AGENCY MANDATE

Rapid Response’s mandate is to respond to any emergency that puts at great risk the survival, protection, and well-being of a significant number of people, where addressing the needs and well-being of those people is beyond the indigenous coping capacity, and where Rapid Response is able to mobilize the financial and human resources to take urgent action on their behalf.

KEY STRATEGIES TO ACHIEVE OUR INTENDED IMPACT

- Develop evidence based replicable solutions, which can be implemented at scale.
- Advocate and mobilize for better practices and programs to build donor confidence.
- Support effective implementation of those practices and programs to ensure impact.
- Work with communities, governments, alliance members and other partners to avoid duplication and improve aid effectiveness.
WHY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLANNING?

- Quick and effective action is required during the onset of an emergency.
- Effective action often depends on having plans in place before the disaster strikes.
- If response is delayed, people’s lives maybe needlessly lost.

PRINCIPAL ELEMENTS OF PREPAREDNESS

- Risks and Vulnerabilities (the broad profile of a projected emergency)
- External Preparedness (what other actors are capable of doing)
- Internal Capacity (what Rapid Response is capable of doing)
- Preparedness Actions (results of the planning process)
STRATEGIC AREAS FOR EMERGENCY INTERVENTIONS

Risks & Vulnerabilities

External Preparedness

Internal Capacity

Strategic Interventions

Preparedness actions
EMERGENCY RESPONSE FRAMEWORK

Facilitate the rapid recovery of communities affected by disaster

- % affected population reached by RR Services

Sub-Goal(s) corresponding to program areas relevant to emergencies

1. Provide for critical Survival needs of affected population at Household level
2. Protect and restore household livelihoods
IMMEDIATE ACTIONS

- Deployment of Emergency Response Team Members.
- Moved pre-positioned supplies to impact area.
- Staff “stepped up” when key decision-makers were on holiday.

ALLIANCE

- Joint Emergency Planning.
- Joint Rapid Need Assessment.
- Joint trainings.
- Unified responses.

RESOURCES

- Relief Kits.
- Staff Deployments.
- Volunteer Database.
- Technical support for proposals.
- Management and grants support.
- Alliance liaison and grant agreements.
CHECKLIST

✓ Communications.
✓ Transportation.
✓ Finance.
✓ Procurement.
✓ Warehousing.
✓ Administration.
✓ Human Resources.
✓ Security.