



# ANNUAL REPORT

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## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Humanitarian Coalition's central office is situated on unceded, unsurrendered Anishinabe Algonquin territory. We pay respect to the traditional guardians of this land who continue to nurture it with their presence. We are grateful to live, work and play on these lands.

We acknowledge the painful history of oppression and colonization of Indigenous peoples, cultures and lands in what we now know as Canada. We recognize the ongoing struggle for self-determination and justice that Indigenous communities continue to face. We commit to listening and learning from all First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.

As we respond to international humanitarian emergencies, we honour the leadership, wisdom and experience of the communities we work alongside, and strive to be accountable to them.

With humility, determination and action, we are dedicated to the journey of reconciliation.

Cover:

Elifa Chimpeni, a 41-year-old mother of four, received assistance from **Islamic Relief** in Malawi in response to Cyclone Freddy, which was provided with support from the Canadian government through the Humanitarian Coalition.



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# MESSAGE FROM THE CO-CHAIRS

For life-long humanitarian workers, 2023 was unbelievably challenging as the number of climate- and conflict-driven humanitarian crises was staggering—both in intensity and in human cost. Gratefully, with the support of donors and partners, the 12 members of the Humanitarian Coalition had the capacity and global reach to deliver immediate support to children and families affected by refugee crises, displacements, conflicts, earthquakes, floods and catastrophic storms. Additionally, our presence in many of these crises is still active as communities work to rebuild following disaster.

From Gaza to East Africa to Türkiye and Syria, our three large-scale responses were overwhelmingly supported by Canadians from coast-to-coast-to-coast, along with the generous support of matching funds from the Government of Canada. In 2023 for these three crises alone, we raised more than \$65 million, with \$28.77 million of that from the Government of Canada.

With members positioned to respond in 140 countries, Canadians see us as a trusted partner and support our life-saving work across the globe.

In addition to the three large-scale emergencies, our members also responded to 18 smaller-scale crises with roughly \$10.8 million in programming. The profile of these crises in the media might have been smaller, but the devastation to individuals living through them was equally catastrophic. In total, we reached close to two million people across 28 countries in 2023.

Delivering food and shelter, providing access to clean water and household items, facilitating child nutrition and protection programs, and supporting families with cash assistance to meet their most pressing needs—this is where our members excel in the hours following disaster. With the support of our generous donors, partners, and the Government of Canada, we were able to work with communities to address their most urgent needs.

Together, we stand united in the face of adversity, working towards responding to the immediate needs of children, families and communities in the short term and building resiliency for the long term in an increasingly challenging world.

**Together, we save more lives.**

Andy Harrington,  
Canadian Foodgrains Bank

Barbara Grantham,  
CARE Canada

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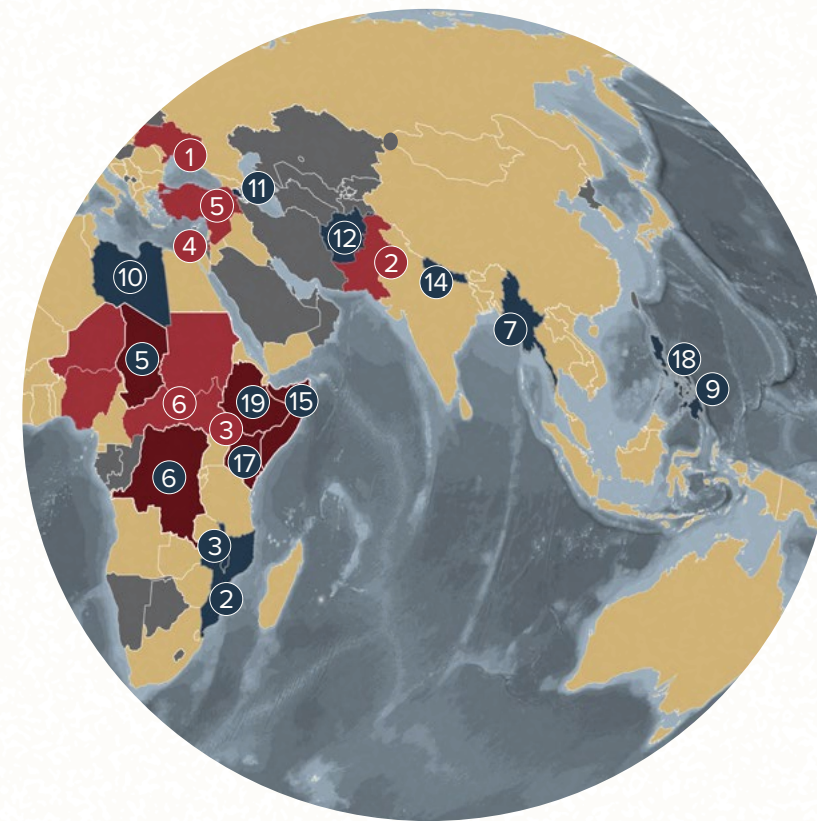
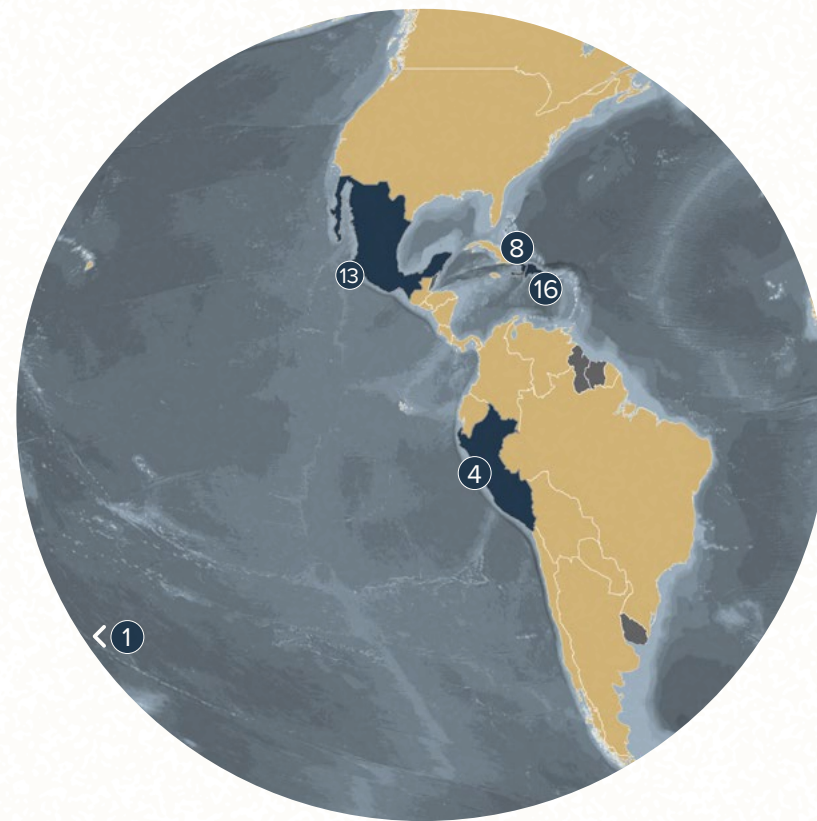






Nadja Pollaert



Disasters strike around the world, around the clock, leaving thousands in urgent need of emergency medical assistance, food, water and shelter. Survivors of natural disasters, conflicts or crises, are living through some of the most difficult moments of their lives. In 2023, we were there to respond as quickly and effectively as possible to the needs of communities across the globe.

The Humanitarian Coalition brings together 12 of the most experienced and trusted Canadian aid organizations in a united effort to respond more quickly and efficiently. Together, our members extend their reach across more than 140 countries, consistently being among the first to respond.



-  Project responses through the Canadian Humanitarian Assistance Fund (CHAF)
-  Countries with Major Appeals
-  Countries with Major Appeals + CHAF projects
-  Additional countries where our members are positioned to respond in case of emergency

# AROUND THE WORLD

## PEOPLE ASSISTED

### MAJOR APPEALS

- 1** Conflict - Ukraine  
**124,720**
- 2** Floods - Pakistan  
**323,667**
- 3** Hunger Crisis - Sub-Saharan Africa (8 countries)  
**278,925**  
Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Niger, Nigeria, Somalia and South Sudan
- 4** Conflict - Gaza  
**797,798**
- 5** Earthquake - Türkiye & Syria  
**1,965,897**
- 6** Conflict, Climate, Hunger - East Africa (8 countries)  
**234,071**  
Central African Republic, Chad, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan

### CANADIAN HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE FUND (CHAF)

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1</b> Tropical Storms - Vanuatu<br/><b>8,471</b></li> <li><b>2</b> Cyclone Freddy - Mozambique<br/><b>33,604</b><br/>Two Projects</li> <li><b>3</b> Cyclone Freddy - Malawi<br/><b>18,008</b><br/>Two Projects</li> <li><b>4</b> Cyclone Yaku - Peru<br/><b>18,162</b></li> <li><b>5</b> Sudanese Refugees - Chad<br/><b>31,039</b></li> <li><b>6</b> Flooding - Democratic Republic of the Congo<br/><b>30,822</b></li> <li><b>7</b> Cyclone Mocha - Myanmar<br/><b>63,574</b><br/>Two Projects</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>8</b> Floods and Earthquake - Haiti<br/><b>10,292</b></li> <li><b>9</b> Super Typhoon Doksuri - Philippines<br/><b>23,070</b></li> <li><b>10</b> Storm Daniel - Libya<br/><b>1,200</b></li> <li><b>11</b> Refugee Crisis - border of Armenia and Azerbaijan<br/><b>3,662</b></li> <li><b>12</b> Earthquake - Herat, Afghanistan<br/><b>18,187</b><br/>Two Projects</li> <li><b>13</b> Hurricane Otis - Mexico<br/><b>15,000</b></li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>14</b> Earthquakes - Nepal<br/><b>10,010</b></li> <li><b>15</b> "El Niño" Induced Flood - Somalia<br/><b>135,531</b><br/>Two Projects</li> <li><b>16</b> Tropical Cyclone #22 - Dominican Republic<br/><b>102,093</b></li> <li><b>17</b> Floods and Heavy Storms - Kenya<br/><b>14,230</b><br/>Two Projects</li> <li><b>18</b> Earthquake - Philippines<br/><b>15,000</b></li> <li><b>19</b> Floods - Ethiopia<br/><b>49,574</b><br/>Two Projects</li> </ol> |
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# GAZA HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY



## THE CONFLICT BETWEEN ISRAEL AND HAMAS HAS CREATED A HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCY.

In Israel, since October 7, 2023, more than 1,200 people have been killed, and around 5,432 people injured.

The latest estimates in Gaza indicate that more than 37,000 people have been killed—including more than 14,000 children—and more than 80,000 injured.

In Gaza, access to necessities such as food, water, fuel and medical supplies has been almost completely cut off. More than 1.7 million people have been

forced to leave their homes to escape the attacks. Many have been displaced multiple times as they try to seek safety.

Hospitals in Gaza have been badly damaged, leaving many completely destroyed, with no electrical service or facing shortages of critical medical supplies. The loss of medical facilities and infrastructure is putting vulnerable people, such as pregnant women and infants, at higher risk. Humanitarian needs are also growing in the West Bank.



## APPEAL

Together with our members, the Humanitarian Coalition launched a fundraising campaign from October 23 to November 12, 2023, to respond to this urgent situation.

All eligible donations made to the Humanitarian Coalition and our members during that period were matched by the Government of Canada. In total, thanks to our supporters, we raised more than \$28 million for the Gaza Humanitarian Emergency, including a \$13.77 million match from the Government of Canada.



## RESPONSE

Despite ongoing bombing and barriers to humanitarian access, our members are still doing all they can to respond to urgent needs. Every day, despite the exceptionally challenging context, Humanitarian Coalition members are distributing ready-to-eat meals and food vouchers, organizing water trucks, working with emergency health units to provide medical services, providing psychosocial and mental health support, and procuring goods to enter through crossing points when possible.

With farming nearly impossible, and severe restrictions on aid and supplies, famine now threatens more than a million Gazans.



## WHERE WE STAND

The Humanitarian Coalition continues to call for an immediate ceasefire and respect for international humanitarian law by all parties, the unconditional release of all hostages and unjustly detained civilians, and consistent and safe movement for aid workers.

We are deeply saddened by the horrific violence that took place in Israel on October 7, 2023 and by the war and violence that followed in response in Gaza and the West Bank.

In the context of this crisis and elsewhere in the world, we remain committed to the four pillars of humanitarian assistance:

- ▶ **HUMANITY** – the first priority of aid is to alleviate suffering by providing support to those in need.
- ▶ **NEUTRALITY** – the Humanitarian Coalition and its members will not endorse positions taken by either side in the conflict and will confine its activities solely to providing aid where needed.
- ▶ **IMPARTIALITY** – aid will be provided to those in need, regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, age and sexual orientation.
- ▶ **INDEPENDENCE** – humanitarian organizations are bound to follow international humanitarian law and can refuse to take part in activities that violate the principles of these laws.



**“My trip to the West Bank confirmed to me the critical importance of Canadian support through the Humanitarian Coalition members. Despite numerous obstacles and challenges, our local partners work tirelessly to organize our humanitarian response. On our end, we continue to call for an immediate ceasefire, the release of hostages, unimpeded humanitarian access, and the protection of civilians caught in the conflict—therefore upholding international humanitarian law”**

Béatrice Vaugrante, Executive Director of Oxfam-Québec



# CRISIS IN EAST AFRICA

## AN UPDATE ON OUR RESPONSE



In 2023, conflict, drought, climate change and hunger put millions of lives at risk in countries across East Africa.

Rival military factions in **Sudan** began fighting in mid-April 2023. The conflict forced millions of people to flee their homes to escape the fighting. The exodus put an added strain on neighbouring countries including **the Central African Republic, Chad** and **South Sudan** – increasing the burden for humanitarian action.

At the same time, three years of drought, exacerbated by climate change, have caused repeated crop failures in **Ethiopia, Kenya** and **Somalia**. The situation then changed dramatically

when torrential rains triggered flash flooding and the drought-damaged soil was unable to absorb the water. These floods destroyed property, killed livestock, and forced thousands of people to leave their homes in search of food, shelter and medical care.

The number of people facing high levels of acute food insecurity in East Africa has now reached the highest level since recording began, including in the **Democratic Republic of Congo** where, for example, a quarter of the country's population are food insecure. Conflict is still the biggest driver of hunger, with 70 percent of the world's hungry people living in areas afflicted by war and violence.



Maryam, cleans pots and prepares to cook a meal for her family at Kaharey internally displaced persons (IDP) camp.

Photo credit: World Vision Canada

## RESPONSE

Together with our members, the Humanitarian Coalition launched a fundraising campaign from June 5 to June 30, 2023 to respond to this urgent situation.

**\$10 MILLION** raised

In partnership with **Canada**

Thanks to the generosity of Canadians, we raised more than \$5 million in June—donations that were matched by the Government of Canada, resulting in a total of \$10 million for relief aid. In the months that followed, these funds were used to provide food, cash, health services, nutrition, water, sanitation and hygiene and protection in Chad, the Central African Republic, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, and Sudan.

## MEMBERS INVOLVED IN CRISIS IN EAST AFRICA RESPONSE






All 12 members of the Humanitarian Coalition took part in this appeal.



Our members are still active on the ground. Here are examples of their activities to date:





### HEALTH

-  **Action Against Hunger** established a mobile clinic in Chad reaching 2,378 children under age five and 395 pregnant women.
-  **Humanity & Inclusion** provided 232 people with physical and functional rehabilitation in Chad.
-  **Save the Children** re-opened a maternal and child health facility and a mobile clinic providing free health services to 1,506 patients.
-  **World Vision Canada** provided consultations for 11,122 patients at two emergency health clinics in South Sudan.
-  **Doctors of the World's** focus groups reached 522 people with awareness messages on sexual and reproductive health and family planning in the Central African Republic.




### NUTRITION

-  **Action Against Hunger** screened 2,698 children at a nutrition facility in Somalia, admitting several children under age five for treatment of acute malnutrition.
-  **Save the Children** screened 878 children under age five for acute malnutrition, and 27 were treated with ready-to-use therapeutic food.



### WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

-  **Canadian Lutheran World Relief** distributed tarpaulins, as well as hygiene kits with reusable sanitary pads, laundry soap, underwear garments, bathing soap, basins, and cleaning buckets to 500 households, and organized awareness-raising sessions on health, hygiene, and psychosocial well-being benefiting 6,070 people in Somalia.



- ▶ **Islamic Relief** procured 800 water jerry cans, 200 hygiene kits, and 300 dignity kits for distribution in Sudan.
- ▶ **Oxfam-Québec** built 25 latrines and showers in Mitché camp in Chad, raised awareness of good hygiene practices through 16 sessions reaching 3,654 people, and constructed a water supply network at the Farchana camp.
- ▶ **World Vision Canada** increased access to safe water in South Sudan for 3,334 Individuals, producing 50,000 liters of clean water.
- ▶ **Plan International** distributed WASH kits to 600 households in Sudan and rehabilitated four water stations in internally displaced persons' gathering sites, benefiting 402 families. As result, 2,672 people now have improved access to safe drinking water and water for domestic purposes at an average of 22 litres per person per day.



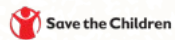
## FOOD SECURITY



- ▶ **Canadian Foodgrains Bank** completed two cash grant distributions reaching 5,920 people in Somalia.
- ▶ **Islamic Relief** distributed cash assistance to internally displaced people in Sudan and to 500 households in Kenya.
- ▶ **Oxfam Canada** distributed multipurpose cash to 690 households in Ethiopia. Monitoring findings revealed that 85% of the cash provided to households was spent on food, followed by shoes/clothes (8%), debt repayment (4%) and medicine (3%).
- ▶ **CARE Canada** registered 2,100 participants for cash distribution, including 800 internally displaced people and 1,300 returnees in South Sudan.



## PROTECTION



- ▶ **Oxfam-Québec** conducted 17 awareness-raising sessions for refugees on their rights, available services and gender-based violence, reaching 3,599 people in Chad.
- ▶ **Plan International** established and equipped five Children and Adolescent Friendly Spaces at five internally displaced persons sites in Sudan. A total of 1,001 children benefited from these spaces through attending various recreational activities and receiving psychosocial support and case management services.
- ▶ In Somalia, **Save the Children** recruited two caseworkers and established the Child Protection Welfare Committees whose outreach benefited 809 people, building awareness of child safety and well-being, child rights and protection and prevention of gender-based violence.
- ▶ **World Vision Canada** trained 100 service providers on case management, including identification of child survivors of gender-based violence and Clinical Management of Rape at Renk Transit Centre in South Sudan.

June 20th is World Refugee Day. It is a day set aside each year to raise awareness of people around the world who have been forced to flee their homes. Last year, Toronto's iconic CN Tower was illuminated on June 20th in the colors of the Humanitarian Coalition in support of World Refugee Day. In 2023, the number of people displaced due to natural disasters and human-caused problems had reached an unprecedented 110 million women, men and children.



## KEY CHALLENGES

Challenges in delivering aid in this context include:

- ▶ **Growing demand.** The demand for services far exceeds the resources at the disposal of humanitarians, partly due to the unpredictable flow of new internally displaced people.
- ▶ **Access to operating areas.** Floods have destroyed or cut off road networks making the delivery of emergency supplies and essential food items to project operating areas difficult. This is particularly relevant in Somalia, but also in Kenya and South Sudan.
- ▶ **Recruiting technical staff.** A short supply of skilled experts, particularly in health and mental health, makes recruitment challenging.
- ▶ **Rising protection risks.** Several members report rising safety risks in the project operating areas linked to conflict and increased displacement.

## HOPE BACK: SAFIYO'S STORY

Safiyo, her husband and their eight children were among the millions of people in Somalia who faced the challenge of a long-term drought that led to extreme hunger, displacement and inequity throughout that country.

The drought killed their 15 goats—their primary source of income—and forced the family to leave their home in Goof Gaduud in the south-west part of the country for the city of Baidoa, 40 kilometres away and home to more than 500 camps for internally displaced people. The trip was made more challenging since Safiyo was pregnant.

Although the camp provided them with temporary shelter, their living conditions were far from ideal. Her husband was able to earn a bit of income from casual work, but it wasn't much. Some days he came home with only the equivalent of \$2, while other days he returned with nothing. It meant the family was often only able to eat once a day.

Added to their challenges was that Ali, Safiyo's eight-month-old child, became ill with fever, cough and loss of appetite.

Concerned about her son's deteriorating condition, Safiyo sought help from a medical centre in the camp supported by **Action Against Hunger**. At the centre, which treats children, Safiyo learned that Ali was severely malnourished and had a respiratory infection.

Fortunately, Ali recovered after receiving comprehensive medical care, including medication and nutritional supplements. Safiyo also received education about infant and young-child feeding practices and hygiene.

Ali was just one of 179 children treated at the centre between September and October 2023 – treatment that resulted in a transformation in their health and well-being.



## FINDING HOME AGAIN: ANGELA'S JOURNEY

Angela wakes up early every morning and hopes to find work that day. She sets out from Tumbwe village in the east of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and journeys across the hills, walking for an hour to arrive at farms where she might be allocated a small plot of land to work, and receive a bit of money, or vegetables and cassava flour, for her work.

In Tumbwe, she is far from home. Angela's journey here has been perilous – she fled her Bantu village when communal violence broke out with a neighbouring community in the Democratic Republic of Congo's Tanganyika province.

A sympathetic local chief welcomed Angela and her community to Tumbwe village, allocating them a plot of land where they might put up makeshift shelters. However, the transition to this new reality has been marred by immense challenges, including constant hunger and a lack of necessities, including clothing.

Since their arrival, the displaced families have been struggling to secure sustenance and safe shelter, with families huddled together in makeshift shelters that offer little respite from the elements, including the risk of fire and rain.

The women of the community endure grueling hours of labour in neighbouring fields, earning small sums that barely

suffice to feed their families. Many go days without a proper meal, subsisting on meagre rations of boiled cassava leaves or whatever scant provisions they can find.

With support from the Government of Canada through the Humanitarian Coalition, **World Vision Canada** is registering malnutrition cases that will be referred to the nearest health centres for treatment in collaboration with a nutrition partner working in this area. **World Vision Canada** has trained the community on infant and young-child feeding and selected a committee which has been trained and oversees the screening and registration of the cases.

Despite the immense challenges faced by Angela and her community in Tumbwe village, with the support from organizations like World Vision Canada and the Government of Canada, there are pathways to eliminating hunger.



Angela displays her vegetables for the evening meal.



## AFTER THE EARTHQUAKES:

### OVERVIEW OF OUR RESPONSE IN TÜRKIYE AND SYRIA



On February 6, 2023, two powerful earthquakes struck southern Türkiye near the border of northwest Syria with devastating impact. More than 50,000 people were killed, more than 100,000 injured and millions displaced. In Syria, where people had already endured 12 years of conflict and displacement, the earthquake compounded an existing humanitarian crisis. At least 8.8 million people in that country were affected by the earthquakes, with about 6,000 killed, more than 12,000 injured and more than 100,000 households displaced. More than 10,000 buildings were completely or partially destroyed.



## APPEAL

In response to the needs of the communities affected by the earthquakes, the Humanitarian Coalition launched a national fundraising appeal from February 6 to February 24, 2023.

Together with our members, and thanks to the generous contributions of Canadians from coast to coast to coast, we raised more than \$15 million.

On February 24, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced that the Government of Canada would match the donations to the Humanitarian Coalition and its members up to \$10 million, bringing our total funds raised to \$25 million.

**\$25 MILLION**  
raised





## MEMBERS INVOLVED IN TÜRKIYE AND SYRIA RESPONSE

All 12 members of the Humanitarian Coalition took part in this appeal.



Humanitarian Coalition members responded to the urgent humanitarian needs of more than 1.9 million earthquake-affected people in northwest Syria and Türkiye. Some highlights of member activities include:



### HEALTH



▶ **Action Against Hunger** improved access to essential health services for 33,033 earthquake-affected individuals, providing 11 primary healthcare facilities in two health districts with medicines, training health workers on infectious disease surveillance, and distributing 1,000 cholera kits.



▶ **Humanity & Inclusion** provided 4,499 assistive and mobility devices to injured people and people with disabilities receiving physical and functional rehabilitation care.



▶ **Doctors of the World** conducted 79,628 consultations in primary health care, mental health and psycho-social support, and sexual and reproductive health consultations. The project also trained 16 community health workers in nutrition and infant and young-child feeding in emergencies.



### WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)



▶ **Canadian Lutheran World Relief** improved the hygiene and health of 5,930 people by providing essential hygiene kits to 2,700 individuals, and dignity kits to 1,700 women.



▶ **Oxfam Canada** improved safe and dignified access to adequate WASH services for earthquake-affected individuals to protect them from public health risks. Water quality analysis ensured the quality and safety of drinking water for 61,107 individuals. A rehabilitated water tank ensured clean and safe access to water for 20,275 people. Sewage and water network pipeline repairs improved health and sanitation conditions for 24,570 people.



▶ **World Vision Canada** provided a total of 281,073 m<sup>3</sup> of sterilized water through water trucking to 73 sites, providing 35 litres per person per day, reaching a total of 57,862 people. World Vision Canada also distributed 1,276 water tanks with a capacity of 500 liters to 48 sites reaching 12,783 individuals, installed 436 latrines in 54 sites and carried out maintenance work on a total of 86 septic tanks across 19 camps, reaching 8,967 individuals.



### FOOD SECURITY



▶ **Canadian Foodgrains Bank** stabilized or increased immediate consumption of nutritious food by providing 1,600 households with monthly food baskets for nine months. The food baskets consisted of pasta, lentils, vegetable oil, sugar, tea, tomato paste, olive oil, sesame seeds, and canned chicken. The percentage of households with a poor food consumption score fell from 71% to 22% and those with an acceptable score improved from 10% to 48%.



### SHELTER AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS



▶ **CARE Canada** increased access to safe and sufficient shelter and living conditions by fixing access roads, insulating tents, and raising tent foundations in two internally displaced persons' camps, benefiting 1,245 people. The project also provided cash-for-shelter support to 130 households which enabled the rehabilitation of their shelters. Focus areas included fixing structural damages, installing doors and windows, and upgrading hygiene and WASH facilities to ensure safe, accessible housing for all.



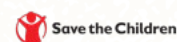
▶ **Islamic Relief** increased accessibility to essential non-food items for people living in internally displaced persons camps by distributing 4,325 solar panel kits to 3,743 households across 12 newly established camps. Solar panel kits are especially useful given the majority of camps and reception centres in Northwest Syria are not connected to the electricity grid.



▶ **Plan International** increased access to hygiene, cleaning and sanitation items by distributing hygiene kits to 25,771 people, and 50 shelter cleaning kits to 25 collective shelters, reaching 3,691 people. Cleaning kits included a broom, a floor wiper, a mop, floor cleaning solution, disinfecting bleach, and more. Also, customized dignity kits were distributed to 384 individuals across three collective shelters, containing items like underwear for children and menstrual pads.



### CASH ASSISTANCE



▶ **Save the Children** increased access to life-saving services by providing 1,315 households with multi-purpose cash assistance, reaching 6,611 individuals. Post-distribution monitoring showed that the top four categories that individuals spent cash on were food, hygiene items, medical items and household non-food items (cooking material, containers for water).



#### Usama Khan in Antakya

Usama Khan, Executive Director of Islamic Relief, a member of the Humanitarian Coalition, visited Türkiye (in Antakya) a month after devastating earthquakes shook the city. In a video (available on our YouTube channel), he describes what he saw during his visit, and highlights how members of the Humanitarian Coalition are responding on the ground.

## BASIMA'S JOURNEY AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE

After the February 2023 earthquake hit northern Syria, Basima and her family faced tough times. Their home was damaged, and they had to live outdoors or wherever they could find shelter. Although their building was still standing, they were scared to go back inside. But eventually, they had no choice.

Further, her husband's workplace suffered damage, resulting in a reduction in the household's income. It got to a point where they struggled to find enough food for their children, who had special dietary needs.

Their situation seemed bleak until they received assistance from the **Canadian Foodgrains Bank**, with the support of the Canadian government through the Humanitarian Coalition. Through this aid, provided by the Mennonite Central Committee, they received nutritious food and hygiene items, including diapers for the children. Now, they can eat three meals a day, a relief after months of uncertainty. Basima is thankful for the assistance that's helping them get through each day. "This support is a lifeline for us in these challenging times," she expressed gratefully.



## REEMA'S RECOVERY

"I was reborn." That's what 14-year-old Reema of Syria said after receiving a new prosthetic leg thanks to support from the Canadian government through Humanitarian Coalition member **Humanity & Inclusion**.

Reema was trapped underneath the rubble of her demolished home in Jenderis after the earthquakes struck northern Syria in February 2023. After being rescued, she was rushed to the hospital where one of her legs was amputated below the knee.

After receiving medical care and intensive rehabilitation, she got a new lower leg. The first time she used it, Reema realized she was at the start of a new life where she could achieve her dreams. "It is an indescribable feeling that I was finally able to return to school," she said. "I was reborn."

Despite all the challenges she has faced, today Reema gets around without any limitations—thanks to the new leg, and also to the psychosocial support she received from **Humanity & Inclusion**.



## SPOTLIGHT ON WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE



A commonly used acronym in the development and humanitarian sector is WASH. It stands for: Water, Sanitation and Hygiene.

Water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) is one of the main sectors of humanitarian aid, alongside food assistance, nutrition, health, protection and shelter.

Providing access to safe drinking water in sufficient quantities is essential in emergencies and crises. Basic sanitation and hygiene education are important for a healthy living environment.



### FACTS AND FIGURES

- ▶ Access to WASH is still limited worldwide: 2.2 billion people still live without safely managed drinking water. (WHO/UNICEF, 2023)
- ▶ Inadequate WASH is a major killer: Unsafe water, sanitation and hygiene are responsible for the deaths of around 1,000 children under age five every day. (WHO, 2023)
- ▶ According to the World Bank, hygiene promotion is the most cost-effective health intervention. (World Bank, 2016)

### EXAMPLES OF WASH ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

- ▶ Installing safe washroom facilities and latrines in displacement camps
- ▶ Distributing gender-sensitive and age-appropriate hygiene and dignity kits to families
- ▶ Providing access to drinking water through trucking, piping and water treatment units
- ▶ Conducting training on healthy hygiene practices and menstrual hygiene awareness

### WHAT'S IN A HYGIENE KIT?

Hygiene kits typically include reusable sanitary pads, laundry soap, underwear garments, bathing soap, basins and cleaning buckets.



## PREVIOUS APPEALS THAT CLOSED IN 2023

# PAKISTAN FLOODS 2022:

## OUR RESPONSE IN REVIEW



Starting in mid-June 2022, Pakistan experienced three times the average annual rainfall, resulting in floods throughout much of the country. The floods affected 33 million people, killed more than 1,400 people, displaced 7.9 million people, and damaged or destroyed about two million houses, 13,094 km of roads and 410 bridges. Overall, 6.4 million people were in need of humanitarian assistance.

## OVERVIEW OF OUR RESPONSE

In response to the needs of the communities affected by the flooding, and the desire of Canadians to help, the Humanitarian Coalition launched a national fundraising appeal from September 13 to September 28, 2022. Canadians responded generously, raising more than \$15 million, including a matching grant of \$7.5 million from the Government of Canada.



Using these funds, Humanitarian Coalition members planned and implemented projects to address unmet humanitarian needs in the hardest hit areas of Pakistan. These projects helped save lives, alleviate suffering and maintain dignity among vulnerable communities in flood-affected areas.

In total, Humanitarian Coalition member agencies responded to the humanitarian needs of 323,667 people in Sindh, Punjab, Baluchistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa provinces.



## MEMBERS INVOLVED IN PAKISTAN FLOOD RESPONSE

9 out of 12 Humanitarian Coalition members were involved in our humanitarian response in Pakistan:



## RESULTS

A small selection of highlights of member activities include:



### HEALTH

- ▶ 545 children under age five were screened and treated for Severe Acute Malnutrition.
- ▶ 2,065 people received sessions on nutrition and infant feeding practices.
- ▶ Two flooded healthcare facilities supporting more than 60,000 people were repaired.
- ▶ 36 mobile health camps were set up to assist 11,038 people.
- ▶ 4,750 mosquito nets were distributed.
- ▶ 24,968 individuals were provided with protection from water-borne diseases.
- ▶ 22,784 people received medical consultations.



### WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

- ▶ 2,000 dignity kits were given to adolescent girls (menstrual pads, bath soap, multiple pairs of underwear, detergent powder, toothpaste, a toothbrush, a comb).
- ▶ 600 households received latrine kits, benefiting 3,885 people.
- ▶ 5,000 households received emergency hygiene kits, benefitting 26,365 people.
- ▶ 4,750 households received improved access to basic hygiene, safe drinking water, and sanitation facilities.
- ▶ 43 latrines were constructed for 5,478 beneficiaries.
- ▶ 24,968 individuals from 4,750 households gained access to safe drinking water.



### PROTECTION

- ▶ 3,335 households with 20,710 individuals received winterization kits to withstand severe winter conditions (blankets, quilts, tarpaulin sheets, floor mats, shawls, socks).
- ▶ 16 child-friendly spaces were created for about 1,760 children.
- ▶ 1,677 children were trained about child protection, health and hygiene, child sexual abuse.
- ▶ Four women-child-friendly spaces were created for 1,053 children and women.
- ▶ 2,100 women and girls were engaged in different events to promote safe spaces.



## LIVELIHOODS

- ▶ 8,485 affected households received multi-purpose cash assistance.
- ▶ 2,201 people received access to basic farming livelihood packages and essential emergency items.
- ▶ 1,780 agriculture and livestock kits were provided to help households rejuvenate agricultural activities post-flood, benefitting 8,398 people.
- ▶ 2,000 households received emergency non-food item kits (water containers, kitchen supplies).
- ▶ 6,025 individuals (1,000 households) benefitted from livestock vaccination support.



## FOOD SECURITY

- ▶ 6,625 households received four rounds of cash transfers; 62% of these households were headed by women.
- ▶ 1,000 nutritional supplements/meal replacements were provided for two months.



## SHELTER AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

- ▶ 3,918 shelter and winterization kits reached 21,111 individuals.
- ▶ 57 semi-permanent shelters were built in the targeted villages of Badin to house 349 individuals.

## RESTORED MOBILITY: MUHAMMAD'S STORY

After surviving devastating floods in Pakistan, Muhammad found himself stranded without his wheelchair. With assistance from **Islamic Relief**, he received a new one, restoring his mobility and independence amidst adversity.



Altogether, 5,653 people with disabilities were helped by Islamic Relief. This included providing 200 assistive devices like wheelchairs.

Now, Muhammed can get around again—something he appreciates since, after his other wheelchair was damaged in the flood, he spent all day in bed unable to move. Now he can use his new wheelchair to get around by himself or with assistance from others.



Muhammad with his siblings and cousins

## I WAS WORRIED FOR MY CHILDREN: SHAHEEN BIBI'S TESTIMONY

When catastrophic floods hit the Charsadda district in Pakistan last year, the water severely damaged Shaheen Bibi's home in the village of Kharakai.

Two rooms in the house collapsed. Two other rooms remained standing, but the family of seven—Shaheen and her husband, mother-in-law and four children—were afraid they would collapse, too. Unable to live in their house, they found shelter with another family.

"I was really worried as all four of my children became quite sick and I had no money to buy medicine for them," Shaheen said. "But then I heard that a medical team was near us and providing free check-ups and medicines. I went

there for seeking help for my children. The staff was very kind."

Humanitarian Coalition member **Doctors of the World** provided assistance to people like Shaheen in Charsadda district. Through them, Shaheen was able to visit a doctor and get medicine for her children for free and get a checkup of her own. In addition to the check-up, she was able to get birth control advice and injections for her health and the benefit of the family.



## BETTER DAYS AHEAD: SAIFOORA'S GOAT

"No matter how challenging the circumstances are, you have to fight for your living and I had to do so for my children."

That's what Safoora, 35, said about how she dealt with flooding in Pakistan that damaged her home in Pakistan in 2022.

When the water suddenly began to rise, the mother of four quickly got her family out of the house. With nowhere else to go — the entire village was flooded — they found safety on an elevated pathway. "We had to wade through the water," said Safoora, adding "they were such difficult times. We had nothing to protect ourselves with."

With her home and belongings destroyed by the water, Safoora received a cash grant of PKR 25,000 (about \$120 CAD) from **Oxfam Canada**, with support from the Humanitarian Coalition. "That money was a big support," she said, noting she spent some for medicine and the rest to buy essential items for her children.

She also bought a baby goat as an investment for the future. "My children who had lost everything to floods



play with it all the time," she said. "I plan to sell the goat when it grows older. It will give us more revenue to build on."

Safoora was one of many people in Pakistan who received assistance from Oxfam's partner-led emergency response. In addition to giving people cash, Oxfam provided winter kits, shelters, and dignity and hygiene kits.



# HUNGER CRISIS 2022

In 2022, the world was facing the worst hunger crisis in decades due to a combination of conflict, climate shocks including drought, economic consequences due to COVID-19, and the war in Ukraine.

In August 2022, nearly 828 million people were going hungry each day and almost 50 million people were on the brink of famine. Of all regions of the world, Sub-Saharan Africa had the greatest number of people living in extreme poverty and approximately 24% of the population in this region was undernourished.



## OUR RESPONSE IN REVIEW

Members of the Humanitarian Coalition therefore decided to launch a national fundraising appeal on June 24, 2022, supported by a \$5 million matching fund from the Government of Canada. By July 17, a total of \$10.3 million had been raised thanks to the generosity of Canadians.

**African Republic (CAR), the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Ethiopia, Kenya, Niger, Nigeria, Somalia and South Sudan.** These countries had been identified as having large populations living in hunger hotspots.

By the conclusion of our humanitarian response, a total of 278,925 crisis-affected people benefited from projects across the eight different countries.

Eleven of our members planned and implemented urgent humanitarian responses in the **Central**

## CARE IN ACTION

In Yobe State, Northeast Nigeria, conflict has severely impacted the lives of many people, including Fatima Ibrahim, a 33-year-old mother of seven. Forced to flee from their farming town of Gaidam after an attack in March 2021, Fatima and her family now live in the Lawanti community of Yusufari, facing food insecurity and malnutrition.



Fatima attending a nutrition session moderated by a CARE worker.

Fatima's family struggles with limited resources, often skipping meals and dealing with the stress of uncertain food supplies. As a result, her 18-month-old son suffered from nutrient deficiencies, highlighting their daily challenges.

of people affected by the conflict. CARE also provided vulnerable families with cash assistance and hygiene kits.

To support families like Fatima's, **CARE Canada** and its local partners, with help from the Humanitarian Coalition, provided food relief packages and weekly feeding counseling for mothers with infants and young children. These efforts aim to address immediate needs and improve overall health, respecting the dignity

"My son Muhammad's nutritional status has improved greatly...I want to say thank you to CARE for your assistance." - Fatima



## FOOD AND NUTRITION

- ▶ Distribution of food baskets, emergency cash/vouchers, improving the nutritional status of children under age five through special nutrition interventions.



## CASH ASSISTANCE

- ▶ Distribution of multi-purpose cash transfers or vouchers to allow vulnerable families to respond to their basic needs.



## WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

- ▶ Distribution of hygiene kits, rehabilitation of water sources, hygiene and sanitation awareness and education.



## PROTECTION

- ▶ Child protection and gender-based violence risk mitigation, awareness-raising on child protection and gender-based violence.



## HEALTH

- ▶ Emergency health care and primary health care, mental health and psychosocial support, mobile units to offer consultations, capacity-building of community-based health facilities and community-based health structures to address malnutrition.



## LIVELIHOODS

- ▶ Increased access to essential agricultural inputs (distribution of food crops to farmers).

# UKRAINE CRISIS

## LOOKING BACK AT OUR HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

Since the escalation of the Ukraine conflict on February 24, 2022, Ukrainians have faced widespread violence, destruction of their communities and displacement from their cities. As a result of the hostilities, it was estimated that at least 17.6 million people were in urgent need of humanitarian assistance, including almost eight million people who fled to nearby countries, and six million people who left their homes but stayed within Ukraine.

The conflict has negatively impacted people's ability to access food, resulting in a food security crisis, especially in oblasts (administrative regions) with active fighting and/or high numbers of displaced people.

To respond to the needs of children and families in Ukraine and neighbouring countries like Romania, Moldova and Poland, the Humanitarian Coalition and its members appealed to the generosity of the Canadian public and launched a joint appeal in February 2022.

The Humanitarian Coalition's joint appeal for Ukraine ran from February 28 – March 20, 2022, raising a collective sum of more than \$12 million to support our humanitarian response in Ukraine and neighbouring countries. Canadian businesses, schools and individuals ran fundraisers, and media partners stepped up to promote the campaign.



## OUR RESPONSE IN REVIEW

Using the funds donated, members of the Humanitarian Coalition planned and quickly launched projects to address unmet humanitarian needs in targeted areas, providing vital humanitarian aid including shelter, food, hygiene, winterization items, educational support and more.

Overall, our members were able to meet the goals they planned for their projects, in a period extending from March 1, 2022, to October 31, 2023. Humanitarian Coalition members successfully improved equitable access to food, protection, hygiene, education, shelter and other basic services and goods for those in need. A total of 124,720 people directly benefited from projects

across four different countries (Moldova, Poland, Romania, Ukraine), amongst which 57% were women and 40% were children.

Learn more about our response to the crisis in Ukraine by reading the full post-appeal report, accessible on our website.

We acknowledge that the crisis in Ukraine continues, with significant humanitarian needs still requiring urgent attention and many of our members continue to respond to the needs.

## OLENA'S STORY: FEELING WELCOMED

"This is the first time in my life that I have left my country, Ukraine," said Olena, who fled the "noise of sirens and the pressure of missiles flying over our heads" with her children, Julia, 4, and Anna, 7, at the end of October 2022.

Olena chose Romania following the recommendation from her friends who said the Romanian people were very hospitable, and that **Save the Children** was supporting people crossing the border from Ukraine by providing families with necessities and referring them to Counseling Hubs where they received supplies and services.

"When I arrived here, in Iasi, I discovered a different world, without sirens and bombs," she said. "After a few days, I finally felt that I could be safe here."

At the Counseling Hub in Iasi, **Save the Children** assessed the needs of Olena and her children and began providing support including cash vouchers, social counseling, medical care, school enrolment, and access to emergency housing.

"Every time I come to the Counseling Hub, I feel safe," said Olena. "And my children do not want to leave because they feel comfortable and at ease."



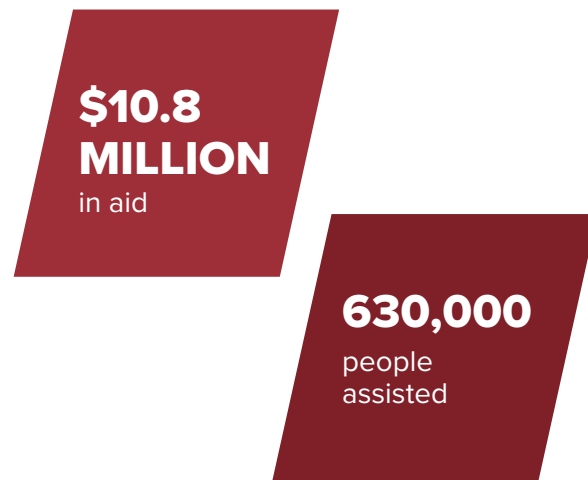
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# ONGOING DISASTER RESPONSE

When a big disaster strikes, the news travels fast. We know about it almost immediately through our news feed. But every year there are many other smaller disasters that don't make the news—yet they impact hundreds of thousands of people.

The Canadian Humanitarian Assistance Fund—funded 85% by the Government of Canada and 15% by the Humanitarian Coalition and its member organizations, who fund it with your donations—is designed for quick response. With this funding, we respond to smaller disasters by providing aid like shelter, household items, clean water, hygiene and sanitation supplies, health services and cash assistance.

In 2023, we provided more than \$10.8 million in aid to respond to 18 smaller-scale disasters. This included responding to a hurricane in Mexico, earthquakes in Indonesia and Afghanistan, storms in Libya and Vanuatu, a typhoon in the Philippines, flooding in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Haiti, Kenya, Somalia, Ethiopia, cyclones in Myanmar, Mozambique and Peru, and providing assistance to refugees in Chad, and on the border of Armenia and Azerbaijan. Altogether, more than 630,000 people were assisted through the Canadian Humanitarian Assistance Fund.



“Not every natural disaster or emergency receives the same news coverage or public attention. But every person impacted by an emergency deserves access to immediate, life-saving support. This past year, the people of Ethiopia, Libya, Malawi and Myanmar who faced catastrophic devastation did not have to wait for humanitarian assistance. Working closely with our country teams and local partners, CARE Canada was able to rapidly mobilize more than \$1.6M in emergency response CHAF funding to provide critical aid, deliver life-saving supplies, and ensure women and girls specifically had what they needed to survive.”

Julie Mckinkay, CARE Canada



## TROPICAL STORMS: HURRICANES, TYPHOONS, CYCLONES



In 2023, global temperatures soared to unprecedented levels, marking it as the hottest year on record. This surge, driven by climate change, intensified natural disasters such as tropical storms, hence causing or aggravating humanitarian crises.

In response, our members act—distributing cash assistance to vulnerable households, shelter and winterization kits if it is during the winter season, restoring water sources and providing access to safe water, distributing food baskets, repairing health centers and providing urgent health services and setting up child-friendly spaces to provide children with a safe environment and psychosocial services.

For those experiencing these meteorological phenomena, the consequences are starkly similar: homes are flooded or destroyed, livelihoods are disrupted, and accessing essentials like food and water becomes a daunting challenge. The situation is even more dire for people with disabilities or illnesses, and whose mobility is severely limited, or for families with young children.

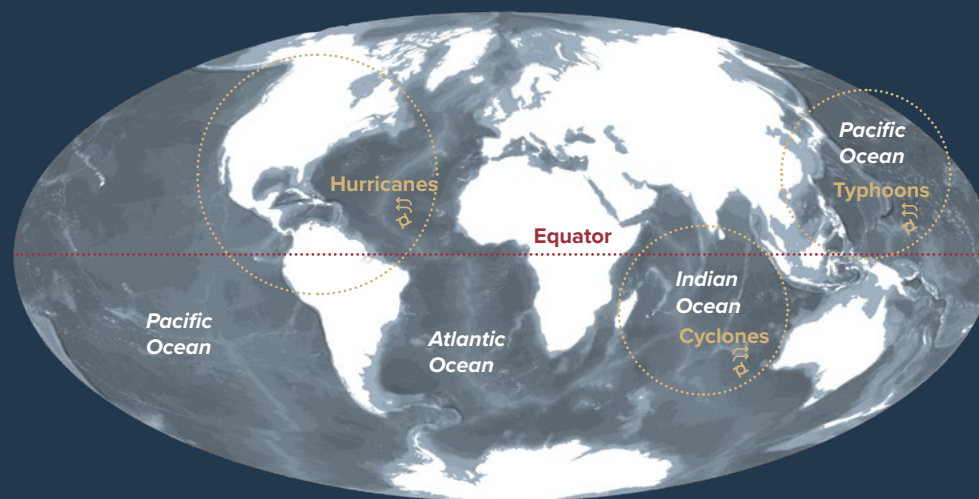
When Cyclone Freddy hit Mozambique, our members **Plan International** and **World Vision Canada** were there to provide urgent relief on site. When Cyclone Mocha hit Myanmar 7,965 km away, **CARE Canada** and **Oxfam Canada** were there for the disaster-stricken communities. Same goes for the Dominican Republic, Libya, Mexico, Peru, the Philippines, Somalia and Vanuatu: our members work alongside local communities to spring into action and provide the humanitarian assistance needed.

The needs of these communities are also usually the same: finding shelter from the storm, restoring and rebuilding key infrastructure, accessing food and water, finding or restoring a source of livelihood, and accessing health and sanitation services to cater to the needs of the most vulnerable people.

## WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A HURRICANE, A TYPHOON AND A CYCLONE?

Location! Hurricanes are tropical storms that form over the North Atlantic Ocean and Northeast Pacific. Cyclones originate over the South Pacific and Indian Ocean. Typhoons begin their life over the Northwest Pacific Ocean.

They all form from a cluster of thunderstorms that suck up the warm, moist air and move it high into Earth's atmosphere.





## THROUGH THE STORM: SARAI'S STORY

"I've always loved the rains," said the 15-year-old girl. "But being in that situation made me want to say: 'Please, let it stop raining at once, I don't want to be here.'" When Cyclone Yaku hit and torrential downpours fell across Peru, causing floods and landslides, she was terrified.

Sarai was also worried – would the rains return? She ultimately found support through **Plan International's** efforts to provide psychosocial support in child-friendly spaces after Cyclone Yaku. After the first youth meeting organized by **Plan International**, she realized that she was not alone—many young people had experienced the fear and anxiety of rising waters, flooding and landslides. With dreams of becoming a surgeon or a lawyer, Sarai is back on the path toward a more resilient future, embodying the determination of young people navigating the realities of climate change with courage and grit.

Across Peru, more than 517,000 people needed humanitarian assistance after Cyclone Yaku in 2023, their lives upended by the relentless onslaught of rain and flooding. The Piura region, where Sarai resides, suffered the brunt of the destruction, with more than 85,000 homes left severely damaged or uninhabitable.

With support from the Government of Canada through the Humanitarian Coalition, **Plan International** has been providing emergency supplies, hygiene kits, and educational items to children in the region.

The cyclone destroyed at least 440 classrooms and damaged 1,200 more, leaving children out of school or, like Sarai, contending with virtual learning. Learning online was stressful for Sarai, as she was easily distracted, and her academic performance deteriorated.



Sarai at a child-friendly space set up by Plan International



## WHAT IS EL NIÑO?

El Niño is known as the "warm phase" of a cyclical weather pattern in the tropical Pacific Ocean, where normal east-west winds weaken or reverse. This causes sun-warmed water to collect in the Central and East Pacific, which in turn releases hot and humid air into the atmosphere. El Niño contributes to extreme weather, floods, infectious disease outbreaks and economic disruption.





# FLOODS

In the wake of devastating floods due to torrential rains and overflowing rivers, communities face urgent humanitarian emergencies, grappling with displaced populations, contaminated water sources, and critical infrastructure damage.

In 2023, our members responded to flooding in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia and Kenya.



**Oxfam Canada and Plan International** local staff members conducting preliminary assessments in Garissa and Tana River counties in Eastern Kenya following the heavy rains that devastated the region in October 2023. Through **Oxfam Canada and Plan International**, as many as 14,230 people (about 2,300 households) are getting improved access to safe and adequate water, sanitation facilities, dignity and hygiene items and insecticide-treated mosquito nets.



## 10 FLOODING DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

People assisted: **30,822** Total budget: **\$411,765**  
December 2023 – June 2024



Protection Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

## 11 FLOODS AND HEAVY STORMS KENYA

People assisted: **14,230** Total budget: **\$828,286**  
December 2023 – June 2024



Protection Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Cash Assistance Shelter Nutrition

## 12 "EL NIÑO" INDUCED FLOOD SOMALIA

People assisted: **135,531** Total budget: **\$828,286**  
December 2023 – June 2024



Protection Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Cash Assistance Health Shelter Nutrition Non-Food Items

## 13 FLOODS ETHIOPIA

People assisted: **49,574** Total budget: **\$823,530**  
January 2024 – June 2024



Protection Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Cash Assistance Health

# EARTHQUAKES

When an earthquake strikes, there's an overwhelming sense of chaos and turmoil. Lives are upended, meeting basic needs becomes harder and uncertainty looms large.

Humanitarian assistance provided by our members is urgently needed after an earthquake to provide immediate medical care, emergency shelter, and basic supplies to affected populations, ensuring survival and recovery.

In Afghanistan, Haiti, Nepal, and the Philippines, members of the Humanitarian Coalition and their local partners were able to provide urgent relief and assistance.



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FLOODS AND EARTHQUAKE

**HAITI**

People assisted: **10,292** Total budget: **\$411,765**  
July – December 2023



Cash Assistance

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EARTHQUAKE IN HERAT

**AFGHANISTAN**

People assisted: **18,187** Total budget: **\$965,020**  
October 2023 – April 2024



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EARTHQUAKES

**NEPAL**

People assisted: **10,010** Total budget: **\$416,521**  
November 2023 – May 2024

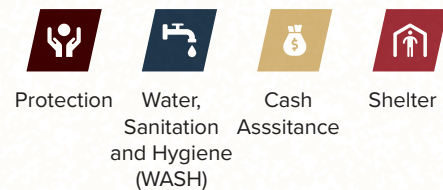


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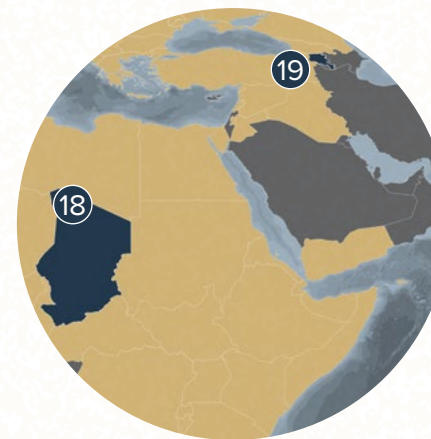
**PHILIPPINES**

People assisted: **15,000** Total budget: **\$416,521**  
December 2023 – June 2024



# REFUGEES

When conflicts erupt, civilians are forced to abandon their homes, livelihoods, and communities in search of safety. This displacement precipitates humanitarian crises, requiring immediate aid to support those left vulnerable in their quest for refuge. In 2023, our members **Canadian Lutheran World Relief** and **World Vision Canada** brought their assistance to Sudanese refugees in Chad, and refugees on the border of Armenia and Azerbaijan who had fled conflict.



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SUDANESE REFUGEES

**CHAD**

People assisted: **31,039** Total budget: **\$411,765**  
December 2023 – June 2024



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Shelter

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CRISIS ON THE BORDER OF **ARMENIA AND AZERBAIJAN**

People assisted: **3,662** Total budget: **\$413,264**  
October 2023 – April 2024



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Shelter Cash Assistance



Alia is a 50-year-old Sudanese refugee. She is married and lives in Ourang camp with her husband and four other family members. "I was a teacher in my village in Sudan and this activity allowed me to take charge of myself," she said. But she had to leave "under live fire" for safety reasons.

Once Alia and her family arrived to Ourang camp, they were provided with a shelter by **Canadian Lutheran World Relief**.



# OUR SUPPORTERS

The Government of Canada continued to partner with the Humanitarian Coalition in 2023, providing more than \$39 million in life-saving support across large- and small-scale emergencies and further strengthening Canada’s global leadership in humanitarian response.

Additionally, our generous corporate, community and media partners played a critical role in our awareness and fundraising efforts during emergencies—from helping us to reach Canadians, to providing in-kind donations of airtime and media space, to giving grants and monetary donations. We would like to give thanks to the following partners:



## CORPORATE PARTNERS



## COMMUNITY PARTNERS



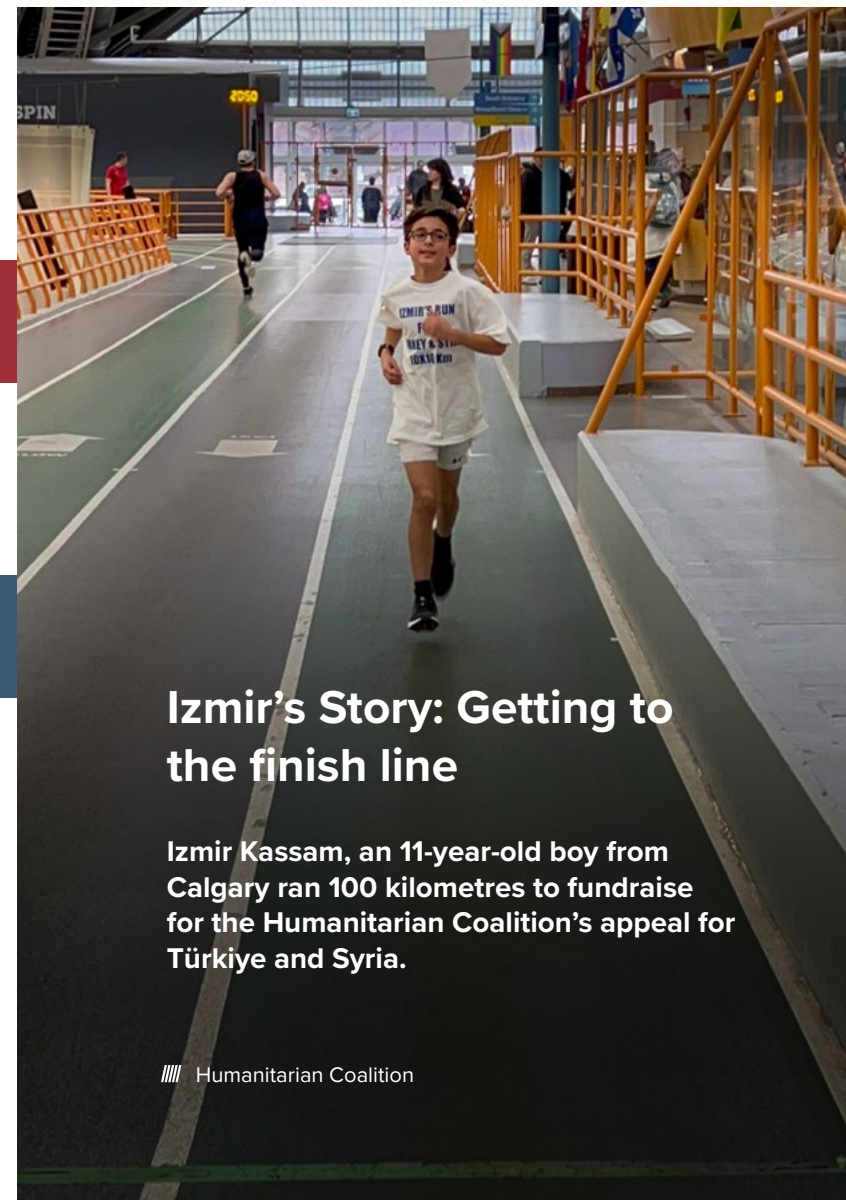
## MEDIA PARTNERS



# DONORS

When disasters strike, every bit of support counts. And thankfully, we know we can count on you to enable swift and effective responses to the most urgent needs. So this “thank you” is to all 10,975 of our supporters. Your boundless generosity is matched only by our deepest gratitude.

A special mention goes out to: Bear Family Foundation, Walter Dedio, Erkan Ickam, Izmir Kassam, Randall Ladell, Félix Maltais, Salim Nasser, Rise Paquette, William Parsons, Chitra Ramaswami, Kathleen & Alex Ramsay, WS (Bill) Rickert PhD, and Soumia-Imène Senouci.



## Izmir’s Story: Getting to the finish line

Izmir Kassam, an 11-year-old boy from Calgary ran 100 kilometres to fundraise for the Humanitarian Coalition’s appeal for Türkiye and Syria.

Izmir was deeply saddened by the devastating news of major earthquakes that struck Southern Türkiye and Northern Syria the day of his 10th birthday.

Inspired to make a difference, Izmir decided to launch a donation campaign by running for a cause. He decided to run 10 kilometres 10 times (that’s 100 kilometres!), with the aim of raising as much money as possible for the Humanitarian Coalition.

“We are so glad that Izmir chose the Humanitarian Coalition for his fundraising initiative. We are all in awe of his dedication and commitment,” commented Catherine Dufour, Stewardship Specialist at the Humanitarian Coalition.

Izmir’s personal connection to Türkiye, being named after the city of Izmir, and his general desire to help people, further motivated him to take action. In fact, it is not his first run for a cause! Last summer, Izmir ran a half-marathon to support women and girls in Afghanistan.

# HOW TO HELP

## MAKE A DONATION

Your gift will enable us to respond quickly and effectively when the next disaster strikes.

To donate, go to: **TOGETHER.CA**

## START A FUNDRAISER

Get involved. Invite your friends. Boost staff engagement. Make change happen.

## BECOME A CORPORATE PARTNER

Businesses play an important role in encouraging Canadians to care and to give.

## DONATE SECURITIES

A donation of securities or mutual funds allows you to give more and get more.

## BECOME A MONTHLY DONOR

When you choose to make a monthly gift, you boost your impact. Recurring donations grow over time, creating a more significant impact in the long run. Even a modest monthly contribution will build up to substantial support over the course of a year, or several years.

## HOLD OR ORGANIZE A THIRD-PARTY EVENT

Consider raising awareness and funds by holding a special event in your community, school, or workplace.

## LEAVE A LEGACY

What does your will say about you? Leave a gift that will impact generations to come.

### GET IN TOUCH

We'd love to hear from you.

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“Our members reach across the globe with presence in 140 countries, combining expertise and experience for a uniquely rapid and efficient response. But to power this network, we need you. We are so grateful for the support you provided in 2023, along with the generous support of the Government of Canada and our corporate partners. Together, we reached millions of people with life-saving assistance in a year of unprecedented crises.”

Richard Morgan  
Executive Director, Humanitarian Coalition

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2023, with comparative information for 2022.

## HUMANITARIAN COALITION OPERATIONS AND NET ASSETS

Year ended December 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Global Affairs Canada	37,884,718	15,792,418
Appeals	3,741,136	4,058,753
Emergency response fund	1,057,738	930,667
Coalition members contributions	463,685	413,600
	<b>43,147,277</b>	<b>21,195,438</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Salaries and employee benefits	759,198	743,589
Operations	359,168	356,140
Program funding	41,775,321	19,961,131
Communications and fundraising	321,479	305,237
	<b>43,215,166</b>	<b>21,366,097</b>
<b>Deficiency of revenues over expenses</b>	<b>(67,889)</b>	<b>(170,659)</b>
Net assets, beginning of year	1,219,673	1,390,332
Net assets, end of year	<b>1,151,784</b>	<b>1,219,673</b>

Overall appeal results are presented by combining the donations received by the Humanitarian Coalition and those received directly by our member agencies. However, only donations made directly to the Humanitarian Coalition are included in these audited financial statements.

The Humanitarian Coalition's full financial statements are available at: <https://humanitariancoalition.ca/reports-publications>

## HUMANITARIAN COALITION FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Assets</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Current		
Cash	6,634,356	6,526,349
Term deposits	1,012,247	1,512,247
Trade and other receivables	225,318	16,129
Prepaid expenses	3,128	3,128
	<b>7,875,049</b>	<b>8,057,853</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current		
Trade and other payables	3,555,395	464,396
Deferred contributions	3,167,870	6,373,784
	<b>6,723,265</b>	<b>6,838,180</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Unrestricted	<b>1,151,784</b>	<b>1,219,673</b>
	<b>7,875,049</b>	<b>8,057,853</b>




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# THANK YOU

Two young participants in a child-friendly space run by Plan International in response to Cyclone Yaku in Peru.

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