



Hyatt 5K raises over \$8K for Haiti

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The Hyatt 5K Fun Run Walk for Haiti -- organized by the Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego to benefit the American Red Cross Haiti disaster relief fund -- raised \$8,225 for Red Cross efforts on March 28, with 135 participants.

"To the fellow associates at the hotel whose families were directly affected by this disaster, please know that all our efforts were for you and the people of Haiti. We will never forget the events that occurred on Jan. 12," said Nathaniel Rhodes, event organizer.

The Race/Walk was held at San Diego Bay, starting on the boardwalk adjacent to the Hyatt and continuing at Embarcadero Park. The total amount raised includes monies raised at the Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego right after the earthquake occurred, when Hyatt associates began donating and being featured on the lunch room's "Donation Wall of Fame."

The 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti on Jan. 12, claiming the lives of more than 212,000 people, injuring 300,000, displacing almost 1,000,000 and destroying the country's infrastructure -- 3 million people are in need of emergency aid.

Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego and its associates have supported over 150 San Diego organizations, contributing in 2009 over \$1 million in cash and services, along with thousands of on-the-clock employee hours as part of Hyatt F.O.R.C.E. -- Family Of Responsible and Caring Employees.

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