



ACBL Charity Foundation

Disaster Recovery and Rebuilding Grant Policy Guidelines

Introduction: The ACBL Charity Foundation has established a Catastrophic Relief Fund and Grant Policy Guidelines to provide monetary contributions that support disaster response, recovery, and rebuilding efforts. These grants are intended for eligible regional, community-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations or equivalents.

Grantmaking Process

The ACBL Charity Foundation will consider providing grants for disasters based on the following criteria:

- Declaration of a Disaster--Grants will be considered when an official declaration of a disaster is made by appropriate government officials at the regional or national level. The Foundation will closely monitor disaster situations and initiate the grantmaking process if the trustees vote to do so.
- The steps involved in the review and selection process include:
 - Initial Review--The Foundation's trustees will confirm that the disaster is in alignment with the grant guidelines.
 - Evaluation: The trustees will evaluate the qualified disaster based on predetermined criteria, such as alignment with disaster recovery objectives, potential impact, feasibility, and sustainability.
 - Due Diligence: The trustees may conduct site visits, interviews, or request additional information.
- Review and Selection Process--If the trustees vote to provide a grant, they will decide which organization to direct the grant to—e.g. Americares, Doctors without Borders, Direct Relief, CARE, etc. Americares, for instance, is a global non-profit organization focused on health and development that responds to individuals affected by poverty, disaster, or crisis. The organization addresses poverty, disasters, or crises with medicine, medical supplies and health programs. Americares has a 98% Charity Navigator rating.
- Geographic Boundaries: The Foundation will define specific geographic boundaries or regions within which it will provide grants for disaster recovery and rebuilding efforts. These boundaries will be based on the severity of the disaster,

the affected population, and the Foundation's available resources. The possible regions will lie within the boundaries of the ACBL membership.

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