

HOW DOES USAID PROVIDE INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE?

USAID, through the Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance, provides humanitarian assistance in response to international disasters. USAID continually monitors global hazards, identifies potential areas of need, and stands ready to respond whenever disaster strikes.

WHAT IS CONSIDERED A DISASTER?



COMPLEX EMERGENCY

Political Crises, Social Unrest, or Conflict



RAPID-ONSET EVENT

Volcanoes, Storms, Earthquakes, Floods, etc.



SLOW-ONSET EMERGENCY

Food insecurity due to prolonged drought



DISASTER STRIKES

DOES USAID RESPOND?

Severity of disaster overwhelms local response capacity



Host nation asks or is willing to accept assistance



Response is in the U.S. interest



YES

USAID provides assistance.

NO

If the above conditions are not met, USAID does not provide assistance.

DISASTER DECLARATION

HOW DOES USAID RESPOND?

Once a disaster is declared, USAID can respond in a variety of ways based on the need and severity of the disaster. **USAID chooses one or a combination of the response options below.**



INITIAL PROVISION OF \$50,000



GRANTS TO IMPLEMENTING ORGANIZATIONS



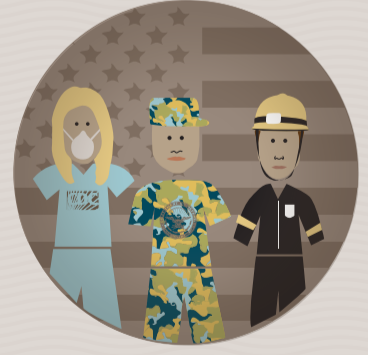
RESPONSE MANAGEMENT TEAM



DISASTER ASSISTANCE RESPONSE TEAM



PROCUREMENT, TRANSPORTATION, & DISTRIBUTION OF RELIEF SUPPLIES



CALL FORWARD OTHER U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES



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