



URGENT APPEAL FOR SUPPORT TO EARTHQUAKE-AFFECTED AREAS IN THE CORDILLERA

The Serve the People Brigade (STPB) – Cordillera appeals for support for communities in the Cordillera affected by the 7.0 magnitude earthquake last July 27, 2022.

At 8:43 in the morning of July 27, Luzon was struck with an earthquake of magnitude 7.0 with epicenter at Tayum, Abra. Since then, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) has recorded thousands of weak and strong aftershocks throughout Luzon, especially in Abra and neighboring provinces. As of July 28, there have been 5 fatalities brought by the earthquake (2 in Benguet, 1 in Mt. Province, 1 in Kalinga, 1 in Abra, and 1 in Cagayan), at least 64 injured and hundreds of individuals displaced or evacuated.



Earthquake damages to a house in Tubo, Abra

Damages to community water systems and irrigation have been reported by municipalities such as in Bucay, Abra. Hundreds of houses and buildings including at least 75 schools in Abra were also damaged. Currently, a number of main highways to and from communities are closed from traffic due to landslides. Rice fields around Abra, Kalinga and other provinces have also been damaged due to landslides brought by the 7.0 magnitude earthquake and its aftershocks.



Earthquake damages to a rice field in Bazar, Sallapadan, Abra

The STPB – Cordillera is humbly calling on members, allies and friends for support in this time of emergency and disaster. STPB will be conducting relief missions and rehabilitation support. Any kind of help extended will go a long way in supporting victims of the earthquake in the region.



Lepanto Tailings Dam 5-A (located upstream of Abra) after the 7.0 magnitude earthquake



Earthquake damages to houses and lands in Tamac, Villaviciosa, Abra

More updates and information on the current situation of communities affected by the earthquake will be posted.

For material donations, we solicit the following:

- **repair kits for house, farm, waterworks and irrigation rehabilitation** (pvc pipes, cement, wood, galvanized iron, fuel, etc.)
- **tents and sleeping mats** (or materials for temporary shelter)
- **flashlights and batteries**
- **drinking water**
- **food supplies** (rice, canned goods, noodles, biscuits, cooking oil, etc.)
- **medicine**

You may drop-off your donations at #16 Loro St., Dizon Subdivision and look for Ms. Virgie Dammay or Ms. Audrey Corce. Kindly contact us through contact details below for pick-up donations.

Financial donations may be channeled through bank, or GCash:

Name of Bank: Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation (RCBC)
Bank Address: RCBC Building, #20 Session Road, Baguio City
Account Name: Cordillera Peoples Alliance, Inc.
Account Number: 0013 26723548
Swift Code: RCBCPHMM
Routing Code: 120280014

Name of GCash: Casselle Jannica T.
GCash Number: 09978191460

Donations will also be used for food-for-work for relief missions and other community mobilizations as support for house repairs and rehabilitation of rice fields, water works systems and irrigation canals.

We also call for volunteers for the donation drive and relief missions. You may also lend your vehicles for the relief and rehabilitation missions.

Further schedules and details will follow. Keep posted for updates.

For more information and inquiries, please contact Mr. Santi Mero, Serve the People Brigade Spokesperson, through +63 939 326 8164 or reach us through email at cpa@cpaphils.org.

Thank you very much and we look forward to your positive response to this urgent appeal,

SERVE THE PEOPLE BRIGADE-CORDILLERA

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Cordillera Women Education and Action Research Center

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