

# Press Release



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## **Aid to Haiti**

The Diocese of Charlotte is responding to the recent 7.0 magnitude earthquake in Haiti by collecting funds on behalf of Catholic Relief Services (CRS) to be used for short-term and long-term recovery efforts.

This disaster has created a situation of human suffering that the victims cannot alleviate without assistance. Initial reports state that the capital city of Port-au-Prince is devastated.

Donations to assist CRS in short-term and long-term relief and recovery efforts should be made payable to the Diocese of Charlotte - Haiti Disaster Relief, and mailed to:

Haiti Disaster Relief  
Catholic Diocese of Charlotte  
1123 South Church Street  
Charlotte, NC 28203-4003

CRS was founded in 1943 by the bishops of the United States to provide humanitarian aid to people in need all over the world. Currently it provides assistance to more than 80 million people in 100 countries and territories.

Catholic Relief Services has been named a top-rated charity by the American Institute of Philanthropy and given the rating of "A" by AIP for efficiently using the majority of its funds toward programming versus fundraising.

To learn more about CRS visit the website [www.CRS.org](http://www.CRS.org).

The Diocese of Charlotte serves the spiritual needs of 400,000 Roman Catholics in the 46 counties of Western North Carolina. The diocesan website is [www.CharlotteDiocese.org](http://www.CharlotteDiocese.org).

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