

## **The Ball Foundation Expands Disaster Relief Support Worldwide with IFRC Grant**

### **Grant Empowers 190 National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, 17 Million Volunteers, All Ball Locations Worldwide**

BROOMFIELD, Colo., Sept. 28, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- [Ball Corporation](#) today announced a \$300,000 grant to the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, the world's largest humanitarian network, to expand its support of disaster preparedness and relief efforts globally through its philanthropic arm – The Ball Foundation.

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The Ball Foundation's commitment builds on Ball's long-time support of the American Red Cross and will help IFRC and its member societies to more quickly deliver humanitarian aid to people in need. The grant will support the work of 190 National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, including the American Red Cross, empowered by a network of more than 17 million volunteers worldwide.

"Ball operates in more than 100 locations in 34 countries and we are proud to partner with the IFRC to ensure that these communities and others are prepared if they are affected by disasters," says Chris Chavez, executive director of The Ball Foundation. "By working together with the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies, Ball and its employees will be able to make a difference in people's lives when they need it the most."

Ball Corporation and The Ball Foundation have contributed nearly \$2 million in cash and in-kind donations to Red Cross efforts over the past two years. In 2017, Ball also has partnered with several customers to donate millions of cans of clean drinking water for disaster relief victims in North America and Mexico.

By participating in the IFRC's Disaster Relief Emergency Fund and the American Red Cross Annual Disaster Giving Program, The Ball Foundation provides reliable funding in advance of disasters to enable immediate response when disaster strikes so communities are safer and more sustainable over the long term.

"The Ball Foundation's contribution comes at a critical time when we are responding to an increasing number of disasters and health emergencies around the world," said Dr. Jemilah Mahmood, IFRC's Under Secretary General for Partnerships. "We are very grateful for The Ball Foundation's generous support in helping us meet the needs and improving the lives of the world's most vulnerable people."

#### **About The Ball Foundation**

The Ball Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Ball Corporation. Grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations to fund programs that create a positive, measurable impact in four key areas linked to Ball's business and strategy, including: recycling, disaster relief, food security and STEM education.

#### **About Ball Corporation**

Ball Corporation supplies innovative, sustainable packaging solutions for beverage, food and household products customers, as well as aerospace and other technologies and services primarily for the U.S. government. Ball Corporation and its subsidiaries employ 18,450 people worldwide and 2016 net sales were \$9.1 billion. For more information, visit [www.ball.com](http://www.ball.com) or connect with us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

#### **About the IFRC**

IFRC is the world's largest humanitarian network comprising 190 National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies working to

save lives and promote dignity around the world.

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