

Formed in 1946 as a response to the humanitarian crisis in post-war Europe, CLWR has grown to focus on building resilience among refugee, internally displaced and food insecure populations by developing programs and partnerships aimed to assist the most vulnerable individuals and communities. One of Canada's most experienced relief and development agencies, CLWR responds to people who are suffering unjust or challenging political, social, economic and environmental circumstances.



CLWR is a specialized agency of the Lutheran community in Canada, offering Canadians opportunities to understand and serve the needs of others.

## MISSION

Inspired by God's love for humanity, CLWR challenges the causes and responds to the consequences of human suffering and poverty.

## VISION

CLWR strives for a world where people live in peace with hope, justice, dignity, equality, united in diversity and empowered to achieve their universal rights to basic needs and quality of life.



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# HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

When a disaster hits a large population, the results can be devastating. Wide-spread conflict and war are disasters of human origin. Canadian Lutheran World Relief enables Canadians to help quickly in these situations by channeling donations to partners on the ground in affected areas.

Emergency relief work is an integral part of CLWR's mandate since its beginning. When responding to emergencies, CLWR's commitment goes beyond immediate needs to helping rebuild lives and livelihoods.