HUMANITARIAN AID UNIT

Cordaid’s humanitarian aid program provides needs-based aid to people affected by natural or man-made disasters. Our aims are twofold: to save lives and to strengthen communities in coping with future crises. We operate in the most fragile contexts and we work to link relief to development. People affected by disasters often show incredible resilience. That is why we believe it is essential to involve them in our humanitarian programs. In 2017 alone, almost 2 million people received aid through Cordaid’s interventions. Currently we are working in Afghanistan, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Syria, Iraq, South Sudan and Uganda, Myanmar, Yemen and Indonesia.

OUR SECTORS

- WASH
- Shelter and Settlement
- Food Security and Livelihood
- Cash Based Intervention (CBI)
- Social infrastructure (education, health, community infrastructure)

OUR EXPERTISE

- Nexus - Linking Relief Rehabilitation to Development (LRRD)
- Resilient recovery
- Community driven and participatory
- Integrated approach covering our sectors
- Localization: working with local partners, where necessary capacity strengthening
- Disaster preparedness
- Returnee support

OUR QUALITY APPROACH

- Community of experts for Cash Based Interventions
- Communities of Practice: WASH and Shelter & Settlement:
  - Shared learning across countries, programmes, units and partners
  - Using and combining expertise of humanitarian and development units
- Protection mainstreaming in all our programmes
- Transparency: a.o. IATI reporting
Cordaid works to end poverty and exclusion. We do this in the world’s most fragile and conflict-affected areas as well as in the Netherlands. We engage local communities to rebuild trust and resilience and increase people’s self-reliance. Our professionals provide humanitarian assistance and create opportunities to improve security, healthcare and education and stimulate inclusive economic growth. We are supported by 288,000 private donors in the Netherlands and by a worldwide partner network.

Our Networks

Cordaid is a founding member of Caritas Internationalis, a confederation of over 160 catholic humanitarian organizations around the world, working together to reach out to the poor, vulnerable and excluded, regardless of race and religion.

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