



Rebuilding Homes in the Visayas

Phase I Results

- Immediately following Typhoon Haiyan, LWR began **distributing shelter repair kits (SRKs) to affected families** in the municipalities of Daanbantayan, Bantayan, Santa Fe, Albuera, Lao, Ormoc and Kananga in Northern Cebu and Leyte Provinces. With savings from operational costs, bulk buying and the foreign exchange gain, LWR was able to **distribute SRKs to 23.58% more households** than originally targeted.
- SRKs consisted of **galvanized iron sheets, coco lumber, plywood, nails, hammer and saw.**
- In total, **5,345 households received shelter repair materials.** Based on repair needs, 4,394 households received the complete kit, while others received portions of the kit specific to their circumstances.
- By October 2014, **4,771 households had repaired their homes with SRKs.** Unrest in one of the targeted communities prevented some households from completing their repairs in the planned time frame.

Phase II Results

- A year later, LWR began **constructing permanent housing, called core shelter units (CSUs),** for families still living in temporary shelter.
- The basic 25 m² CSU structure consisted of **steel framing and woven bamboo walls,** which were plastered, painted and **roofed with corrugated galvanized iron (CGI) sheets.**
- **410 CSUs were constructed** on the original sites of the destroyed houses.
- 1,490 individuals, including home owners and local government officials, participated in **trainings and orientations on shelter standards, technical guidelines, and quality and maintenance, as well as on disaster-risk reduction, community planning and the project's complaint response mechanism.**
- Many beneficiaries were **taught basic masonry and welding skills and participated in the reconstruction** of their own homes as well as the homes of their neighbors.



QUICK FACTS

On November 8, 2013, Super Typhoon Haiyan roared over the Philippines' central islands, known as the Visayas, leaving more than 1 million houses damaged or destroyed and more than 4 million people in need of both emergency and permanent shelter.

Lutheran World Relief (LWR) responded in Northern Cebu and Leyte Provinces first with shelter repair kits to provide temporary shelter and later constructed core shelter units to provide permanent housing.

The picture above is of Alycia Suganob's home in Ormoc, which was reconstructed using LWR's shelter repair kits.

LWR has been working in the Philippines since the 1960s, strengthening the resiliency of communities against natural disasters and assisting with livelihood adaptations to climate change.

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