

NCMC HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF DONATIONS: **MATCHING FUNDS**

Below is an explanation of how Haiti Earthquake Relief donations are being matched by the Government of Canada. This information is important for anyone who is considering making a donation to help Haiti during this time of recovery, or for anyone who has already made a donation through Nazarene Compassionate Ministries Canada (NCMC).

PASTORS, PLEASE MAKE THIS INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO YOUR CHURCHES.

1) How can a person wanting to make a donation to NCMC's Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund ensure that their donation will be matched by the government?

The Government of Canada will match **ALL** Haiti Earthquake Relief donations that are made by private individuals and churches through **ANY** registered Canadian charity.

2) How will the Government of Canada actually match these donations?

First, NCMC will declare to the government how much money they have received for Haiti Earthquake Relief.

The government will then match these declared donations **by putting government money into their own Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund**.

Since the government's Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund will be equivalent to the money which has been raised by those private, declared donations, **all donor money will thus be matched**.

****Please note that NCMC's declaration of funds **will not** include the donations which are designated for Canadian Foodgrains Bank (CFGB). Those funds will already be matched 4:1 through CFGB.****

3) What will happen to the money that the government has put in their Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund?

In order for a charity to access money in the government's Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund for use in their own programming, a Canadian charity is required to submit a proposal between 20 and 40 pages in length to the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA). CIDA will go through the process of reviewing all of these proposals, and then they will select some of the charities to receive a portion of the money in the government's Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund.

Therefore, a Canadian charity who submits a proposal may or may not be selected to receive a portion of the money, and therefore, may or may not have use of those matched funds. However, each donor's contribution **has still been matched**. It's just a question of how those specific funds will ultimately be used.

NCCMC has been suggesting to Nazarene donors and churches that they designate their donations for "CFGB" so that their donation will be matched 4:1 by CIDA. We are asking that this money be sent to the National Office. The money is transferred from the National Office to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank as it is needed for projects. The 4:1 matching occurs at the time of the programming of the funds.

NCCMC is **also** in need of "**undesigned**" funds to help with the cost of shipping and clearing of containers, as well as other projects in Haiti. For example, NCCMC has been offered the use of generators, which are greatly needed in Haiti at this time. NCCMC also may have access to a block-making machine that builds the blocks which are required for making earthquake-proof buildings. It takes funds to ship and transport these important items to where they are needed. Additionally, NCCMC has been asked to help fund other smaller projects, and to assist with the training and capacity development of the Haitian National Staff to help them manage all of these projects.

If you would like to make a donation, please make your cheque payable to "Church of the Nazarene Canada", designate it as "Haiti Earthquake Relief" and mail it to the following address:

Church of the Nazarene Canada
20 Regan Rd., Unit #9
Brampton, ON
L7A 1C3

You can also call the National Office at 1-888-808-7490, or donate at www.nccmc.ca.

Thank you for your donations! You are making a difference!