

ACTIVE 20-30 FOUNDATION - YOUR DONATIONS WILL HELP HAITI

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Esteemed Members of Active 20-30,

As many of you are aware, a tremendous tragedy struck our neighboring country of Haiti earlier this week. Here is a report from our Past National President Jennifer Norman who currently lives in the Dominican Republic about 6 hours from Port Au Prince:

The reports we have coming in are not good. Take 911 and multiply it by 10,000 and you will have the amount of devastation that has happened. Missing family members, deceased men, women, and children in the street, no hospitals, 800 doctors with Doctors without Borders are missing, UN headquarters has collapsed and the Presidential Palace is destroyed. There is no fire department, there are no hospitals, no grocery stores, barely a police department, no construction equipment (being donated at this moment), etc. People are digging by hand to find survivors. To call this situation bad is an understatement. I don't think our world has known such devastation. The Active 20-30 clubs have started a drive for basic necessities. Mostly money is needed in which to buy supplies here in the DR and will be driven to Haiti.

Like myself, I am sure that you have seen the horrific pictures and accounts that are coming out of Haiti. The last report I heard was in excess of 100,000 people have been killed. In response to the desire to help, I am asking that each club in Active 20-30 U.S. & Canada make a donation of at least \$100.00 that will be directed through our national Foundation to Active 20-30 Dominican Republic. I am also asking that each member contribute what they can through our Facebook causes page: <http://apps.facebook.com/causes/238620/47303827?m=6d54c0aa>

Or make checks payable to "Active 20-30 Foundation" and send to:
915 L Street, Suite 1000
Sacramento, CA 95814

Further, I am asking that each of you forward on our requests for donations to as many of your friends as possible (Facebook or otherwise) asking them for donations as well. Donations will go into our National Foundation and we can then forward them to Active 20-30 Dominican Republic.

I have been asked why people should donate to Active 20-30 rather than another organization. The answer is simple, with our organization's overhead costs covered by our dues, 100% of every \$1.00 raised will actually go to help the folks in Haiti. In addition, through our international organization, we can have funds in the hands of the members of the Dominican club within a 24 hour time frame. As the Dominican Republic is the other half of the same island as Haiti, they are in a unique position to deliver the food, water, and medicine that these folks so badly need.

It is rare that we as a National organization ask you to utilize your personal networks to help us, but in this case, I feel it is extremely justified. We can do more to help the people in need by working together than any individual or club can do. Please help me and the National association raise as much as we possibly can to help these folks in their time of crisis.

Yours in Service,
Evan L. Hershey
National President