

<b>Program</b>	: NetHope
<b>Project</b>	: Ebola Response Program
<b>Time Period</b>	: November 2014 – April 2015
<b>Location</b>	: Ghana, Sierra Leone, Liberia, and Guinea
<b>Project Value</b>	: Over \$ 1,710,500.00 USD



**Professional Staff Allocated**

Barry Kroon – Managing Director (USA)

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Ghana



Sierra Leone



Liberia



Guinea

**Objective :** To quickly and efficiently arrange shipments of donated communications equipment from multiple suppliers in multiple locations around the globe and then ship them to Ghana, Sierra Leone, or Liberia for distribution throughout the Sierra Leone, Liberia, and Guinea areas for the Ebola Response Program.

**Needs Assessment :** This project was an emergency response situation and the needs continuously changed as final details of the equipment donated and their weights and dimensions were determined. There were items at multiple locations ranging from small shipments able to be shipped by courier to multiple pallets containing large antennas and lithium ion batteries requiring special packing and paperwork.

**Equipment & Supplies :** Donated Communications Equipment such as phones, VSAT equipment, and Bgan Terminals, and Tools and Equipment for the VSAT installations.

**Supply Chain & Logistics :** IPA provided warehousing, consolidation, and packaging at their warehouse for smaller shipments that required repackaging to be suitable for international courier shipping. For larger shipments, IPA arranged pickups from over 12 different locations, delivered the goods directly to an international airport location, and arranged the flights and all required documentation to ship the goods on the first available flight. By providing unequivocal service and through cooperation with other donating partners, IPA was able to successfully deliver over 18,000 kilograms of the equipment to where it was needed.

