Typhoon Haiyan
Typhoon Haiyan (locally known as Yolanda) swept through the central Philippines on 8 November 2013, killing more than 6,000 people and displacing 4 million.

The Government has asked humanitarian organisations to address the most urgent shelter needs of 500,000 households — approximately 2.5 million people. The remaining families will be assisted directly by the government.

During the first 100 days of the response, Shelter Cluster partners have achieved the following:

- 500,000 households have received basic emergency shelter materials such as tarps and tents
- 370,000 households have received basic, shelter-related household items such as mats and blankets
- 100,000 households have received kitchen sets that contain pots and pans, cutlery, bowls, cups, plates etc
- 61,000 households have received building materials for walls, frames, floors etc
- 54,000 households have received roofing materials such as corrugated iron sheeting
- 40,000 households have received cash with which they can buy building materials or pay for labour. This is particularly important for those who cannot repair or rebuild their homes themselves
- 2,000 households have received transitional or "core shelters" — these are small, sturdy houses with one room that can be extended or upgraded by the families
- 170,000 households have access to tools such as hammers, saws, shovels etc
- 700 carpenters have been trained in safe building techniques

Despite these achievements, the Philippines are still facing a shelter emergency: on average, the country is hit by 20 major storms per year. This year, the survivors of Typhoon Haiyan already have faced two storms which damaged and destroyed emergency shelter materials in their paths. It is clear that many families will still be living under tarps, leaking and unstable roofs, or in tents when the next typhoon season starts.

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