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Build Change Partners with Lloyd's Charities Trust on Disaster Risk Reduction in the Philippines and Colombia

Build Change announces a new multiyear partnership with Lloyd's Charities Trust, the grant making charity of the Lloyd's market, to increase resilience of informal communities in Medellín, Colombia and Metro Manila, Philippines.

(DENVER, October 2016) Build Change is proud to announce a new three-year partnership with Lloyd's Charities Trust (LCT), the grant making charity of the Lloyd's market, focusing on disaster resilience projects in the Philippines and Colombia.

LCT will contribute £100,000 per year over the next three years to Build Change, who will use the funds to build disaster-resilience in urban slum communities in the Philippines and Colombia by retrofitting (structurally strengthening) more than 900 homes. The project will train more than 1,000 builders, create more than 1,000 jobs, and make 4,800 people more resilient to the destruction caused by earthquakes and tsunamis.

In Metro Manila, the project will retrofit 310 homes in informal communities through simple, easy-to-implement changes, with the long-term goal of improving 500,000 homes by partnering with local institutions to take the program to scale. Build Change will also oversee the retrofitting of 650 houses in Medellín as a part of the project. Simultaneously the project will serve to increase the capacity of local stakeholders to expand prevention projects throughout the city, with the long-term goal of improving the resilience of 100,000 homes.

"Lloyd's Charities Trust is delighted to be partnering with Build Change to provide vital support to vulnerable communities in Asia and Latin America," says Chris Harman, Chairman of Lloyd's Charities Trust. "Their focus on building long-term resilience aligns closely with LCT's strategy of delivering sustainable solutions wherever they are needed".

"Lloyd's Charities Trust's investment in prevention and resilience is a truly innovative way of preparing for the future," says Elizabeth Hausler, Founder and CEO of Build Change. "We are so grateful LCT has joined this important effort to save lives and prevent economic losses by building resilience in urban slums in Asia and Latin America."

Build Change is proud to announce this partnership as a part of their celebrations for International Day of Disaster Risk Reduction 2016 on October 13, as both projects serve to increase the resilience of



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houses in the face of natural disasters. Through structurally strengthening houses and putting people at the center of these projects, Build Change and LCT aim to have a catalytic impact and change construction practice for the better, permanently.

About Build Change

Build Change saves lives in earthquakes and windstorms by working with people in emerging nations to build homes and schools that will protect their families and children. Build Change works to strengthen buildings before and after disasters strike in Colombia, Guatemala, Haiti, Indonesia, Nepal, and the Philippines by improving local construction practice and building long-term resilience. More than 25,000 people have been trained in disaster-resistant design and construction techniques and have built over 48,000 safer homes, impacting 245,000 people. Visit www.buildchange.org.

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