

Within 3 days, Singapore Red Cross raises over \$33K for Laos flood victims

Generous Singaporeans have donated over SGD 3,000 in 3 days to Singapore Red Cross for the Laos floods response at <https://redcross.give.asia/laos>



Laos Floods Response - Public Appeal | Singapore Red Cross



More information about the campaign below:

Responding to the heavy rain and flooding that caused the sudden hydropower dam collapse in Southeast Laos on Monday evening, Singapore Red Cross (SRC) has launched a public fundraising appeal, and will pledge S\$50,000 in humanitarian aid to affected communities.

The donations will fund the **purchase and distribution of relief items, including first aid supplies, blankets and mats for survivors**, as well as, other disaster relief and recovery efforts.

Singapore Red Cross is working closely with Lao Red Cross Society (LRCS) to dispatch a three-person advance team on Thursday, 26 July. Comprising experienced Red Cross **volunteers trained in disaster management**, the team will **deliver relief supplies to an estimated 1,000 families**, and conduct ground assessments to determine urgent and mid-term needs.

Mr Benjamin William, Secretary General and CEO of Singapore Red Cross, said, “With **continued rain and strong winds predicted** for the next few days, there is **much uncertainty surrounding the situation** at this point. We are deeply concerned for the survivors, and plans are already in motion for **SRC to provide immediate response**. Our first priority is to **address the urgent needs and to provide support to the homeless**. We will continue to monitor the situation closely and work with our partners to render appropriate aid in this challenging time.”

The consequences of the collapsed hydropower dam are dire. Reportedly releasing **five billion cubic meters of water** - the equivalent of more than two million Olympic-sized swimming pools - through six villages, the **flash flooding** accident has **resulted in hundreds of people missing**, an unknown number believed to be dead, and **6,600 people made homeless** due to evacuations. Recently, many parts of Laos have been hit by floods from heavy seasonal rains. Over the next few days, **continued rain and strong winds** are predicted and **could worsen the situation**.

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