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# YAG, LIFT and DART join forces for disaster relief

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YachtAid Global, a non-profit organization dedicated to delivering humanitarian, developmental and conservation aid onboard yachts to isolated communities worldwide, announced yesterday that it is seeking more yachts to add their names to a growing list of vessels willing to volunteer resources.

“It’s been ten years,” ,“YAG Founder Mark Drewelow said. “And it’s still an all-



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volunteer grassroots collaborative effort.”

Lift Non-Profit Logistics Founder Michael Rettig said his goal is to work with YAG on how to efficiently inject a yacht, set the parameters, bring the yacht back out without upsetting the ecosystem of a community trying to come back from the devastation that can be caused by a natural disaster.

LIFT is not-for-profit logistics provider for fellow 501c3 foundations that respond to disasters.

“Our goal is to set the parameters and expectations of owners and crew who respond to disasters,” Rettig said. “When you bring a yacht into that mix, they (the community) don’t know what to do with that.”

Disaster Assistance Relief Team (DART) leader and former Navy Seal Grant Dawson, said he hopes to develop a program that will train more yacht crew on how to handle disaster emergencies during future relief efforts.

Yachts and crew interested in joining the cause can contact YAG at [www.yachtaidglobal.org](http://www.yachtaidglobal.org) or [info@yachtaidglobal.org](mailto:info@yachtaidglobal.org) to get involved.

“We reply with a Q and A to end up with how the

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vessel wants to be involved," Drewelow said. "When we see something developing, I do a broadcast message out to vessels in the area."

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*future relief efforts. Dawson is a leader with DART (Disaster Assistance Relief Team) and assists yacht crew as they engage in relief efforts such as the recent Vanuatu post Cyclone Pam in March 2015. From left are YachtAid Global Founder Mark Drewelow and LIFT Non-Profit Logistics Founder Michael Rettig who want to increase the list of superyachts that are willing to help out in emergency relief efforts as they happen.*

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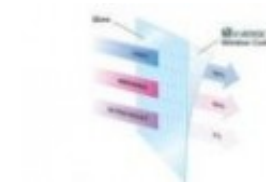
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