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Army Sustainment Command personnel continue Haiti humanitarian assistance efforts

ROCK ISLAND, ILL. - Army Material Command - Haiti, led by a contingent from the Army Sustainment Command, headquartered at Rock Island Arsenal, Ill., continues to provide humanitarian assistance in support of Operation Unified Response as the island nation rebounds.

Led by Col. Steven J. Feldmann, ASC's deputy commanding general for mobilization, AMC - Haiti has grown in strength to 166 Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians and contractors.

"AMC - Haiti Soldiers and civilians supporting the humanitarian assistance mission have achieved tremendous success providing logistical support - not only to our servicemembers, but also to non-governmental organizations such as United States Agency for International Development," said Col. David Sears, ASC deputy chief of staff for Operations who is coordinating ASC relief efforts at RIA. "Their contributions include repairing mission-critical items, such as hospital generators, communications equipment and large material-handling equipment - all crucial to mission accomplishment."

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Personnel from ASC, Logistics Civil Augmentation Program, the Expeditionary Contracting Command and the 406th Army Field Support Brigade, Fort Bragg, N.C., are on the ground to integrate people and equipment from diverse sources and deliver Army Materiel Command capabilities to serve Joint Task Force – Haiti requirements. With technical equipment experts, contracting specialists and other logisticians, ASC’s team is actively supporting American forces and non-governmental agencies laboring to bring relief to Haitians in dire need of help.

Some of their efforts, both large and small, include:

- Supporting World Food Program efforts that have delivered more than 8.3 million pounds of food to 2.6 million people, serving thousands of families.
- Obligating \$2.7million for 71 contracts, \$1.8 million of which is dedicated to host-nation businesses, to acquire cargo trucks, flatbed trucks, busses, water, and gravel.
- Restoring electrical power to an orphanage by configuring a generator donated by the Dominican Republic Red Cross. The repairs saved the orphanage \$250 per day in generator rental costs.
- Providing training to U.S. Coast Guard on Army supply process.
- Supporting Arial Port of Debarkation operations averaging 91 aircraft landing per day with AMC personnel unloading cargo such as generators, detergent, clothing, and water adding up to 29 million pounds of cargo as of Feb. 17.

“All of us back at ASC headquarters are extremely proud of the accomplishments and contributions of our ASC team members in support this very important mission to provide assistance to Haiti,” Sears said.



PHOTO CAPTION: Lt. Col. Ralph Riddle, 832nd Transportation Terminal Battalion, explains Sea Port of Debarkation operations to Col. Steven J. Feldmann, Army Sustainment Command's deputy commanding general for mobilization. Feldmann is heading-up Army Material Command's efforts in Haiti. (Photo by Eric Vidal, Army Sustainment Command)

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