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BSO JOINS FOOD FOR THE POOR IN HAITIAN RELIEF EFFORTS

The Broward Sheriff's Office is teaming up with Food For The Poor to help the people of Haiti after a devastating earthquake destroyed the nation's capital Tuesday afternoon.

Monetary donations are most needed right now and can be made directly to Food For the Poor on their website: www.foodforthe poor.org/haitiquake. Food For The Poor is proud to be able to direct more than 96 percent of all donations directly to programs that will benefit the people of Haiti.

However, we understand that many in the community want to help and might not be able to make a monetary contribution.

Those residents can now conveniently donate specific items at their nearest BSO Fire Station, District Office and the BSO Public Safety Building. BSO personnel will then collect the items and deliver them to Food For The Poor who will transport the goods to Haiti to distribute among the needy.

Due to the damage and destruction in the island shipping is limited to items that are most necessary at this time.

The only items that will be accepted at BSO locations are: canned meats and fish, evaporated and condensed milk, and water.

As you know, South Florida has the largest Haitian population in the country and many BSO employees have families among the injured and missing. The BSO team is pulling together to assist the families of those employees and have set up a link on our website, www.sheriff.org/haiti, where donations can be made. Checks can also be sent to the Sheriff's Foundation of Broward County/Haitian Relief, 2601 W. Broward Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

Food For The Poor is the largest international relief and development organization in the United States, providing emergency relief assistance, clean water, medicines, educational materials, homes, support for orphans and the aged, skills training and micro-enterprise development assistance in 17 countries of the Caribbean and Latin America.

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