

Mindanao (Philippines): Keep Supporting Typhoon Vinta / Tembin Survivors - MIHANDs. An update from the ground

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Lanao del Norte MiHands Incident Command Center Updating and Planning. MiHands is a movement of at least 50 grassroots organizations for humanitarian actions against disasters convened by TRIPOD and RDRRAC since 2013. This is only a partial report on ongoing activities, it does not cover the whole area where MiHands network is active.

As Typhoon Vinta (Tembin) left many sorrowful memories of the holiday season, MIHANDs grassroots member organizations in Lanao del Norte namely DKMP, LAFCCOD and KILOS KA-Lanao, who are typhoon survivors themselves, did not falter their resolved to become resource for others and rose from the mudflows to help their families, friends and neighbors. Amidst this difficult circumstance, they immediately reactivated their quick action teams and formed a coordinated Incident Command System.

To support this initiative, MIHANDs immediately posted an appeal for financial and material support for the affected families since December 23, 2017 [[1](#)]. We did this because being a grassroots-based humanitarian network, we do not have stockpiles of relief materials readily available for dispense. But we find strength and inspiration from the over-flowing commitment and spirit of volunteerism from our grassroots member-organizations all over Mindanao. We also enjoy the friendship and strong spirit of solidarity from friends, partners and supporters inside the Philippines and abroad.

Many thanks to you all those, who in whatever means and ways, responded to our Appeal posted on December 23, 2017; hence, with the material and cash donations collected by MIHANDs since then, we are able to extend some support to 64 farmer-households with 5 kilos organic rice, hygiene kits and cleaned used clothing. This was distributed to farmers in different partner communities of DKMP on December 31, the New Year's Eve. Some photos are posted below.

Another 100 fisher folk-households received today and tomorrow (January 9-10, 2018) organic rice and relief materials packed by and distributed by LAFCCOD in their partner fishing communities. Photos of these activities will be posted soon.

Also today, MIHANDs Health Team conducted a detailed planning workshop with our Lanao del Norte Center Command for the upcoming 1st Round of Medical Mission using Ear Acu- Detox set on January 12-14, 2018 in 2 sites - one in Maranding Arcade Evacuation Center and to the house-based survivors of Barangay Rebe, both in Lala Municipality. Thanks to NADA Philippines - our partner in this continuing health mission.

All our humanitarian response happen because of your trust and unwavering support - our members, friends, supporters and partners. Thus, we cannot thank you that much from the bottom of our heart.

We will continue the humanitarian relief mission of helping disasters survivors in Marawi, in Lanao, in Mindanao and elsewhere. And as such, any help and donations from you are very much welcome.

For the next updates for our ongoing humanitarian initiatives, we promise to keep you posted! Soon we will also be sharing with you stories of how communities and peoples from the ground brave the wrath of

Typhoon Vinta.

Many thanks to our network members, volunteers, donors and supporters that make our humanitarian missions possible.

We are posting again our channels for donations, in case you want to be part of these humanitarian missions:

Through Paypal : paypal.me/janpesons

Through Bank Transfer :

Account Name : Mindanao Humanitarian Action Network

Account No. : 9353-1085-54

Bank Name : Bank of Philippine Islands (BPI)

Bank Address : Quezon Avenue, Iligan City

SWIFT Code : BOIPHMM

Thank you so much!

International donations can be channeled through ESSF if convenient

To send donations

Cheques

cheques to ESSF in euros only, payable in France, to be sent to:

ESSF

2, rue Richard-Lenoir

93100 Montreuil

France

Bank Account:

Crédit lyonnais

Agence de la Croix-de-Chavaux (00525)

10 boulevard Chanzy

93100 Montreuil

France

ESSF, account number 445757C

International bank account details :

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Account holder : ESSF

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Or go directly to:

<https://www.helloasso.com/associations/europe-solidaire-sans-frontieres/formulaires/1/widget>

We will keep you informed through our website of the state of the permanent solidarity fund and how it is utilized.



Organic Rice produced by Lanao del Norte farmers packed for TS Vinta Survivors



Volunteers packing



Sorting of Clothings



P.S.

* Martes, Enero 9, 2018: <https://mindanaonemovement.blogspot.fr>

Footnotes

[1] ESSF (article 42742), [Typhoon Vinta/Tembin - New Disaster in Mindanao \(Philippines\): An urgent call for financial solidarity](#).