



# Education For All Morocco

## Earthquake strikes at the centre of EFA

### URGENT RELIEF NEEDED

In the late hours of Friday 8th of September, a 6.8 magnitude earthquake struck the High Atlas Mountain region south of Marrakech. The epicentre was close to the area in which Education For All (EFA) operates six boarding houses for girls.

Five of our six boarding houses have been severely damaged. We are working with structural engineers to assess what we will need to do to get them safely rebuilt and repaired. Almost everything will need to be replaced – furniture, computers, kitchenware, and more.

[Click here](#) to watch a video showing some of the devastating damage to our boarding houses.



The students were away from the boarding houses at the time of the earthquake and we are working around the clock to locate them and confirm their safety. We have a dedicated team at EFA working on this. However, phone communications are down in many of the villages and roads are blocked.

The local villages have suffered greatly: thousands of people have died amid the immeasurable destruction. Many of our girls have lost family members and their homes. People are sleeping outdoors, afraid to sleep in their homes. Villages are in need of food, water and blankets. Many remote villages have still not been accessed. Schools are also reported to be damaged and teachers injured or killed – it's not yet clear when and how education will resume. Global support will be crucial in helping us continue our work and our mission to ensure all the girls have access to education.



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## EMERGENCY FUNDRAISER

Dedicated appeal running on GlobalGiving.  
Please share/give generously:

<https://www.globalgiving.org/projects/earthquake-crisis-appeal/>

## LOCAL ASSISTANCE

If you live in Morocco and are able to help with emergency logistics and transporting relief and supplies, please contact Sonia Omar, CEO, Education For All:

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300,000+ homes destroyed

2,500+ people injured  
2,800+ lives lost

5 EFA boarding houses destroyed



BBC News coverage including an interview with Sonia Omar, CEO, Education for All.



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