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### **President's letter**

#### **Turkey and Syria Earthquake Relief**

Dear Members,

Friends and colleagues have been approaching Club officers to ask how they can help victims of the devastating Feb. 6 earthquake that hit Turkey and Syria. Two devastating tremors of magnitude 7.8 and 7.6 struck the region nine hours apart, leaving about 7,800 people dead as of today. Entire families remain buried under the rubble days after the initial earthquake. Fires have broken out in some areas and rescue workers and locals are frantically trying to reach those trapped in collapsed buildings in freezing temperatures as powerful aftershocks continue. People in the area lack the basic necessities such as food, water, shelter and medical supplies.

If you would like to help and don't already have a route in mind, please consider donating to AHBAP (Anatolian People and Peace Platform), a trusted charity working on the ground to get donations to those affected by this disaster: <https://ahbap.org/disasters-turkey>

Another option is the UN Refugee Agency UNHCR, which is currently providing support in both Turkey and Syria.

[https://donate.unhcr.org/int/en/turkiye-syria-earthquake-emergency#\\_ga=2.12558772.1468704353.1675822367-1402653755.1675822367](https://donate.unhcr.org/int/en/turkiye-syria-earthquake-emergency#_ga=2.12558772.1468704353.1675822367-1402653755.1675822367)

Peter Elstrom  
FCCJ President

## FCCJ 会長からのメッセージ

### トルコ・シリア地震支援

会員の皆様へ

先日2月6日にトルコとシリアで発生した大地震の被災者をどのように支援できるか、友人や同僚が当協会理事会に声をかけています。マグニチュード7.8と7.6の2つの壊滅的な揺れが9時間おきにこの地域を襲い、今日の時点で約7,800人の死者を出しています。最初の地震から数日後、家族全員が瓦礫の下に埋まったままになっています。一部の地域では火災が発生し、強い余震が続く中、救助隊や地元の人々は凍てつくような寒さの中、倒壊した建物に閉じ込められた人々に必死に手を差し伸べています。被災地では、食料、水、避難所、医療品などの基本的な生活必需品が不足しています。

もし、支援を希望される方で、まだ支援先が決まっていない場合は、現地で被災者に義援金を届ける活動をしている信頼できる慈善団体 AHBAP (Anatolian People and Peace Platform) への寄付をご検討ください。 <https://ahbap.org/disasters-turkey>

また、現在トルコとシリアの両国で支援活動を行っている国連難民高等弁務官事務所 UNHCR も選択肢の一つです。

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