

ALERT No. 4 - Tomas

Hurricane

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ART'S EMERGENCY CENTER REPORT

The *AmericasRelief Team's* emergency center has not been activated; the center is staffed to help coordinate the shipping of relief aid to victims of the event. However, we anticipate that air relief flights, ocean relief space and co-loading opportunities will develop. We will notify our colleagues, friends and partners of space-available opportunities as this emergency develops.

HURRICANE TOMAS

PORT-AU-PRINCE (Reuters) - Earthquake-hit Haiti escaped a fresh disaster threatened by Hurricane Tomas, but the storm caused flooding that killed eight people and increased the contagion threat from a deadly cholera epidemic, the government and aid workers said on Saturday.

Amid widespread relief that the hurricane largely spared crowded camps in the Haitian capital housing 1.3 million quake survivors, the international humanitarian operation was turning its attention back to the two-week-old epidemic, which has killed just over 500 people and sickened more than 7,000.

"We do expect the infection rate to jump up due to the flooding and to the bad sanitation conditions in many areas," Christian Lindmeier, spokesman in Haiti for the Pan American Health Organisation/World Health Organisation, told Reuters.

"Cholera is a water-borne disease and so additional water means additional risk," said Lindmeier.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAITIAN COMMUNITY LEADERS MEET IN MIAMI

Miami, November 8 – Leaders of the South Florida Haitian community, as well as the relevant members of the NGO community, met at the Jean Jacques Dessalines Center in Miami to discuss the current status of Haiti in regards to Hurricane Tomas and the recent cholera outbreak. Consul Ralph Latortue of the Consulate General of Haiti in Florida called the meeting in order to organize the relief effort by the South Florida community.

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We are constantly updating our website and added helpful information which includes different ways in which you can get involved and help those how are being affected by Tomas. On this website you can find:

- The Community Emergency Response Center
- General Information Such as Alerts, Bulletins, and Reports
- How to Help Guides & Information

[Visit us.](#)

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTER

Take donations and contributions for Tomas' victims to the Community Emergency Response Center located at:

Emergency Response Center

3775 NW 77 Street
Miami, Florida 33147
Use NW 75 Street Entrance
T (305) 836-4393
Contact Person: Rafael Mejias

SPECIAL REQUESTS

FOUR (4) WAYS TO HELP DURING THIS CRISIS

1. [Financial Contributions](#) – the best and most efficient way to help.
2. Making a [Hygiene Kit](#)
3. [Soles 4 Haiti](#) – Flip Flop Campaign
4. Clothing & Shoe Donations

Please bring or send your donations to the **Emergency Response Center**. For more information view the [How Can I Help Quick Guide](#).

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Through **AmericasRelief Team's** new Freight Calculator, we are able to offer hassle free shipping with immediate quotes and preferential pricing. Please visit our [website](#) to learn more.



FREE PREPOSITIONING & STAGING WAREHOUSE

While we hope that this hurricane season will prove to be less active than predicted, we all know that natural disasters will inevitably strike—suddenly and horrifically—somewhere in the region. Therefore **AmericasRelief Team** and corporate partner LAPARKAN, have arranged for the use of a prepositioning and staging warehouse at no cost to NGOs. Visit our [website](#) for details.

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HUMANITARIAN LOGISTICS TOOLS

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