

Disaster relief and disaster preparedness

International Cooperation

Worldwide commitment



WORLDWIDE

The Swiss Red Cross (SRC) provides relief assistance after serious natural disasters or in the event of armed conflicts. It consists of shelter, medical care, food and water supplies. In view of the greater frequency of environmental and natural disasters caused by climate change, it is becoming increasingly important to introduce measures for better risk reduction and disaster preparedness in the poorest regions of the world. Emergency goods are shipped and logisticians or medical delegates are deployed either

directly by the SRC or through the International Red Cross Movement. In the event of natural disasters, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) takes charge of the relief operations. In war zones, operations are run by the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). The SRC also works in close cooperation with the Swiss Humanitarian Aid Unit and is a partner of Swiss Solidarity.



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Health and reconstruction



LATIN AMERICA

The SRC's commitment in the countries of Latin America is concentrated on making sustainable improvements to health and nutrition. To achieve this, it works in close cooperation with organisations of indigenous communities and farmers, to strengthen and enable them to help themselves.

Bolivia



Ecuador



El Salvador



Haiti



Honduras



Paraguay



AFRICA

In African countries the SRC combats poverty-induced blindness and works to prevent the spread of HIV. It also provides medical treatment for AIDS victims. This includes training for local Red Cross volunteers and employees and supporting the National Red Cross Societies of the respective countries.

Mali



Sudan



Swaziland



Egypt



Eritrea



Ghana



Kenya



Togo



EASTERN EUROPE

In the light of the precarious state of the health services and the widespread poverty in many regions of eastern Europe, the SRC trains health-care staff at local district level, is involved in reforming the health care system and carries out special projects, in particular mother and child programmes.

Bosnia-Herzegovina



Moldova



Romania



Belarus



ASIA

In Asia, the SRC is committed to rebuilding communities after serious natural disasters, such as the tsunami in South-East Asia, combating poverty-induced blindness, providing clean drinking water and improving access to health care for the populations living in deprived regions. SRC also contributes to the reform of the public health system.

Kyrgyzstan



Laos



Nepal



Bangladesh



China/Tibet



Pakistan



India/Pondicherry



Vietnam



Cambodia



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