



## ABOUT US

### PEOPLE IN NEED

We are a non-governmental, non-profit organisation rooted in humanism, freedom, equality, and solidarity. Our work is guided by the belief that every person has the right to dignity and to make decisions about their own life, in line with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. For more than 30 years, People in Need has supported efforts to build open, informed, and engaged societies, communities that recognise cultural, ethnic, and racial diversity as a source of strength. Today, we deliver humanitarian, development, and human rights assistance in over 40 countries worldwide.

### PEOPLE IN NEED PHILIPPINES

Since 2013, we worked alongside communities in the Philippines to confront the country's most urgent challenges. Our engagement began after Typhoon Haiyan (Yolanda), one of the strongest storms ever recorded. From immediate response, we shifted toward long-term recovery and now focus on three core pillars: **Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery, Climate Resilience, and Civil Society and Inclusive Governance**. Through these efforts, we aim to drive lasting change, strengthen community resilience, and support collective action toward a more secure and hopeful future for the Philippines.

## 3 CORE PILLARS

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS, RESPONSE, AND RECOVERY



### CLIMATE RESILIENCE



### CIVIL SOCIETY AND INCLUSIVE GOVERNANCE

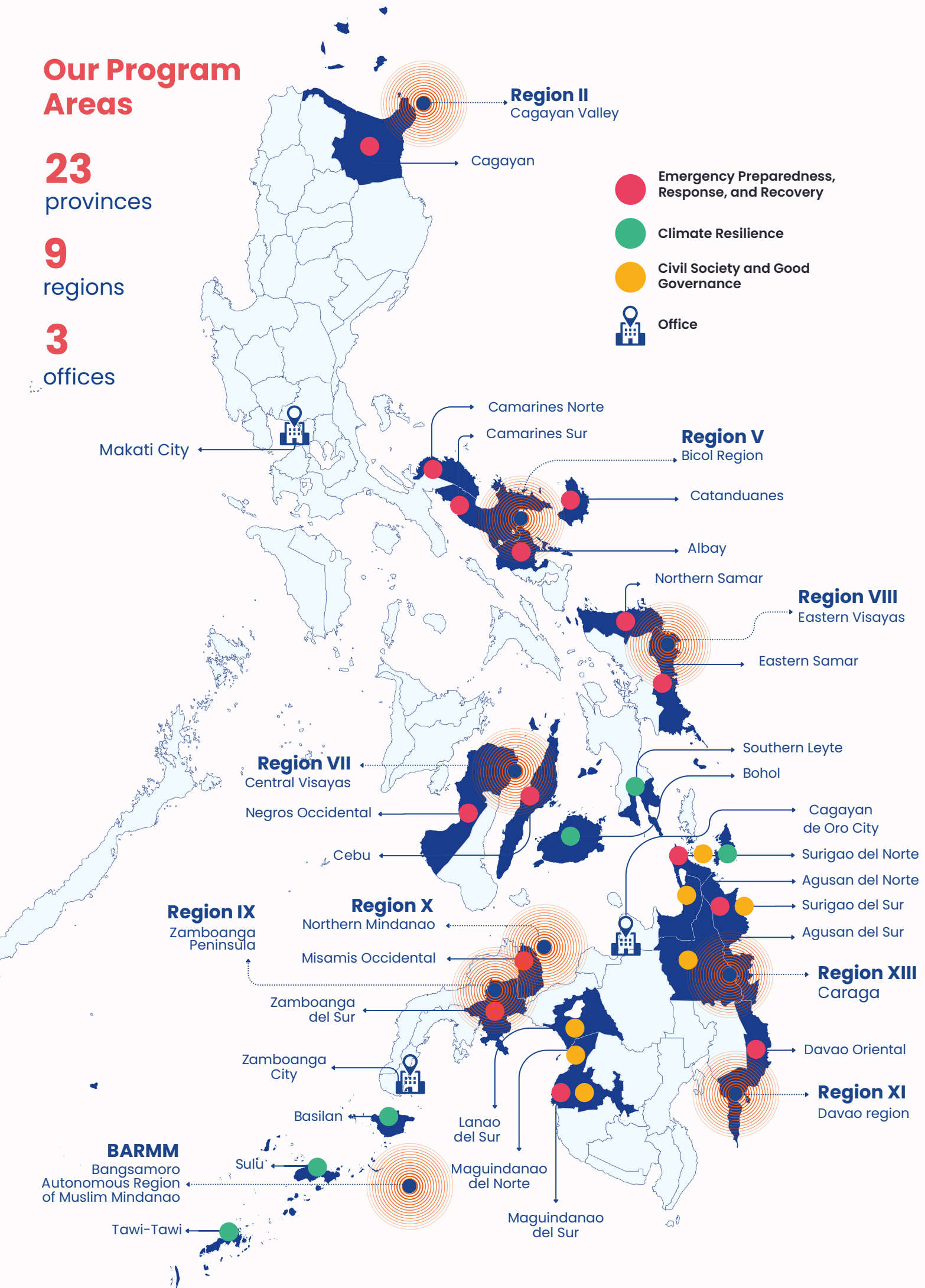


# Our Program Areas

23  
provinces

9  
regions

3  
offices







# Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery



The Philippines experiences 18–20 typhoons every year, with severe consequences for lives and livelihoods. In the past decade alone, these storms have caused an estimated €7.45 billion in damage and taken 12,000 lives. We work to strengthen the capacity of communities most exposed to these hazards. Our efforts prioritise **training first responders in Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) and Psychological First Aid (PFA)**, implementing Education in Emergency (EiE), **establishing community-based early warning systems (EWS)**, and **building practical skills** for disaster preparedness and response. These initiatives aim to help the country become more resilient and better equipped to reduce the impact of recurring disasters.








## Mental Health and Psychosocial Support



In 2024, we provided psychosocial support to **145,897 children and adults** globally.

We deliver Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) grounded in international standards, with a strong focus on community-based, multi-layered systems tailored to vulnerable populations in both emergency and development contexts.

PIN's work is guided by the IASC core principles:

-  human rights and inclusion
-  meaningful community participation
-  Do No Harm, capacity strengthening
-  integrated support systems
-  tailored assistance for those most in need.



## Our Expertise

- Developing integrated mental health and psychosocial support systems across sectors, particularly in education.
- Operating static and mobile MHPSS teams and hotlines to reach highly vulnerable and hard-to-access groups.
- Providing individual and group psychosocial support, while reinforcing community support networks and local capacities.
- Supporting the wellbeing of MHPSS staff, partners, and frontline workers through burnout prevention, self-care, and individual support.
- Ensuring access to PIN's dedicated MHPSS Technical Advisors for ongoing methodological guidance.



## Strategic Objectives

1. **Integrate MHPSS across emergency response sectors** by training staff in basic MHPSS principles, safe referrals, effective communication, and stigma reduction; embedding PSS in education; and upholding protection, gender, and inclusion standards.
2. **Strengthen community support networks and self-help strategies**, especially through Education in Emergencies where child, teacher, and caregiver wellbeing is central.
3. **Promote recovery and resilience through early identification**, Psychological First Aid, and timely referral to appropriate services.
4. **Provide psychosocial support for PIN and partner staff through individual support**, awareness materials on stress and burnout, peer-support and stress-management activities, and training on burnout prevention and critical-incident procedures.



## What we've done over the last 12 months



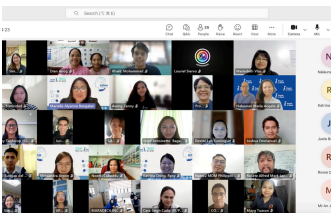
### Typhoon Pepito Emergency Response

Trained first responders, including police personnel, teachers, health workers, firefighters, and LGU representatives, in Bagamanoc, Panganiban, and Viga, Catanduanes, on MHPSS and PFA following the impact of Typhoon Pepito.



### Davao Oriental Earthquake Response

Trained volunteers, including educators to provide PFA in the affected areas of Caraga, Cateel, Taragona in Davao Oriental.



### Training of Trainers with Caraga and BARMM local government units (LGU), and partner non-government organizations (NGO)

- Trained 15 NGOs and LGUs in Caraga and BARMM on the good practices and minimum standards of MHPSS and PFA.
- Developed a comprehensive Training of Trainers Manual covering service mapping, minimum standards, and evidence-based best practices.





# Emergency Response

Beyond our MHPSS and EWS initiatives, we continue delivering life-saving assistance during emergencies, providing **education in emergencies (EiE)**, **shelter support**, **clean water and sanitation**, **cash assistance**, and **livelihood recovery**, alongside capacity-building for local responders.



## What we've done over the last 12 months



### Typhoon Pepito Emergency Response

Distributed **500 food packs**, **300 dignity kits (hygiene essentials)**, **450 hygiene kits**, **500 cash-for-shelter assistance packages**



### Typhoon Tino Emergency

Supported affected communities through **EiE** response by **constructing temporary learning space** to ensure children could safely return to school



## Education in Emergencies (EiE) Approach

Emergencies can create new obstacles to education and worsen existing ones, particularly affecting children. To thrive academically, children need coordinated support from families, communities, and institutions, as well as attention to their overall wellbeing.

We place children at the center of our work by addressing their diverse needs, engaging all levels of influence, and promoting their right to participate. This approach not only supports academic learning but also ensures children are protected and able to develop social and emotional skills in a safe, nurturing environment.

### Teaching and Learning



- Literacy & Numeracy
- Teacher professional development
- Teaching and learning materials

### Support Networks



- Caregiver engagement
- Social cohesion and inclusion
- Systems strengthening and capacity building



### Psychosocial Support

- Social and self awareness
- Relationship building
- Life skills
- Teacher wellbeing



### Physical Protection

- Safe learning spaces
- WASH
- Safeguarding
- Referral



In 2024, we helped

**112,306**  
**children**

access  
education in  
**513 schools** and  
learning centres  
globally.

The approach is used in all PIN's EiE programmes. PIN has been developing its EiE approach since 2012, engaging over 10 years of experience of education in development settings around the world to ensure that quality and overall development are not overlooked in emergencies.



# STREAM-EWS

## Strengthening Resilience through Early Action and Impact Mitigation Early Warning System

**STREAM-EWS** enhances disaster preparedness in **34 flood-prone areas across Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao** by delivering real-time, localised early warnings directly to communities.

This system monitors real-time river water level, broadcasts alerts via SMS and social media in partnership with local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office, Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration, and Smart Communications (PAGASA).



**72 IoT-enabled** flood sensors installed in 12 municipalities



**275 communities** received early warning messages



**55,000 users** directly receives early warning messages  
**120,400 members** of target communities engaged in IEC campaigns



**1,500 stakeholders** from the disaster risk reduction sector engaged



**\$361,000 additional** investment unlocked from other sources



**20 additional areas** for EWS expansion in Luzon and Visayas



## Humanitarian Partnership and Engagement



We work with **humanitarian partners** and **national consortia** to strengthen coordinated emergency response, expand access to hard-hit communities, and deliver timely, principled assistance. Our collaborations are grounded in shared responsibility, accountability, and strong local engagement.



**Consortium lead** for the **Start Fund** under the **Start Network**, working alongside local and international NGOs.



**NGO Co-chair of the** National and Mindanao Inter-Agency **Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA) Networks.**



**Consortium Lead of the Start Ready Floods** project in Camarines Sur



### Local Strategic Partners:

- Balay Mindanaw Foundation, Inc.
- Integrated Rural Development Foundation of the Philippines
- Maranao People Development Center Inc.
- Pambansang Koalisyon ng Kababaihan sa Kanayunan



Active participation in the **Philippine Inclusive NGO Network**

### PARTNERS







# People in Need Global Humanitarian Response



People in Need Ukraine

In 2023, we delivered humanitarian assistance in 26 countries affected by conflict, fragility, and access constraints, including Ukraine, Syria, Afghanistan, DRC, Ethiopia, Myanmar, Yemen, and Armenia, and in countries hit by natural disasters such as Nepal, Cambodia, the Philippines, Ethiopia, Morocco, and Libya.



We supported  
**3,951,087** people

**1,765,316** men  
**2,185,771** women

Our humanitarian work follows a holistic approach:



**anticipating and reducing disaster risks with communities**



**providing rapid assistance when crises strike**



**supporting long-term recovery.**

We have been early responders in highly complex environments: among the first NGOs in non-government-controlled Northern Syria, one of the first accredited by de facto authorities in Eastern Ukraine in 2014, and among the earliest to assist areas retaken from the Islamic State in Northeast Syria. We continue to maintain access in challenging settings such as Afghanistan, Myanmar, Ethiopia, Eastern DRC, Northwest Syria, and Eastern Ukraine.



People in Need set up temporary shelters after the earthquake in Syria.



People in Need delivers assistance to Chasiv Yar, Ukraine.



People in Need distributed cash for winterization assistance in Ghazni, Afghanistan.

Our Humanitarian Unit provides strategic leadership and technical support to ensure principled, needs-based assistance. The team supports:

- emergency start-up, assessments
- programme design
- quality assurance
- fundraising
- coordination
- humanitarian access
- staff and partner capacity development

### **International Expert Team (PIN Global Humanitarian Unit):**

PIN Philippines is supported by a team of international advisors. Our pool of experts brings technical knowledge in the following areas::



Mental Health and Psychosocial Support



Education in Emergencies



Protection



Nutrition-Sensitive Food Security



Multipurpose Cash Assistance



WASH



Cash and Voucher Assistance



Recovery Livelihoods

As a long-term ECHO partner, PIN undergoes regular HQ and field audits, integrating recommendations into our systems.



**Passed the ECHO Framework Partnership Agreement ex-ante assessment and are an accredited ECHO Certificate holder.**