

Sign Up, Donate Now to Help Our Response to Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines

In the aftermath of the devastation from Super Typhoon Haiyan/Yolanda, one of the worst storms on record, the Registered Nurse Response Network (RNRN), a project of National Nurses United and California Nurses Foundation, has put out a call for volunteers and donations through its vast network of direct-care nurses. We received an overwhelming response of more than 3,000 RNs — a true testament to the courage and compassion of nurses.

RNRN has been gathering information and assessments from multiple sources, including the Philippines Alliance of Health Workers, a member of NNU's international affiliate Global Nurses United, to determine the need for nurses, medical supplies and financial support on the ground.

Through the disaster relief effort, RNRN have mobilized hundreds of direct-care RN volunteers to help provide care to people affected by other disasters in the U.S. and internationally, including Hurricanes Katrina and Sandy, the Haiti earthquake, and South Asia tsunami on the ground and on U.S. naval ships.

For this effort, RNRN is placing a special effort on recruiting volunteers who speak Tagalog, many of whom are directly connected to NNU and RNRN. RNs have been asked to provide their availability over the next month.

RNRN is also seeking public support with financial donations to help their relief effort. Secure donations may be made at www.RNResponseNetwork.org. Contributions are tax deductible, and 100 percent of all donations go directly to the relief effort.

In the Philippines, communication channels are not yet re-established to many areas, but current reports indicate as many as 10,000 deaths, with fears of many more casualties yet to be assessed. Several hospitals, along with thousands of homes and schools have been damaged or destroyed, and hundreds of thousands left homeless — many with long term shelter needs.

Visit www.RNResponseNetwork.org to sign up to volunteer and to contribute to help this effort.



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"As U.S. nurses, we have seen the effects of deadly storms and disasters and the pain it causes for our families and communities. We know the difference it makes to provide support and assistance in an hour of need. We will do whatever we can to aid our sisters and brothers in the Philippines."
— Zenei Cortez, RN, VP NNU

Through Registered Nurse Response Network (RNRN), NNU is reaching out to support affected Philippine communities, and the local caregivers who are on the front lines of the response to Super Typhoon Haiyan.

Here's how you can help:

- Volunteer to help If you are willing to respond to the tragic situation in the Philippines, please sign up and provide information on your availability for the next few weeks at: RNResponseNetwork.org
- Contribute to the RNRN fund established to support disaster relief services at: RNResponseNetwork.org
- To donate by mail: Make checks payable to CNF/RNRN and mail them to: CNF/RNRN
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