

Turkey & Syria Earthquake Relief

A Guide to Donating with Impact for Members of the University of Oxford

On 6 February 2023, two violent earthquakes devastated a vast region in southern Turkey and northern Syria. Throughout an area larger than Scotland, thousands of buildings collapsed. The confirmed death toll currently stands at 35,000 but is set to rise as more bodies are recovered from the rubble. The disaster severely disrupted electricity, water and gas supplies. It left millions of survivors homeless in the winter cold – in sub-zero temperatures in some areas – and in need of emergency shelter, heaters, food, water, clothing and medical care.

For members of the University of Oxford who would like to contribute to humanitarian relief efforts in the region hit by the earthquake, but would like to know how their donations will be used on the ground, an inter-divisional group of Oxford academics compiled a working list of NGOs and fundraisers meeting certain criteria:

The list only includes NGOs with a good track record of operating on the ground, and fundraising campaigns that directly benefit vetted local NGOs.

The list does not include governmental agencies, fundraisers benefiting governmental agencies, fundraisers that have not declared their local partners, or international agencies with administrative cuts or overheads (such as UNICEF).

We welcome further suggestions by [e-mail](#). They will be added to the list if they meet the criteria above.

AHBAP – Anatolian Public and Peace Platform

Non-profit organisation based in Turkey

Bank Transfer

Account holder: Ahbap Dernegi
Bank: Turkiye Is Bankasi
Swift code: ISBKTRIS
IBAN: TL TR120006400000110211380059
GBP TR370006400000210212260849
EUR TR150006400000210212150277
USD TR320006400000210212150262

TransferGo (<https://www.transfergo.co.uk/>)

AHBAP DERNEGI
TR120006400000110211380059
Code: *depreddestek*

Credit Card

<https://fonzip.com/ahbap/bagis>

Donations support search and rescue operations in collapsed buildings and provision of temporary shelter and emergency supplies to survivors in Turkey.

AKUT VAKFI – Search and Rescue Foundation

Foundation based in Turkey

Bank Transfer

Account holder: Akut Vakfi
Bank: Vakifbank
Swift code: TVBATR2A
IBAN: TL TR050001500158007298867478
GBP TR810001500158048022294048
EUR TR430001500158048014049829
USD TR970001500158048014049827

Credit Card

<https://iyzi.link/AI74PQ>

Donations support search and rescue operations in collapsed buildings, first aid and humanitarian aid to survivors in Turkey.

Basmeh & Zeitooneh

Foundation based in Lebanon, with an office in Turkey for operations in Syria (including opposition-held areas)

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/turkey-earthquake/>

Donations support provision of shelter, heaters and ready-to-eat meals by volunteers in northern Syria through the foundation's office in Gaziantep, Turkey.

Bridge to Türkiye Fund

Non-profit organisation based in the USA

https://secure.givelively.org/donate/bridge-to-turkiye/btf-friends-of-kahev?fbclid=IwAR0oJOKSP2v0symLhzsvcOk451ozYSH_HhX30dRqzFmK3hh_RV1c_9_HNwc

Donations go to KAHEV (Women Doctors Educational Support Foundation) to support the education and healthcare of children and university students in the affected area of Turkey.

British Alevi Federation

Registered charity in the UK (Charity number 1164879)

Bank transfer

Account holder: London Alevi Cultural Centre and Cemevi
Sort code: 20-46-60
Account number: 60570966
Reference: Earthquake

Donations go to emergency relief efforts in underprivileged Alevi villages.

HIHFAD – Hand in Hand for Aid and Development

Registered charity in the UK (Charity number 1176805)

<https://hihfad.enthuse.com/cf/emergency-syria-earthquake-appeal>

Donations support operations in northwest Syria (including opposition-held areas) and south Turkey managed directly by HIHFAD's regional offices in Gaziantep and Hatay, with the purchase of fuel for medical facilities, tents, blankets, mattresses, tarpaulins and ready-to-eat meals.

Hurras Network (Syrian Child Protection Network)

Non-profit organisation based in Turkey and operating in Syria (including opposition-held areas)

<https://childguardians.enthuse.com/emergencyearthquakeappealsyria#!/>

Donations will support the protection and psycho-social care of Syrian children effected by the earthquake.

Molham Team

Non-profit organisation based in Turkey, with legal status and offices in Germany, Sweden and Canada

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

Donations support humanitarian aid and accommodation for displaced families mainly in opposition-held areas of northern Syria.

Needs Map

Non-profit collective based in Turkey

<https://fonzip.com/mindhub/kampanya/needs-map-global-turkiye-earthquake-appeal>

Bank Transfer

Account holder:	Mind Hub ASBL
BIC:	TRWIBEB1XXX
IBAN:	BE07967302941066

NuDay Syria

Non-profit organisation based in the USA

<https://www.nudaysyria.org/>

Donations support rescue operations in partnership with Syria Civil Defence (White Helmets) and distribution of food baskets, winter equipment, emergency shelter and water especially to vulnerable women and children in Syria.

Oxfam

Registered charity in the UK (Charity number 202918)

As Oxfam is part of the Disasters Emergency Committee, donations to this campaign will be matched on a 1:1 ratio by the UK government, up to a maximum of £ 5 million.

<https://www.oxfam.org.uk/oxfam-in-action/current-emergencies/turkey-and-syria-earthquake-appeal/>

In Turkey, donations will be managed by KEDV (Foundation for the Support of Women's Work). In Syria, Oxfam works with the Syrian Society for Social Development and local partners in Aleppo.

Support to Life Association

Non-profit organisation based in Turkey

<https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/we-support-to-life-in-earthquake-zone/#menu>

Donations support provision of emergency needs of survivors in Turkey (currently tents suitable for winter conditions, tent stoves, gas cylinders, sleeping bags, blankets – check link above for current needs).

Donations support coordination, need analysis and humanitarian aid.

Syria Civil Defence (White Helmets)

Volunteer organisation in opposition-controlled areas of Syria

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

Donations support search and rescue operations and transfer of injured survivors to hospitals

Turkey Mozaik Foundation

Registered charity in the UK (Charity number 1174968)

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

Donations go to vetted NGOs operating in Turkey, currently including:

Support to Life Association – for supplying clean drinking water to survivors

Needs Map – for assessing the needs on the ground and delivering emergency needs

TOKTUT – for emergency food packages containing ready-to-eat meals to survivors

AKUT – for purchase of equipment used in search and rescue operations

Turkish Philanthropy Funds

Community foundation in the USA

<https://www.tpfund.org/2023/02/06/turkiye-earthquake-relief-fund/>

Donations go to vetted NGOs in operating in Turkey, currently including:

AKUT – for local search and rescue teams & humanitarian aid operations

Needs Map – for coordination, need analysis and humanitarian aid

Support to Life Association – for hygiene kits distributed to survivors

TOG (Community Volunteers Foundation) – for temporary relief and emergency supplies for displaced families

AHBAP – for generators and mobile toilets

CYDD (Association for the Support of Contemporary Living) – for immediate cash assistance to students and their families in the affected region

KAMER (Women’s Foundation) – for humanitarian aid to survivors

PAYDA (Sharing and Solidarity Organization) – for supporting PAYDA scholarship recipients and their families in the region

Union of Medical Relief and Care Organisations

Coalition of humanitarian medical organizations from the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, France, Switzerland, and Turkey, with main office in France

In the UK, donations are collected by the Syrian British Medical Society

Account name: SBMS

Bank: Royal Bank of Scotland

Sort code: 16-00-35

Bank account: 10914006

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/donate-to-help-syrians-after-the-earthquake>

Donations support the provision of medical aid and consumables, ambulance system, mobile clinics, shelters, health services and facilities in northwest Syria.