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“This is a Rotary Foundation Minute.

Since the February 6th earthquake in Turkey and Syria more than fifty thousand lives have been lost, sixty-six thousand buildings destroyed and after almost two months people are still sleeping outdoors with temperatures dropping below freezing.

The Rotary Foundation has responded. Thousands of tents have been provided to families in both Turkey and Syria through Rotary’s partnership with ShelterBox.  The number of ShelterBoxes deployed to these countries is now approaching twenty thousand.

Thermal blankets, mattresses, solar lights and water carriers are being sent to Syria. And Rotary is partnering with ReliefAid to provide winter coats for children in both countries.

Clubs throughout the world have provided disaster relief. Every dollar donated to relief efforts in Turkey and Syria proves Rotary International earns the “international” part of its name.

This has been a Rotary Foundation Minute.”

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