg/58539>

## **42. Turkish Consulate in the UK and Turkish Airways**

The Turkish Consulate and Turkish Airlines have organised cargo planes that will be taking essential items to those affected by the earthquakes in Türkiye.

If anyone based in the West Midlands would like to donate any essentials, they have a collection point in Birmingham, which will open from 6pm to 9pm on Thursday 9 February 2023.

The items most needed right now are :

- . Nappies;
- . Baby food - jars, packets, powder milk;
- . Baby milk bottles;
- . Thermos/flasks;
- . Sleeping bags and tents,
- . New Blankets;
- . New baby clothes;
- . First aid items - plasters/bandages etc;
- . Heaters;
- . New/clean pillows and duvets;
- . Sanitary pads;
- . Baby wipes;
- . New/Clean winter coats;
- . Canned food/dry rice/pasta;
- . Shampoo;
- . Toothbrush/toothpaste;

. Cardboard boxes for packaging items to be sent off if possible.

**Collection Point Address:** Keric House, 197 Hagley Road, Birmingham, B16 9RD

If you have any queries please call 07404137036.

#### **43. Shelterbox**

Shelterbox is an international disaster relief charity of which I am a member of, as they do fantastic lifesaving work in disaster zones. They provide shelter to those affected by disasters worldwide.

In response to the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria they have launched the Türkiye and Syria Earthquakes Urgent Appeal. ShelterBox is responding. Please consider donate today to provide emergency shelter for families affected by the earthquakes and other disasters around the world.

If you would like to donate to ShelterBox to support its work in Türkiye, Syria and worldwide, you can donate via the link below.

<https://shelterbox.org/turkey-earthquake/>

#### **44. MEDSTAR and Dr. Turhan Comez**

Dr. Turhan Comez, a former political ally of Erdoğan, who then fell out with him is the Medical Director of Medstar, a UK based clinic. He is also a Nobel Peace Prize Nominee for his world renowned humanitarian aid work for multiple natural disasters and areas affected by war.

He is currently organising donations to help those in need in Türkiye, in response to the devastating impacts of the earthquakes there. The donations will be distributed to the disadvantaged cities affected by this horrific tragedy, with the help of his medical and political connections.

You can donate to his fundraising appeal via the link below.

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/heal-together-turkey>

#### **45. Madrasah Nasihah Centre**

Drop-off point over the weekend beginning 11 February 2023 for the specific items below, to help those affected by the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria.

Please contribute ONLY the items listed below. They must be NEW.

- Nappies;
- Wipes;
- Baby Formula;
- Women's Sanitary Products.

**Collection Point:** All items are to be dropped off at The Nasihah Centre Car Park and placed in the designated bays. The address is Olive Tree, Madrasah Nasihah, Ripon Streer, Leicester, LE2 1LW

\*DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING OUTSIDE OF THE DESIGNATED AREAS, AS THEY WILL BE DISPOSED OF

\*Drop off Days: Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th February 12 PM - 4 PM.

\_Kindly follow the instructions provided by the volunteers\_

Your assistance is appreciated.

#### **46. NATAN Worldwide Disaster Relief**

NATAN is an Israeli all-volunteer, non-profit NGO helping people all over the world rebuild their lives following natural and human-made disasters.

Their goal is to deploy within 48 – 72 hours of an event and their interventions are executed in cooperation with local aid organisations.

Following the two massive earthquakes which struck Türkiye and Syria NATAN conducts an initial assessment of the situation in Türkiye. They are one of the organisations, the international leading Jewish humanitarian organisation HIAS is raising funds, to support its response to the earthquakes.

They don't have a specific appeal, but you can donate to them, with a lot of the money in the near future going to their humanitarian response to the earthquakes.

You can donate to them via the link below.

<https://natanrelief.org/donate>

#### **47. CADENA International**

CADENA is a non-profit civil association dedicated to preventing and assisting in crises and disasters around the world, delivering hand-in-hand help directly to those in need.

In response to the earthquakes in Türkiye, they are coordinating a response operation through Mexican volunteers, who have headed out to Türkiye. At the same time, they have deployed a disaster relief medical task force composed of six medical professionals

capable of performing first aid. They have set up an fundraising appeal, so they can respond faster on the ground and therefore help more people.

If you would like to help CADENA in its work in Türkiye, you can donate to their appeal via the link below.

<https://donate.cadena.ngo/campaign/earthquake-in-turkey/c465171>

#### **48. SARAID**

SARAID are a voluntary urban search and rescue organisation, with experience of responding to humanitarian disasters worldwide.

SARAID have a team on the ground in Kahamanmaras in Türkiye in response to the earthquakes in that country and Syria. There is a second wave of the SARAOD team en route to deploy in the region and provide essential humanitarian assistance on the ground.

You can support SARAID's lifesaving humanitarian response to the earthquakes in Türkiye, by donating to its fundraising appeal via the link below.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/SARAID-Turkey>

#### **49. All Hands and Hearts**

All Hands Volunteers and Happy Hearts Fund initially joined forces in Nepal in 2015 to rebuild disaster-resilient schools in the wake of the devastating Nepal Earthquake. The organisations merged in 2017.

They are an organisation committed to effectively and efficiently addressing the immediate and long-term needs of global communities impacted by disasters. All Hands and Hearts arrives early and stays late to rebuild schools and homes in a disaster-resilient way.

In response to the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria, they set up a initial Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART), that immediately began helping with logistics within Türkiye. They are working closely with other organisations to determine how they can best assist those affected earthquakes that struck southeastern Türkiye and Syria.

You can support their Türkiye relief efforts, by donating to them via the link below.

<https://give.allhandsandhearts.org/give/465180/#!/donation/checkout>

#### **50. JDC**

JDC is the leading global Jewish humanitarian organisation.

In response to the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria, JDC is on the ground in Türkiye working with their partners, including the Turkish Jewish community, to provide medical

assistance, thermal clothes, food, and portable heating to earthquake victims. They are leveraging their expertise and long history of responding to natural disasters in Türkiye, deploying large-scale emergency relief and development projects. They are also working with their partners to support local hospitals.

You can donate to their efforts to help earthquake victims in Türkiye, via the link below.

<https://donate.jdc.org/give/465160/#!/donation/checkout>

## **51. Operation Blessing**

Operation Blessing are a Christian humanitarian organisation, seeking to alleviate human need and suffering in the United States and around the world.

One area they work in is disaster relief, from floods and hurricanes in the U.S. , to earthquakes and humanitarian disasters around the world.

In response to the devastating earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria, Operation Blessing's International Disaster Relief Team has been deployed to Türkiye. This region, particularly northern Syria, has already been devastated by civil war, displacing millions and many remaining residents continue to live in poor conditions. The multinational team of relief specialists is assessing the situation with partners in the region to determine how they may best serve the people in the aftermath of this terrible disaster. As they continue assessments, they have prepared relief bags filled with critical items like emergency food, drink, hygiene items and solar lights to help people without power. The Operation Blessing International Disaster Relief Team is also in Türkiye to help determine the best way to help people who have immediate and pressing needs.

They do not have a dedicated emergency appeal, but are asking people to donate to Operation Blessing to support their lifesaving work in Türkiye, as well as their work in Ukraine and Poland. You can donate to them via the link below.

<https://fundraise.givesmart.com/vf/OBDR>

## **52. Khalsa Aid**

Khalsa Aid is a well known UK based Sikh humanitarian organisation, providing humanitarian aid in crises and emergencies worldwide. They are inspired by the Sikh principle "Recognise the whole human race as one."

They are currently on the ground responding to the devastating impact of the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria. They have been distributing blankets in the badly damaged town of Işlahiye in Türkiye. They have procured 3,500 blankets from Northern Iraq, which will be distributed to provide warmth during these cold conditions. They are providing hot meals to those affected by the earthquakes in South East Türkiye. Risk assessments are ongoing and the focus remains on providing the most urgent aid during these critical next few days.

“Our hearts go out to the families who have lost loved ones in this devastating earthquake,” said Ravinder Singh, CEO of Khalsa Aid. “We are committed to providing support and aid to those affected and will continue to work closely with local organisations to ensure that their needs are met.”

You can support Khalsa Aid's relief efforts in Türkiye, by donating to their Türkiye-Syria Earthquake Appeal, via the link below.

<https://www.khalsaaid.org/news/turkey-syria-earthquake/>

### **53. SmartAID**

SmartAID are an Israeli based international non-profit agency, made up of a group of veteran humanitarian aid workers and seasoned entrepreneurs from the tech industry.

They are a non-religious, non-political, non-governmental international humanitarian aid organisation (INGO). Their independence gives the flexibility to effectively administer humanitarian aid where and when it is needed most. They look to provide lifesaving assistance.

SmartAID has deployed a Magen Search & Rescue team to Gaziantep, Türkiye to help with the rescue effort. SmartAID is also in discussions with local key partners on where to install connectivity, solar energy, and clean water units to support survivors, first responders and charities arriving on the ground.

They are asking for support to help them save more lives by donating to their efforts in Türkiye.

You can donate to SmartAID's vital work in Türkiye via the link below.

[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=CVYDVJ2EMHBRE](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=CVYDVJ2EMHBRE)

### **54. United Hatzalah of Israel**

United Hatzalah's network of over 6,200 volunteer medics help save thousands of lives each year across Israel by providing medical treatment in an average response time of 3 minutes or less. Their humanitarian services are free, universal and available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. They also respond to humanitarian disasters worldwide.

United Hatzalah has sent a delegation of 25 first responders and experts in search and rescue operations, as well as 10 tonnes of medical supplies and humanitarian aid. The chartered flight to Türkiye was arranged by Hatzalah and Sun D'or (an El Al-owned subsidiary airline), in coordination with the Israeli Foreign Ministry and the Israeli Embassy in Türkiye. The team includes members of Israeli Search and Rescue units, doctors, paramedics, EMTs, and members of the Psychotrauma and Crisis Response Unit, which specialises in supporting people suffering from psychological and emotional trauma.

To support their humanitarian mission, United Hatzalah is asking people to donate to their important rescue effort motivated by the ideals of Tikkun Olam, making the world a better place for everyone.

You can donate to help them provide emergency aid in Türkiye, via the link below.

<https://israelrescue.org/earthquakeresponse>

## **55. Armagh Humanitarian Aid for Syria and Turkey**

They are currently arranging collections of essential items to support those affected by the earthquakes in Türkiye and Syria.

They are asking for the following items

- . Blankets;
- . Coats;
- . Scarves, gloves and snoods;
- . Nappies of all sizes, new and in pack;
- . Baby wipes;
- . Hand warmers;
- . Thermal socks;
- . Woolly socks;
- . Ear muffs;
- . Hygiene kits and feminine hygiene products;
- . Warm clothes such as jumpers;
- . Trousers;
- . Coats and raincoats;
- . Boots;
- . Sleeping bags and tents;

On Friday 10th February 2022 from 7.30pm to 9pm, they have a collection point open at The Village - Armagh, 68 Upper English Street, Armagh BT61 7LG. Details about this collection can be found via the links below.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1399547710850690/permalink/1399550260850435/>

[https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story\\_fbid=pfbid02gXXVjnbjQRFKve7eaubBxMLPnBkY93uKPW7TR7468m45QBen2G9KmzSFsamR4duFI&id=100081743283336](https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story_fbid=pfbid02gXXVjnbjQRFKve7eaubBxMLPnBkY93uKPW7TR7468m45QBen2G9KmzSFsamR4duFI&id=100081743283336)

From 11am to 3pm on Saturday 11 February 2022, there is a collection point at Aonach Mhaca, 74-76, Sráid na nGall, Armagh, BT61 7LG. Details about this collection can be found in the link below.

<https://facebook.com/events/s/armagh-humanitarian-aid-for-sy/1409557003140299/>

Further updates about all Armagh Humanitarian Aid for Syria and Türkiye activities to support the people of Türkiye and Syria can be found in their Facebook group via the link below.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1399547710850690/?ref=share>