



ShelterBox *response*

Peru Flooding 2017 Impact Report



Beginning in December 2016, heavy rains caused landslides and floods across Peru. Throughout January, February, and March, the floods continue and the severity increased. Many homes were degraded due to the heavy rainfall, while many others were severely damaged or destroyed. Two of the most affected areas on the Northern coast of Peru were La Libertad and Piura.



1000 Families Sheltered

1000 ShelterKits and customized aid items were delivered to families in need, so they could start rebuilding faster.



ShelterBox worked with the Instituto Nacional De Defensa Civil (INDECI) - a disaster management agency within Peru as well as the Rotary District 4455 to import aid, and distribute it to those who needed it most. In La Libertad, this meant distributing ShelterKits to help families rebuild. In Piura, where emergency shelter needs were met, ShelterBox delivered items critical to the wellbeing of families.

OPERATIONS HIGHLIGHTS

Aid distributed:



	La Libertad		Piura
<i>ShelterKit</i>	1000	<i>Mosquito Net</i>	2061
<i>Mosquito Net</i>	1000	<i>Solar Light</i>	3030
<i>Ground Sheets</i>	2000		
<i>Solar Light</i>	2000		
<i>Water Carrier</i>	3000		

Although emergency shelter needs had been met at the relocation camp in Piura, it was identified that the community had no access to lighting, and was suffering from an outbreak of dengue fever - a mosquito borne disease

After the Floods:

Self-Recovery



ShelterKits enables families to return to their home sites and rebuild a more durable home

ShelterBox aims to support the self-recovery of communities. Due to lack of resources, poor health, and other issues, many families are unable to do this alone. ShelterBox provides people with the aid and training to re-build and encourages ongoing recovery. The tools provided helped excavate mud and debris from homes. This allowed people to focus on next steps and start earning money again.

In Peru, dignity is tied to independence and ownership. Providing families with solar lights so they did not have to rely on others electricity helped them feel in control. This contribution has a significant impact on families. Similarly, providing families with emergency shelter, allowing them to remain on their land had a significant impact on the psychological and emotional welfare of affected communities.



Key Learnings: Dignity and Self-Recovery

The number of mosquito nets provided in Piura was based off of average household sizes, and unfortunately did not provide families with enough protection. In future this should be tailored to each household.

Outcomes were related to their respective levels of poverty. A different assest process may enable a more target beneficiary selection process based on vulnerability assestments.

The presense of pre-positioned stock in the Philippines allowed response team members to access aid within two days.

Training should include why an item is useful, not just how to use it.

