

JCALPRO Supports Haiti Relief Efforts

JCALPRO, a premier, full-service production company, specializing in labor and equipment for rigging, lighting, and a variety of production support services, announced today a \$1,000 donation to support relief efforts in Haiti. A matched joint donation was also made in association with The Massachusetts Convention Center Authority (MCCA) and the American Library Association (ALA), which held its 2010 Midwinter Meeting at the MCCA.

Boston is home to the third largest community of Haitians outside of Haiti. "Living in Boston, and especially being a lifetime resident myself, we all know someone who is personally affected by this disaster," stated James J. Callanan, President and CEO of JCALPRO, who also made a \$500 personal donation. "JCALPRO is proud to help in any way possible; every penny is crucial to the health and well-being of those suffering in Haiti."

These funds will be directed to credible Boston-based organiza-

tions that are working towards Haiti relief, with a portion set aside for reconstruction of libraries, in keeping with the mission of the ALA. While the extent of damage to the National Library of Haiti is still unknown, JCALPRO, MCCA, and ALA are preparing to assist in the rebuilding efforts. Work efforts are being modeled after those undertaken during the 2004 Tsunami and projects to rebuild and re-equip libraries following hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

"Several members of our staff lost family in the earthquake," said James E. Rooney, Executive Director of the MCAA. "We wanted to respond with immediate humanitarian support, and helping ALA attendees to respond individually doubled these efforts."

JCALPRO urges Bostonians to come together and make donations in any way possible. To learn more about donation opportunities, visit <http://www.redcross.org/>.