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Team Rubicon Supporting Cyclone Idai Response and Recovery Efforts in Mozambique

Team Rubicon is the first WHO-verified NGO in North America to deploy an Emergency Medical Team Type 1 Mobile in response to a disaster

DALLAS (March 27, 2019) – [Team Rubicon](#), a veteran-led global disaster response organization, is launching a mobile medical aid operation in Dondo District, Mozambique to provide support to residents impacted by Cyclone Idai. This will be Team Rubicon’s first international mobile medical operation since receiving World Health Organization (WHO) verification as an Emergency Medical Team (EMT) Type 1 Mobile in June 2018.

Working in conjunction with local, provincial, and national authorities, Team Rubicon volunteers will provide mobile medical services to affected communities, including: triage, clinical care, and basic laboratory and pharmacy capabilities. In coordination with the broader incident response framework, Team Rubicon’s EMT Type 1 Mobile will be working to help stabilize the situation, provide medical care in hard-to-reach and remote areas, and helping to monitor for and prevent disease outbreaks.

“Cyclone Idai was a devastating storm that caused widespread flooding and displaced thousands of people,” said William Porter, Senior Manager of Operations Support at Team Rubicon. “We’re uniquely equipped to provide life-saving assistance in these remote areas cut-off from the outside world. We look forward to working in collaboration with the Mozambique Ministry of Health and World Health Organization to minimize the suffering Tropical Cyclone Idai has caused.”

[In June 2018](#), Team Rubicon USA received verification from the WHO as an EMT Type 1 Mobile. Team Rubicon’s EMT Type 1 Mobile can deploy rapidly to disaster zones around the world to stand-up mobile field clinics and provide life-saving care in austere environments.

The expert teams are completely self-sufficient and are equipped with temporary shelters, a robust medication supply, and best-in-class technological support. Team Rubicon’s EMT Type 1 Mobile is capable of providing care for 100 patients per day.

Team Rubicon boasts a 90,000-strong, highly skilled volunteer force that helps communities stabilize and recover after a devastating disaster. Since its inception following the 2010 Haiti earthquake, Team Rubicon has responded to over 325 disasters in the U.S. and around the world.

Through a strong communications infrastructure supported by our cutting-edge technological solutions, Team Rubicon volunteers efficiently and effectively respond to natural disasters and help families return to their homes as soon as possible. By giving military veteran volunteers the opportunity to continue their service through disaster response, Team Rubicon provides them an avenue to gain a renewed sense of purpose, community, and identity.

About Team Rubicon

Team Rubicon unites the skills and experiences of military veterans with first responders to rapidly deploy emergency response teams. Team Rubicon is a nonprofit organization offering veterans a chance to continue their service by helping those affected by disasters, and also themselves. Programs and services are made possible by the support of individual donors, corporate partners, and the dedication of volunteers across the country. To join or support Team Rubicon's mission, visit www.teamrubiconusa.org.

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