Comunicato stampa



Fiat Group rebuilds community nursery school in L'Aquila and provides technical support and manpower for emergency response

Following the serious earthquake which has devastated Abruzzo, the Fiat Group responded immediately to provide technical, financial and humanitarian assistance to the population struck by the tragedy.

During the month of April, for every Fiat, Alfa, Lancia and Fiat Professional car or light commercial vehicle sold, the Group, in collaboration with Italian dealers, will donate €40. It is expected that this activity will raise about €2.5 million which will be used to rebuild a community nursery school in L'Aquila giving infants a safe place to be once again.

In addition, Fiat Professional will provide 15 Ducato Panoramas to the affected communities for use as school transport. Significant initiatives are also being undertaken by Ferrari and Maserati.

In close collaboration with Civil Defence coordinators, several Group companies have already made equipment, vehicles and manpower available in the first phase of emergency response. Iveco provided 6 Massifs, three specially-equipped Eurocargos, two Iveco Astras (purpose-built for quarries/work-sites) and a Daily 4x4 with specialised equipment. New Holland offered machines and specialised operators and FPT Powertrain Technologies soundproof generator units to provide electricity to tented camps.

Continuous contact with organisations managing the emergency relief activities will enable a prompt and effective response to further needs which may arise.

Group plants located near the communities hit by the earthquake also sought to make a tangible contribution. The Sevel plant in Val di Sangro and the Magneti Marelli plant in Sulmona provided support for initiatives of their employees and managers.

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