ABOUT ISRAAID

Founded in 2001 as a coalition of Israeli organizations working in disaster relief and international development, IsraAID has grown into an independent NGO and the largest humanitarian aid organization in Israel.

From earthquakes and hurricanes to epidemics and forced displacement, IsraAID has been at the forefront of responding to major humanitarian crises around the globe.

We have worked in more than 50 countries and at any one time have around 300 staff members worldwide.
OUR AREAS OF WORK

- EMERGENCY RESPONSE
- RECOVERY, RESILIENCE & PREPAREDNESS
- REFUGEES, DISPLACEMENT & FORCED MIGRATION

OUR AREAS OF EXPERTISE

**PROTECTION**
- Prevention of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV)
- Child protection
- Protection through income generation and livelihoods
- Mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS)

**EDUCATION**
- Psychosocial support in education systems
- Post-emergency access to formal and informal education
- Disaster risk reduction in education

**WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE (WASH)**
- Access to safe water
- Hygiene and sanitation promotion
- Vocational WASH training

**HEALTH AND MEDICAL CARE**
- Emergency medical response
- Sexual and reproductive health
- Public health
Wherever we’re needed, we’re there.

IsraAID responds to disasters, epidemics and post-conflict situations across the world, providing emergency medical care, mental health support, relief items, and water, sanitation and hygiene solutions. In 2020-21 we responded to COVID-19 in 17 countries. The moment we arrive someplace impacted by disaster, we hit the ground running. We keep our Emergency Response teams nimble to help affected communities get back on their feet quickly. Each response is implemented with local partners, and our first step is always to listen to affected communities so we can create solutions together.

8 Million reached globally through COVID-19 pandemic response

46,000 reached through non-COVID-19 emergency responses in 2020
We think present. We plan for the future.

When a hurricane or earthquake hits, the immediate concern is saving lives. As the initial emergency subsides, the question becomes: How can communities, governments, and humanitarians support long-term recovery and strengthen the resilience of individuals and populations?

From the start of our work with a community affected by crisis, we collaborate with them on how to support recovery and develop plans to reduce the risk of future disasters. Together, we build sustainable and practical solutions that communities can embrace for the long term.

In 2020, IsraAID’s Water, Sanitation & Hygiene team completed construction of two gravity-fed water systems serving 400 people in Meriu and Bonga Bonga in South Tongoa, Vanuatu.

Church elder Edmond Joseph described the impact of the new water systems: “The water system has placed the community on another level, and we know that with this water project in the community, the future is bright. This is a huge help.”
A global crisis that needs all of us.

The ongoing refugee and forced migration crisis is the largest humanitarian disaster of our generation. Worldwide, nearly 80 million people have been forcibly displaced. IsraAID has been at the forefront of efforts to help, working in Colombia, Germany, Greece, Kenya, South Sudan, and Uganda.

Our work begins with emergency relief, then shifts toward long-term integration and resilience. We’re sure to always include refugees on our teams as we combat gender-based violence, advance child protection, improve sanitation, and offer job opportunities.

Spotlight
Uganda

IsraAID operates two Child-Friendly Spaces in Uganda’s Palorinya Settlement to provide activities and psychosocial support for hundreds of children.

Having lost her parents to conflict, Rose regularly attends one of them. “Before the center was opened, I had no place to spend my free time and spent a lot of time thinking about my parents. Here I am occupied and have made new friends,” she said.
IsraAID U.S. works to engage communities across the United States, building bridges between people and introducing Americans of all ages and backgrounds to IsraAID’s global humanitarian mission.

Since its founding in the Bay Area in 2017, IsraAID U.S. has grown immensely, with additional offices in L.A. and now Miami. From education to network organizing and community outreach, IsraAID U.S.’s impact can be felt nationwide, reaching tens of thousands of people every year.

There are many ways to get involved, including educational programs, speaking events, and by joining emergency response rosters.

Visit israaid.org/get-involved to find out more.

IMPACT STATS:

During the COVID-19 pandemic, IsraAID U.S. Volunteers helped local food banks serve 1.2 Million people across the country.

IsraAID’s volunteer professionals delivered webinars on stress relief for 2,500 participants across the country, together with more than 50 partners.

During 2020, IsraAID U.S. reached over 25,000 people through virtual events.