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## Team takes ShelterBox to flood ravaged Niger

ShelterBox team members are working alongside local military, police and firemen to distribute aid in the devastated country of Niger, a landlocked country in Western Africa, in the grip of severe flooding.

The ShelterBox Response Team initially concentrated aid upon the flood hit capital of Niamey, however efforts have now moved east toward Maradi.

Distribution of aid is running very smoothly thanks to the assistance of Rotary groups, local emergency services and the military, who have been instrumental in the relief operation.

Adrian Somner ShelterBox response Team leader said, "The support and co-operation of the local services, Rotarians and the military has been overwhelming and has certainly made for a more efficient distribution use of aid."

The floods in Niger are compounding an already urgent food crisis in the region, as the Niger River in the country's capital reaches its highest level in more than 80 years. Homes, latrines and rice fields have been destroyed, with consequences for surrounding populations.

According to United Nations, the floods are hitting Niger at a time when more than seven million people in the country are already facing severe hunger.

200 ShelterBoxes have now been distributed in the worst affected regions.

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