Message on Earthquakes in Afghanistan

October 10, 2023

In the wake of the massive earthquakes in Afghanistan, we would like to express our deepest sympathy and concern for our students, scholars, staff, and alumni from Afghanistan. The loss of life is heartbreaking. In the face of these devastating and tragic events, we want all members of the Yale international community who are from Afghanistan, or who have ties or families and friends in the affected areas, to know that we are here for you.

Fundraising Efforts

- Students at Yale have launched a fundraising campaign called, “Be There for Afghanistan [1]” in collaboration with the Ivy League institutions of Brown, Columbia, Cornell, Harvard, Princeton, and Yale. They are working together to raise donations for the victims of the most recent earthquake in Afghanistan that left over 3000 people dead and many more injured, with many still buried in the debris. Learn more on their Instagram [2].

Resources At Yale

Yale has resources in place to aid the campus community in times of tragedies like the current ones.
Any student, scholar, or staff in need of support can contact Mental Health and Counseling [3] at Yale Health, where assistance is available around the clock. The telephone number is (203) 432-0290 during business hours and for urgent concerns after hours.

The Chaplain's Office [4] (Old Campus, Bingham Hall, Entryway D; (203) 432-1128) is also among the resources available to all members of our community.

Of course, our doors at OISS are also open at 421 Temple St or by phone at (203) 432-2305 to anyone who needs support.

If you have been directly affected by these recent events and need assistance from the University, please contact Ozan Say, Director of OISS at ozan.say@yale.edu [5] or (203) 432-2305.

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