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Reservists deliver humanitarian aid to orphanages in Haiti

JOINT BASE CHARLESTON, S.C. – Reservists from the 315th Airlift Wing are scheduled to deliver nearly 100,000 pounds of humanitarian aid to Haiti this weekend.

The missions, leaving tomorrow, involve two C-17 Globemaster III aircraft delivering donated supplies and a donated well-drilling truck to the people of Haiti. It is estimated that more than 8,400 people from the rural areas in Haiti, including an orphanage, will benefit from the supplies.

The relief missions are part of ongoing efforts by the 315th Airlift Wing to utilize flight training hours to provide humanitarian relief to countries in need, while also providing mandated training for C-17 aircrew members.

Missions like these are made possible by the Denton Amendment, a Department of State/USAID program allowing the delivery of donated humanitarian aid to fly on Air Force assets on a space available basis.

Cargo on these missions include a well-drilling truck, food, medical supplies, school and library supplies as well as construction material.

Since October, the 315th Airlift Wing has delivered 72.1 tons of humanitarian aid to countries such as Haiti, El Salvador, Guatemala and the Dominican Republic.

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Photos will be posted on the 315 AW's Facebook page Sunday afternoon when the crew lands in South America.

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