



**CLIMATE ALLIANCE OF
HIMALAYAN COMMUNITIES
(CAHC)**

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A Call for Help from the Himalayan Communities

We the communities living in the High-Himalayas are naturally resilient people- we have withstood adversities of nature for centuries. Anyone who has visited us in the mountains knows we prefer dealing with our problems ourselves. The scale and magnitude of the earthquake/s- that are still continuing- and the devastation they have caused/are causing, clearly, are just too big for us to handle ourselves. We need help from outside to deal with this disaster.

The world-of-aid-agencies have arrived in Nepal- many more are likely to land in the months that would follow. The fear of us, the mountain people, is that given the inaccessibility of our terrain, and our marginalized role in the country's governance, the help, if at all any, reaches us might be too little too late. We thereby appeal to the world of mountaineers, mountain lovers, hikers those who understand the difficulties of mountain people in Nepal- who have been among us to use resources at their disposal- not necessarily just financial but also their political clout and connections to get us help.

How Your Help Can Reach Us Quicker

We the Himalayan Communities are organized thorough a civil society organization 'Climate Alliance of Himalayan Communities (CAHC)' that acts as a common platform for the members of the Himalayan communities across Nepal. It is a legally registered organization with the appropriate authorities of the government of Nepal. Its Executive Board comprises of community leaders from most of the mountain districts affected by the Earthquake. Each Executive committee member has created a sub-committee of 15-25 community leaders in their respective areas. In the wake of the earthquake we are quickly expanding our network of community leaders in some of the unrepresented districts. I work as the Chairperson of CAHC.

CAHC's implementation partner- another legally registered non-profit named Himalayan Climate Initiative- has signed an written agreement with the Government of Nepal - National Planning Commission – to mobilize and deploy 20,000 young volunteers from all over Nepal into relief, rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts in the wake of the deadly earthquake. These National Volunteers will work shoulder to shoulder with Nepal Army, Nepal Police and other government and non-government organizations to provide help to the earthquake affected parts of Nepal.

Your help can reach us quicker and more effectively by working with CAHC/HCI as both these organization are volunteer based, and committed to 100% transparency in all their work.



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How You Can Help

1. By getting back to us with your idea to provide help in rehabilitation and reconstruction work.
2. By shipping us relief material at our office as per the address below in the letterhead signature
3. By sending us money for immediate relief purposes at the following official bank account

Bank Account Details

Bank Name: ACE Development Bank Limited
Account Number/IBAN : 001000000769101
Account Name: Climate Alliance of Himalayan Community
Swift Code: ACDENPKA
Bank Address: Narayan Chour Naxal, Kathmandu

Sincerely,

Ang Tshering Sherpa
Chairperson, CAHC

