

Statement on Non-Development Activity

ShelterBox is committed to accurately representing its activities to the people we work with, our donors, and the public.

The purpose of this statement is to guide ShelterBox and its partners to make a clear separation between development and humanitarian and non-development objectives and activities. Whilst ShelterBox does not undertake non-development activities, this statement addresses its ACFID compliance obligations (relating to Principal B.1.5 of the ACFID Code of Conduct) when communicating with or soliciting donations from private donors and the public, including fundraising for restricted and unrestricted purposes from aid agencies, sponsors, and supporters, and fundraising from the public.

ShelterBox is a disaster relief organisation that specialises in the provision of emergency shelter, essential items and training needed to support families in the long process of rebuilding their lives. It is a secular organisation and does not engage in or support any evangelical activities and is not linked to any political party.

In some instances, ShelterBox partners with local faith-based organisations on the basis that their delivery is without evangelising or making participation conditional on conversion or adherence to a particular religious denomination. It also partners with advocacy organisations from time to time on the basis that their activities are not in support of a political party or candidate. When sub-granting to implementation partners, all programming activity is subject to a Project Agreement that is entirely related to delivering shelter programmes.

ShelterBox supports and is committed to abiding by the following principles:

- to ensure accurate representation of our activities to the people we work with, donors and the public
- to ensure that funds raised for disaster relief purposes are not used to exploit people and communities who are vulnerable and do not place any conditions or obligations on recipients in terms of non-development, religious or political outcomes that would affect their access to services being offered