Our foundations

The assets of the foundations of the German Red Cross (GRC) are an important pillar to fund our work. Besides acute emergency relief, the GRC mainly supports long-term projects that aim to develop self-help in the affected crisis regions and disaster areas. To be able to do this in a consistent manner, the GRC relies on its equity capital.

This equity capital provides us with the necessary planning security. When providing aid, we always leave our equity capital untouched, and merely make use of the capital yield to pursue the goals of the foundation. The goal of our foundations is to provide people worldwide with a stable livelihood.

Donors can help the GRC in two possible ways. One is that we establish and manage a foundation together with you under the umbrella of the GRC. The other is that you provide access to your assets to one or both foundations of the German Red Cross, i.e., the DRK-Stiftung Zukunft für Menschlichkeit (GRC foundation future for humanity) or DRK-Stiftung Rotkreuz-Auslandshilfe (international RC aid foundation). In both cases the government will support your commitment with numerous tax incentives. We will be glad to consult with you about the different foundation models of the GRC, either in person or by phone.

International Red Cross Aid Foundation
How can i donate
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Supporting a GRC foundation

Projects sponsored by the international Red Cross aid foundation

The international Red Cross Aid Foundation - aid for self-help

The international RC aid foundation supports aid for self-help in order to counteract migration in countries affected by disasters. The long-term activities of the GRC strengthen the resilience of the people directly in the crisis regions and enable them to act beyond a current emergency situation.

Sustainability and long-term orientation are the key features of the international GRC aid. This is why the projects of the international Red Cross aid foundation support building organically grown infrastructures that will not only benefit present, but also
future generations. To do this the GRC closely cooperates with members of National Red Cross Societies that work locally.

The foundation concentrates on sponsoring projects that do not profit from the major fund raising projects. This means placing a focus on disaster preparedness and long-term development cooperation. This aims to guarantee people in affected areas a **stable livelihood** and to enable them to cope with future challenges independently.

Meanwhile, National Red Cross Societies have been founded in 190 countries. Thanks to this broad network, the German Red Cross has access to all relevant information in the crisis regions in which it is active. In this way, it can efficiently control its funds and activities.

**Successful projects funded by the international RC aid fund**
Fighting poverty of women in Albania

Large parts of the population in Albania live in rural areas and over half of Albanians live in poverty. Because of their limits in education and their low social position, this poverty applies especially towards women. Together with its sister society, the Albanian Red Cross, the GRC supports women in Albania to fight poverty and attain equality. The Red Cross volunteers and aides work with 120 women aged 18 to 45 years old.
Measures to fight drought in Madagascar

Together with activists in Madagascar, the GRC develops strategies to deal with the consequences of climate change. This includes activities to compensate for lost harvests and to collect enough clean water. To make these activities a success, the GRC supports peasant farmers in adapting their farming to the changing conditions.

How and where can I donate to a project of the international Red Cross aid foundation?

The International Red Cross Aid Foundation is thankful for every donation. Your donations will be spent once every year directly on the individual projects. The donations are also tax-deductible.
Please transfer your donation to:

DRK-Stiftung Rotkreuz-Auslandshilfe

Berliner Sparkasse
Bank no. 100 500 00
Account no. 190446676
IBAN: DE58100500000190446676

Your contact person
How are donations to foundations handled?
Donations to foundations are directly added to the equity capital of the international Red Cross aid foundation and remain unaffected. Once a year, the GRC donates the financial yield of the equity capital to the individual projects. Donations to foundations are also tax-deductible.

Become a donor and strengthen the GRC
If you want to be charitable and make a sensible difference for the well-being of the underprivileged, invest your money in one of the two German Red Cross foundations or establish your own foundation under the umbrella of the GRC.

Yields from the foundation's capital are used for the benefit of the community without any state levies. This broadens the possible activities for our projects and gives you the security to invest your money where it is actually needed. The equity capital of the foundation remains untouched by these activities. Be it that you decide to establish your own foundation or a donation foundation, your support enables us to plan and implement long-term projects. Additionally, the state supports your commitment with numerous tax incentives.

**Establishing a foundation together with the GRC**

You can establish a private or a corporate foundation under the umbrella of the GRC. This enables us to provide direct, long-term, and sustainable support to give people in crisis regions a chance to create their own future. Resting our work on a foundation
gives us the planning reliability we need for our work. If you wish, the legal department and asset management of the German Red Cross can take care of all contractual issues for you. The Foundation Advisor of the GRC will be glad to inform you in further detail about all aspects of the various types of foundations. Contact us to make an appointment.

We can establish and manage the following types of foundation for you:

- Trustee foundation
- Family foundation
- Endowment foundation
- Umbrella foundation
- Hybrid foundation
- Endowment funds
- Trust loans

**Supporting a GRC foundation**

In a donating foundation, you provide assets to the foundations of the German Red Cross, the DRK-Stiftung Zukunft für Menschlichkeit (RC foundation future for humanity) or DRK-Stiftung Rotkreuz-Auslandshilfe (international RC aid foundation). With the yields from the foundations, we can ensure and drive our national and international work. The work does not affect the foundation's equity capital leaving it fully maintained. Only the yields (i.e. interests) are used in the framework of the designated goal of the foundation. The conditions for your donating foundation are very flexible. You can set the timeframe and determine what the GRC will use your money for. Our programme managers and experts will be happy to present the different projects to you or to discuss your ideas. A comprehensible and due status report on your project is a natural base for us. Please contact our experienced legal advisors and asset managers for consultation.