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Disaster Aid Australia delivers two types of aid:

- **SmartAid:** To help communities in developing countries rebuild their lives after a major disaster.
- **Safe Water for Every Child:** To reduce the ongoing disaster of disease and death from unsafe water.

Disaster Aid Australia Is Great Value

With the end of the the Tax Year, and the Rotary Year, coming up we would like to remind all of our supporters of the great value DAA continues to deliver for their donations.

We provide **Safe Water for Every Child** for \$1/per person/year.

Our **Smart Aid** helps people rebuild a home for \$1,000



Indian COVID Related Aid



With hundreds of thousands of new cases and thousands of deaths every day COVID 19 has hit India hard.

DAA and other Disaster Aid International partners have stepped in to help Disaster Aid India.

The aid will assist the poorer rural communities of the districts of Mokhada, Jawhar and Vikramgad in the Palghar region.

Bhutan 2020 Progress

We are continuing to ship SkyHydrants to Bhutan.

Although the COVID pandemic has understandably caused delays to our **Bhutan 2020** project we are expecting to have completed this project by September 2021.

Currently over 45,000 pupils and staff are enjoying better health due to the already installed units.



World Rotary Day

On the 23rd of February we celebrated World Rotary Day the 116th Anniversary of the foundation of the Rotary Club of Chicago.

As a project of the Rotary Club of Greater Dandenong and Endeavour Hills we owe our existence to Rotary.

We also continue to receive the majority of our support from Rotarians and Rotary Clubs around Australia



Water System Repair In Honduras

Comayagua Rotary Club is helping the villagers of La Mata de Plátano Village in Honduras restore their water system damaged by Hurricane Eta

Disaster Aid Canada have a history of working in Central America are leading the international support, from many Rotarians around the world

DAA has made a grant towards this project.

Why Bottled Water Is Not A Disaster Solution

During disasters news reports frequently show pictures like this of huge quantities of bottled water being air freighted to the disaster location.

A single SkyHydrant GEM Rapid Response Pack only weighs 20kg.

Each pack costs the same as 5 pallets of bottled water but delivers the equivalent of five pallets of filtered drinking water every day.



East Timor Floods

Disaster Aid Australia SkyHydrants were used in two locations to supply safe water during the Dili Flooding

Three SkyHydrants supplied to Balibo House Trust were used with installation by Engineers without Borders.

DAA assisted during the installation and commissioning of this unit at the Don Bosco Community.

Pamanukan Flood Response

During February and March large parts of the town of Pamanukan, Indonesia was underwater.

As the flood waters dropped the damage to the homes of some of the poorer people of Pamanukan became apparent.

Disaster aid Australia was contacted by Rotary Club of Bandung Pakuan and agreed to provide Smart Aid funds for repair and rebuilding.

The funds will be used to pay for materials for the construction of basic houses which will have a living room, a bedroom, a kitchen and a toilet.



Visit Disaster Aid Australia

With COVID restrictions easing Disaster Aid Australia has re-opened its office to Vocational Visits.

Visiting clubs can find out what it takes to run an international aid charity.

See our demonstration SkyHydrant treating dirty water, transforming it to clean safe drinking water.

We also include a great two course meal for \$20/head.

More SkyHydrants in the Philippines

As well as responding to disasters our local partner Balay Mindanaw has continued working with us to provide **Safe Water for Every Child**.

This SkyHydrant, installed in Coopville, is the 75th SkyHydrant installed by Balay Mindanaw, and the 5th in partnership with the Rotary Club of West Cagayan de Oro.

SkyHydrant No 76 was installed in March at Barangay Tula, Alubijid supported by the Rotary Club of Carmen Valley.

Thanks to the Balay Mindanaw DREAM Team for quietly and efficiently carrying out the installations.





Helping in Vanuatu

Many farmers in Australia rely on seasonal workers from the Pacific Islands.

Daniel Toko, from Vanuatu, is one of these workers who has been based in Tasmania.

When some Tasmanian friends told Daniel about the SkyHydrant he could see it would help the people in his village, and the surrounding area.

DAA is currently helping his Daniel and his friends raise money for an installation in the village of Erakor

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