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## ShelterBox Australia Accepted as Interim Member of ACFID

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ShelterBox Australia is proud to announce its acceptance as an interim member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID), marking a significant milestone in its commitment to humanitarian excellence and accountability.

The decision was confirmed at the August 2025 meeting of ACFID's Code of Conduct Committee, where ShelterBox Australia was approved for Code Signatory Status and recommended for interim membership. This recognition reflects ShelterBox's alignment with ACFID's rigorous standards for transparency, effectiveness, and ethical practice in international development and humanitarian response.

"We are honoured to join ACFID's community of respected humanitarian organisations," said Mike Greenslade, CEO of ShelterBox Australia. "This interim membership affirms our dedication to delivering life-saving aid with integrity and compassion and strengthens our ability to collaborate across the sector."

## Global Impact: ShelterBox's Humanitarian Work

In the past year alone, ShelterBox supported over 325,000 people across 14 countries affected by disaster, conflict, and climate change. Working in partnership with local organisations, Rotary Clubs, and international agencies, ShelterBox delivers emergency shelter and essential household items to families who have lost their homes.

- Philippines: Our team in the Philippines will be joined by one of our Australian volunteers to respond to the most recent cyclone and earthquake.\*
- Afghanistan: Responding to devastating earthquakes with emergency tents and shelter kits for families in mountainous regions.
- Pakistan: Supporting communities affected by flash floods with durable shelters and essential supplies.
- Myanmar: Providing shelter repairs and aid following a 7.7 magnitude earthquake.
- Gaza: Delivering vital aid including tarpaulins, blankets, hygiene kits, and water carriers amid ongoing conflict and displacement.

• Cameroon, Syria, Somalia, and Yemen: Ongoing support for displaced families through ShelterBox's global network and operational partnerships.

ShelterBox's work is guided by a belief that no one should be without shelter after disaster, and its approach prioritises local partnerships, rapid response, and long-term recovery. The organisation continues to innovate and expand its reach, preparing for future crises including the upcoming hurricane season in the Caribbean and Atlantic regions.

## About ShelterBox Australia

ShelterBox Australia is part of the global ShelterBox network, a humanitarian organisation that provides emergency shelter and aid to families devastated by disaster and conflict. Founded in partnership with Rotary International, ShelterBox has grown into a leading international disaster relief charity, recognised for its agility, impact, and commitment to dignity in crisis response.

For more information, visit www.shelterboxaustralia.org.au

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