

Humanitarian Evidence Programme: Evidence synthesis on
**humanitarian interventions
supporting shelter self-recovery**

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The **Humanitarian Evidence Programme** aims to:

- synthesise research
- communicate findings
- improve policy and practice.

Systematic reviews will be completed on topics such as:

- market support interventions
- child protection
- water, sanitation and hygiene
- urban environments.

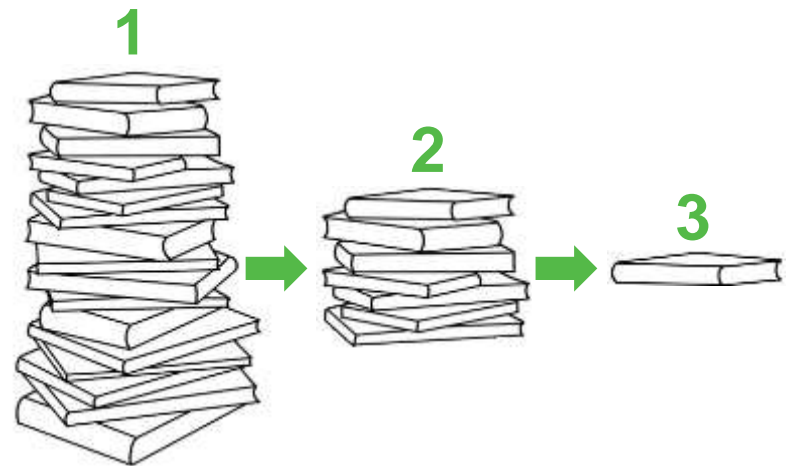


Between November 2015 and July 2016
HFH and UCL are completing a review on
‘humanitarian interventions supporting shelter self-recovery’.

Systematic reviews synthesise existing research

on a specific topic. They involve:

1. collecting all existing research
2. filtering the evidence
3. identifying common findings.

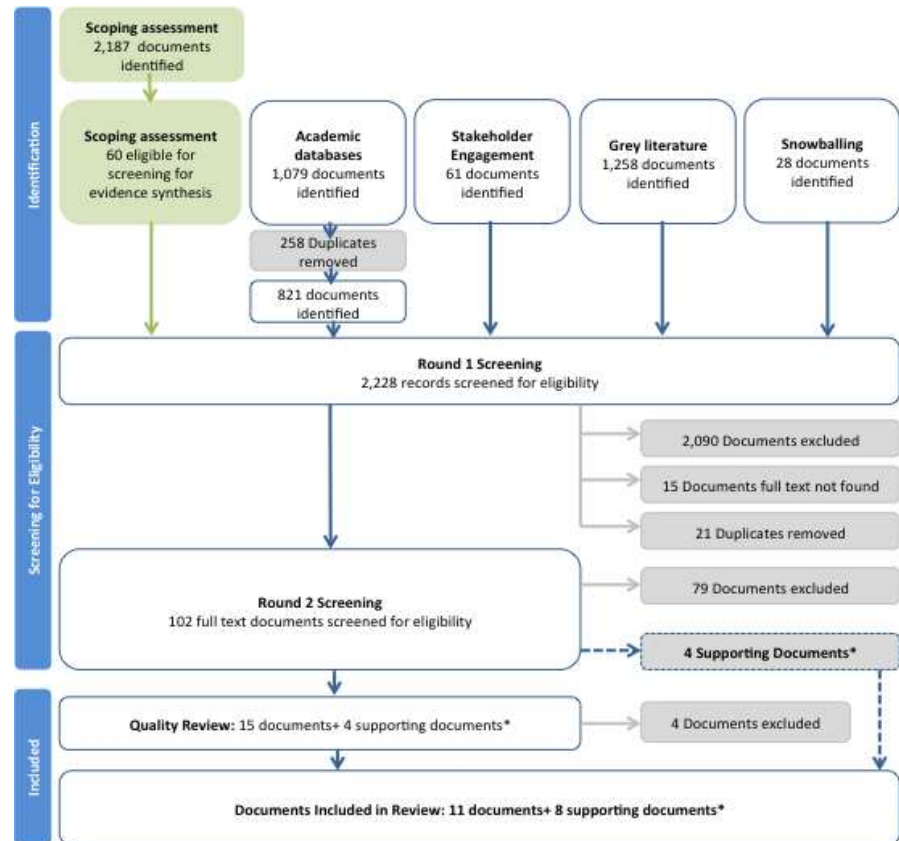


This type of study:

- has not been done before for shelter
- can generate robust conclusions
- makes existing knowledge more accessible
- will highlight gaps in knowledge and topics for further research.

Since November 2015 we have:

1. Narrowed the research focus
2. Defined the intervention
3. Developed the methodology
4. Screened and quality appraised more than 4,500 documents
5. Identified a short-list of 11 studies
6. Synthesised common findings (currently under review).



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Our definition, based on analysis of existing practice, is:

Humanitarian interventions

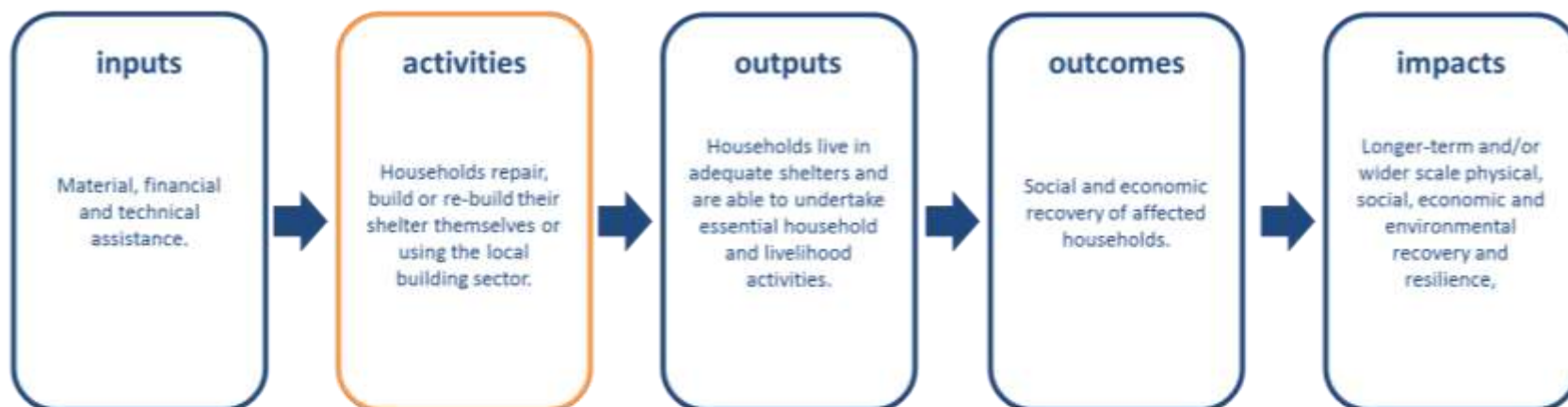
supporting shelter self-recovery:

- provide one or a combination of material, financial and technical assistance;
- during the relief and/or recovery phase;
- to enable affected households to repair, build or rebuild their own shelters themselves or through using the local building industry.

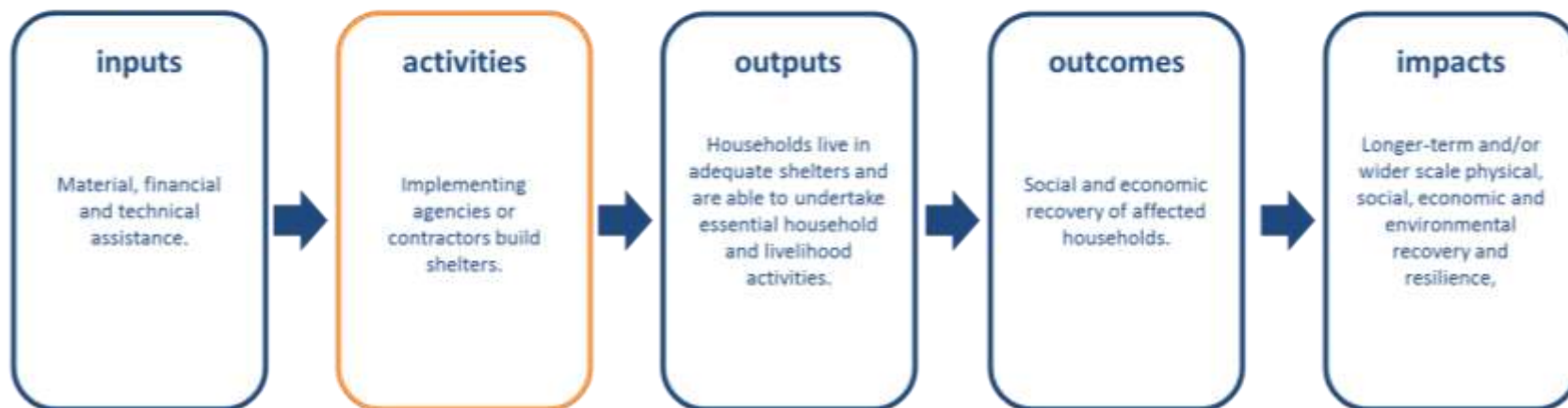
Material assistance includes the provision of construction materials, tools and support for salvaging and re-use of debris. Financial assistance includes the provision of cash or vouchers. Technical assistance can include (but is not limited to) the provision of guidance on construction through training, guidelines or mass communications.

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Support for self-recovery interventions



Agency- or contractor-build interventions



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- ***Risk: Vulnerable households may be disadvantaged as less able to contribute (financially, materially or man-power)***

- ***Risk: Injury or death of households or laborers constructing shelters***

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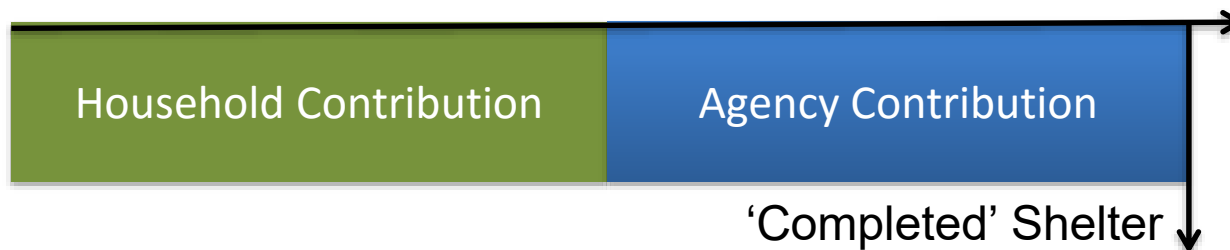
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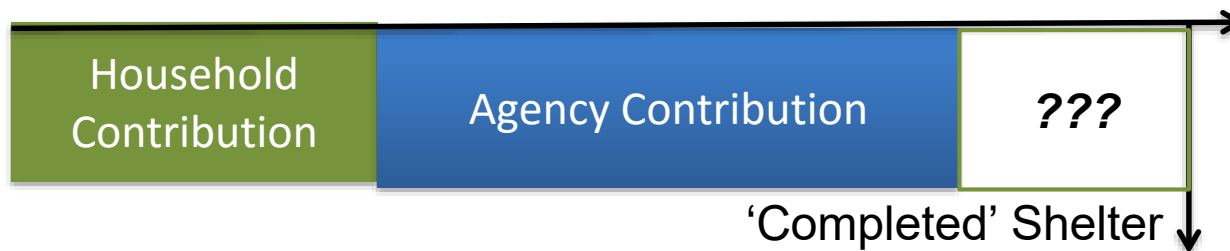


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- ***Risk: Changing government policies (lack of certainty over government policies)***

- ***Risk: Level of stability/ armed conflict***

- ***Risk: Rate of inflation***

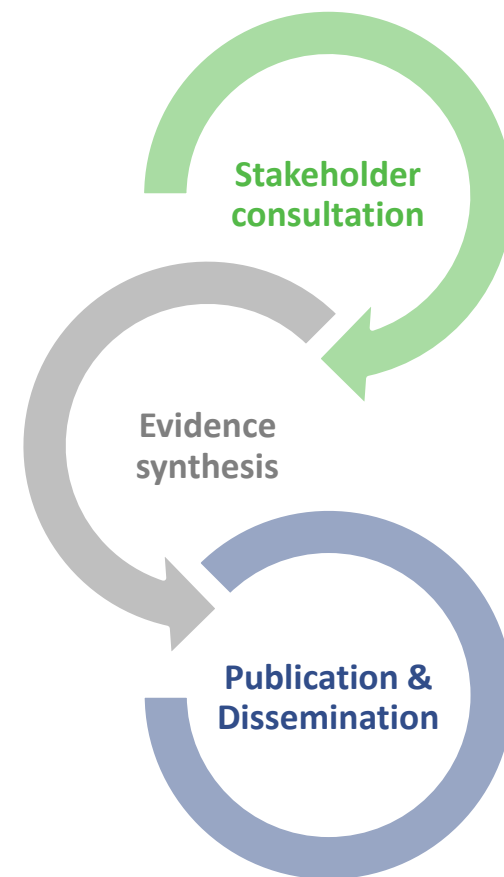
Next steps...

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Our research is currently under review...

In May 2016 key findings will feed into the World Humanitarian Summit. We'll publish the final report in July 2016.



Thank you!