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WaterStep is training local volunteers in the use of simple water purification technologies.

The volunteers will travel to Nepal to train local responders on how to install and use that equipment, helping millions who desperately need clean water supplies.

"We are excited because they are willing to help us and love us, so I have a good group of people with me tonight and we are getting trained. And we are getting some equipment to send to Nepal," said N.D. Lmama, a native of Nepal.

"Our goal is to get purification systems to Nepal and set up a training system like we've done in the past in several disasters, and to be able to help those people that are working on the front lines of the disaster put water in their tool kit," said WaterStep founder and CEO Mark Hogg.

WaterStep is working with Bellarmine University on another new project. They're creating new, picture-based water hygiene instructions that can be used internationally.

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