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Vanuatu Ravaged by Cyclone Harold

Dear Rotary President

On April 6th Cyclone Harold made landfall in Vanuatu as a Category 5 cyclone, bringing devastation to the northern provinces. The provinces of Sanma, Malampa, Torba and Penama are most affected. It is estimated that up to **90% of buildings** and houses in Sanma are either damaged or destroyed. Communications are still down in most areas and, coupled with the remote nature of many communities, the full extent of the damage or casualties is still unclear. **160,000 people are thought to be affected.**

Vanuatu is mercifully COVID-19-free and the government would like to keep it that way. As such, we are unable to send in a Response Team. Our Operations team have been working tirelessly to find a way to assist the people of Vanuatu, working with the National Disaster Management Office and locally based NGO's

FACTS ABOUT CYCLONE HAROLD

- Cyclone Harold made landfall in Vanuatu as a Category 5
- There is a shortage of emergency shelter items in Vanuatu and in-country partners are turning to Shelter Cluster partners for assistance

- Although the COVID-19 pandemic is restricting direct SRT access, ShelterBox has identified a potential partner in **CARE Vanuatu**
- Based on the needs assessment, we are looking at providing **IFRC spec Shelter Kits** (tarps, tools and fixings) plus additional IFRC spec tarps and rope; **solar lights**. The caseload would be **3000 households**

If you have recently donated, please accept my thanks on behalf of the families you have helped.

Your support is CHANGING LIVES!

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\$120 could buy a Shelter Kit

In every emergency, there is an urgency to act. The COVID-19 pandemic has complicated and slowed any response in Vanuatu but also allowed us the time to liaise with partners on the ground and get a better understanding of needs of the affected population. With your support, we can help ensure that families have safe shelter from the elements and potentially, the virus.

Kind regards

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