Canadian Lutheran World Relief

2018–19 GRATITUDE REPORT

YOU ARE HERE

THANK YOU!

Your support of CLWR is a way for you to put your values into action. Your support brings peace, justice and dignity to men, women and children around the world. We are truly blessed to have our in our CLWR family. You are invited and encouraged to connect with us anytime if you have questions about your gifts in action or about other ways you can support our work, including by making a gift in your Will. I love connecting with our donors and volunteers and would be delighted to hear from you.

With gratitude,
Carla Blakley
Director of Community Relations

Canadian Lutheran World Relief

OUR MISSION

Inspired by God’s love for humanity, Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) challenges the causes and responds to the consequences of human suffering and poverty.

INSPIRE

Our work is inspired and shaped by our faith in God’s love for all humanity. That’s why we’re committed to justice, peace and dignity for all humans—because we believe each woman, man and child bears the image of God and should be empowered to achieve their universal rights.

We’re also inspired by your dedication, and the dedication of our thousands of supporters across Canada. CLWR is deeply rooted in the Lutheran tradition, and as a specialized agency of the Lutheran community in Canada, CLWR offers Canadians opportunities to understand and serve the needs of others.

Our work is only possible because of the hundreds of communities across Canada who are deeply invested in our work, from donations and hosting fundraisers, to refugee sponsorship, to being part of our We Care program.

EXPENSES & REVENUE

Each and every gift to CLWR is precious. Thank you for your caring and compassionate support. Here’s how we raise our funds:

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Thank you for entrusting us with your gift. We work every single day to use your gifts wisely. Here’s how we spend our funds:

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For every $1.00 raised:
- $0.75 goes towards Administration
- $0.00 goes towards Refugee Resettlement
- $0.00 goes towards Community Relations
- $0.00 goes towards International Programs

Thank you for your kind and generous support. Your contribution helps us make a difference in the lives of those in need around the world.

YOUR GIFTS IN ACTION!

Thank you for your vital and vibrant support of CLWR. Together with your support, we are creating a world where people live in justice, peace and dignity.

You are here! Your impact is felt in Africa, Asia and the Middle East. And, of course, your gifts also provide critical help and support here in Canada as we welcome refugee families into our congregations and our communities.

Here you are! Just for you, we have created a very special map, sharing stories, voices and the impact of your giving. Your kind and generous gifts are in action providing love and care to men, women and children around the world. Thank you for giving your time, talent and treasure. Your trust and confidence in our work inspire us, every single day.

Yours, in service and gratitude,
Karin Achtensetter, Executive Director

RESPOND

Together with your support and partners around the world, we respond to disasters, conflict and poverty. In every area we work, our response is guided by the voices of the people we serve.

Your support helps us respond through:
- Emergency food and nutrition
- Clean water, sanitation and hygiene
- Emergency shelter
- Psychosocial support
- Refugee resettlement in Canada
- Education
- Protection for victims of sexual and gender based violence
- Specialized health services for women and girls
- Agricultural support
- Small-business loans and financial support

CHALLENGE

We’re working for a world where everyone lives in justice, peace and dignity. That means it’s not enough to deal with problems as they come up. We’re committed to challenging root causes so that no one is hungry, no one has to flee their home, and no one is discriminated against or denied their rights. CLWR places special emphasis on those who are often marginalized—including women and girls.

We’re challenging the root causes of poverty and injustice by:
- Building food security to reduce vulnerability and prevent conflict over scarce resources
- Developing literacy in vulnerable populations
- Building integration between refugees and host communities
- Vocational training and livelihoods support
- Challenging oppressive power imbalances, especially against women and girls
- Helping communities adapt to a changing climate
- Building resilience to reduce vulnerability to disaster and drought
- Advocating for equitable policies and practices in Canada and worldwide
REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT (CANADA)
Thank you for your support, 82 families were welcomed to Canada this year from Afghanistan, Bhutan, the Democratic Republic of the D.R. Congo, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Iran, Iraq, Pakistan, Somalia, South Sudan and Syria.

GIFTS FROM THE HEART (CANADA)
Last Christmas, 6-year-old Summer Mecher decided that she didn’t want a present for herself. Her grandmother showed her our Gifts from the Heart catalogue and Summer was able to choose which gift would be given in her honour. “We were so touched by her generous heart,” said her grandmother. “I hope she never changes.”

EAST JERUSALEM AND THE WEST BANK
Your gifts are providing specialized training to young women and men, helping them launch careers in a variety of trades such as carpentry, electronics, telecommunication and craftsmanship, like pottery. In 2018, 197 students graduated from the program.

JORDAN
When Hisham’s family fled Syria and arrived in Jordan, his school was rundown and no longer meeting the needs of the students. Your gifts helped rebuild the school and Hisham was inspired by the transformation! He taught himself how to make origami and now visits other classes to teach younger students, including kids with special needs, this beautiful artform.

MYANMAR
Khin Mar Hay was one of the millions of people displaced by conflict in Myanmar. Your support helped her access training in tailoring and dressmaking. “This training was one step of my dream. Training gave me an opportunity to develop my confidence. Now, I have a job and can support my family with dignity.”

WE CARE (CANADA)
Thank you to our amazing volunteers who created over 26,000 quilts and baby bundles as part of our We Care program. Your lovely items were shared with families in Liberia, Mauritania and Cameroon.

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC
Civil war has displaced one in four people. In most households, families survive on one meal a day, with women often going without so their children can eat. You helped distribute food vouchers to over 1,200 families in crisis—and the majority were given to women and girls, who face greater challenges to accessing food.

ETHIOPIA
In Ethiopia, your gifts helped build four irrigation systems, which together have given ten communities access to water for their crops. Because of you, 1,521 families will be able to use the new irrigation systems to sustainably farm their land.

D.R. CONGO
“Most of my fellow mothers have helplessly seen their children waste away and die because we cannot afford food,” said Maeria Bumbye, who lost one of her children to malnutrition. With your help, she received nutrition help and also support to help build her livelihood. She started a small business selling local vegetables and purchased 2 young sheep. “[I] will wait for my sheep to multiply, then sell them and buy a piece of land where I can produce food for my children,” she says.

MOZAMBIQUE
When Cyclone Idai struck on March 15, millions of people were desperate for help. Your gifts helped address urgent needs including temporary shelter, water purification tablets, emergency food, and latrines to prevent the spread of waterborne diseases like cholera.