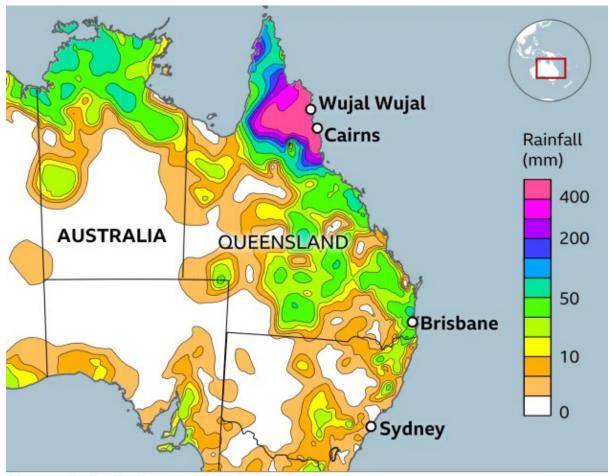
Help people affected by floods in Queensland



Source: Australian Bureau of Meteorology

Over the past week, communities across North and Far North Queensland in Australia have been devastated by torrential rainfall. The heavy weather has cut power, forced hundreds to evacuate, and required the Australian Defence Force to erect a temporary bridge near Ingham for critical supplies.

District 9560 has appointed Rotary member Neil Andrews as District Disaster Coordinator to spearhead the response effort. The district is also supporting the Rotary Club of Hinchinbrook to work with other service providers and partners to provide AU\$500 EFTPOS cards to residents prioritised by authorities as displaced evacuees. The club currently has AU\$10,000 initial funds and District Governor Andrew aims to release a further AU\$5,000 of district disaster funds, with the consent of their Board.

District 9560 also intends to apply for a global Rotary Foundation Disaster Response Fund grant. <u>You can make a tax-deductible donation in Australia to the Disaster Response Fund here.</u>

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Thank you kindly for your consideration and thank you for your service in Rotary!

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