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CGC Tampa Makes a Second Trip Haiti with Relief Supplies

Port-Au-Prince, Haiti- Coast Guard Cutter *TAMPA* took part in a second humanitarian relief mission within about a week and a half, again providing much-needed supplies to Haiti's capitol city, Port-Au-Prince, in the devastating aftermath of several tropical storms and hurricanes.

TAMPA unloaded about six tons of food supplies, generously donated by Kids Against Hunger, an international food relief organization. *TAMPA* arrived in Port-Au-Prince on Friday the 3rd to deliver the provisions, and was met on the pier by Haitian relief workers as well as the founder of Kids Against Hunger, Mr. Richard Proudfit, and several members of his non-profit organization. In 2007, Kids Against Hunger shipped over 27 million meals to starving children in thirty-eight countries. *TAMPA* crewmembers offloaded the supplies by hand, and feel fortunate to contribute to a noble cause.

TAMPA first arrived in Port-Au-Prince on September 23rd to offload a shipment of over 8,000 lbs of relief supplies.

TAMPA is one of six 270-ft Coast Guard Cutters stationed in Portsmouth.

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Coast Guard rescues, repatriates 142 Haitian migrants



A small boat with Coast Guard Cutter Tampa crewmembers distributed lifejackets and safely transported 142 Haitians from the grossly overloaded sail freighter Saturday. (USCG photo)

MIAMI -- The crew of the Coast Guard Cutter Tampa repatriated 142 Haitian migrants to Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Monday.

An MH-60 Jayhawk helicopter crew from Air Station Clearwater, Fla., deployed to Providenciales, Turks and Caicos, in support of Operation Bahamas Turks and Caicos spotted an overloaded 50-foot sail freighter Saturday about 12 miles north of Île de la Tortue, Haiti.

The Tampa crew rescued and safely embarked 142 migrants without incident.

Once aboard Coast Guard cutters, migrants are provided with food, water, shelter and necessary medical attention.

The Tampa is a 270-foot medium endurance cutter homeported in Portsmouth, Va.

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