







# November 2013

Last Friday, a massive typhoon smashed into the central islands of the Philippines, affecting thousands of families and leaving widespread devastation in its wake.

Habitat for Humanity has been on the ground in the Philippines for the past 25 years. Based on Habitat for Humanity's assessment across the area, thousands of families are currently without shelter. We are committed to help Filipino families but we need your support.

To provide immediate assistance we need **30,000 shelter repair kits** and **50,000 clean-up kits**.

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# Support families hit by the super typhoon in the Philippines

Recorded as the strongest storm the world has seen this year Typhoon Haiyan has left 37 provinces in the Philippines submerged in flood and thousands of families homeless. Help us respond by contributing to our Disaster Response Fund today.



# A home after 40 years of waiting

Premier of the Western Cape Province and the mayor of Cape Town joined about 140 volunteers supporting Habitat for Humanity South Africa. Find out about the project that will support the most vulnerable groups in the country.



**Bulgaria: Ups and downs of the national housing policy** At the end of October 2013, Habitat for Humanity Bulgaria held its first national Housing Forum. Read about the participants and specific topics discussed during the one-day event.



## Habitat's 800,000th house

This month Habitat celebrated its 800,000th house built, renovated or repaired since it was founded in 1976. With an average of five people per Habitat home, this milestone house represents an estimated 4 million people who have improved their living conditions through Habitat's housing solutions in the more than 70 countries around the world where Habitat works.

## **News in Brief**

## The Mekong Big Build in Cambodia

More than 150 volunteers joined Habitat for Humanity Cambodia to build homes with families relocating from SteungMeanchey dumpsite in Phnom Penh. The build marks the start of construction on the 2.2 hectare site that will ultimately consist of 270 housed, a school, a market and a community center.

## Support families affected by recent disasters in Asia

In recent weeks, typhoons, cyclones, floods and earthquakes have struck various countries in Asia, affecting millions of people. You can <u>support</u> Habitat's efforts in helping the families in need.

# The civil society Roma report

Habitat contributed its expertise for the housing sections of the civil society Roma Report in the European Union and advised on the submission from Hungary. This report provides an independent analysis on the implementation of National Roma Integration Strategies during the decade of Roma inclusion. You can read the report here (PDF).

# **Habitat and Social Media**

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## About Habitat for Humanity International

Habitat for Humanity International's vision is a world where everyone has a decent place to live. Anchored by the conviction that housing provides a critical foundation for breaking the cycle of poverty, Habitat has helped more than 4 million people construct, rehabilitate or preserve homes since 1976. Habitat also advocates to improve access to decent and affordable shelter and supports a variety of funding models that enable families with limited resources to make needed improvements on their homes as their time and resources allow. As a nonprofit Christian housing organization,

Habitat works in more than 70 countries and welcomes people of all races, religions and nationalities to partner in its mission. To learn more, donate or volunteer visit habitat.org.