

# ShelterBox Canada Awards Shelterbox Hero Status to Rossland Rotary and Community: ShelterBox Canada contributes disaster relief worldwide

ShelterBox is an official project partner of Rotary International. This past year ShelterBox Canada sought aid to support victims of the Nepal earthquake. With the support of rotary clubs throughout Canada and many other donors, over 1.4 million dollars was raised. The Rotary Club of Nelson Daybreak sponsored a ShelterBox as did the Rotary Club of Nelson, with assistance from Interactors attending the district conference.

ShelterBox recently made a few administrative changes. As ShelterBox grows and expands, the logistical and back end work that goes into providing box numbers for every donor is starting to take away time from fundraising for people who need help most. Many donors don't care whether they receive a box number or not. ShelterBox is trying, where possible, to move away from box numbers. To be clear, people can still sponsor ShelterBoxes without receiving a box number. ShelterBox will still provide the option to sponsor a ShelterBox with a box number for people who really want it, but donors are now being encouraged to donate to aid, or where their donation is needed the most, over box sponsorship. The donation options are now:

- ShelterBox Aid (ShelterBoxes, ShelterKits, SchoolBoxes)
- Where my donation is needed the most
- Sponsorship of a ShelterBox (you will receive a box number)

These options can be found on the donation page on the Shelter Box website: [www.shelterboxcanada.org/donate\\_form.php](http://www.shelterboxcanada.org/donate_form.php).

The Rossland Rotary club and our community achieved "Shelterbox Hero Status" by helping send seven Shelterboxes to Nepal this year. We would like to thank all donors and special thanks to JL Crowe students, staff and Rotary Interact for their contribution of \$3098 and Rossland Summit School fundraised \$2240 towards the seven boxes. In the past we have also sent ShelterBoxes to Haiti, Pakistan, East Africa and the Philippines (Tsunami and Earthquake).

