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Letter from the CEO

Dear respected Life supporter:

Thanks to the generous support of our donors and partners, in 2018 Life successfully implemented several projects in 24 countries across Asia, Africa, the Middle East, the Caribbean and America. Whether an area was hit by natural disasters like Hurricanes Florence and Michael in the US or the drought in Djibouti, Somalia and Kenya or war and violence in Syria, Yemen and Iraq and the Rohingya refugee crisis in Bangladesh Life staff responded by bringing needed emergency relief and support to affected families. Life also provided medical supplies and medical equipment to hospitals and clinics and hosted hearing aid mission trips to countries in the Middle East and Africa.

With the belief that education is the foundation for promoting development, prosperity and peace, Life in collaboration with its partners, distributed books and educational materials to learning institutions ranging from grade schools to universities. We also provided school supplies and backpacks to thousands of students. In the area of community development, Life completed construction on three centers and Life dug water wells that provide a continuous supply of clean water to areas in several countries where water resources are scarce.

Orphan sponsorship is one of Life's oldest and most precious programs. This initiative was started back in the early 1990s and continues today. As a result of natural calamities and wars, the number of orphans needing support continues to grow. This year, our traditional seasonal projects of Ramadan food distributions and Eid Al-Adha meat distributions were stronger than prior years.

Life continues to reach more needy individuals and families throughout the world. We could not have achieved these results without the generosity and continued support of our friends, donors and partners.

Sincerely,



Dr. Hany Saqr, M.D, Ph.D.
CEO

About Life

Mission Statement

Life for Relief and Development's mission is deeply rooted in the belief that saving lives should be a priority of all mankind. For this reason, Life is dedicated to alleviating human suffering regardless of race, color, religion, or cultural background. In response to poverty, famine, social and economic turmoil, natural disasters, war, and other catastrophes, Life works to provide assistance to people across the globe by offering humanitarian services such as food, water, and temporary shelter as well as healthcare and education.

Organizational Background

Life for Relief and Development is a non-profit humanitarian charity founded in 1992 by concerned American professionals in response to the humanitarian crises that developed in Iraq as a result of the 1991 Gulf War. Due to the great generosity of donors, Life has been able to distribute nearly \$480 million in humanitarian assistance items around the world, and in the process, kindly touched millions of lives.

Program Activities Map



- AFGHANISTAN
- BANGLADESH
- BOSNIA
- CANADA
- DJIBOUTI
- EGYPT

- ETHIOPIA
- GHANA
- HAITI
- INDIA
- IRAQ
- JORDAN

- KENYA
- LEBANON
- PAKISTAN
- PALESTINE
- SENEGAL
- SIERRA LEONE

- SOMALIA
- SUDAN
- SYRIA
- UGANDA
- USA
- YEMEN

Emergency Response

Life provided over \$858,400 in emergency humanitarian relief to people affected by the droughts in Kenya, Djibouti and Somalia, the displacement of over 300,000 people from Daraa, Syria. Families displaced by the hurricanes Florence in North Carolina and Michael in Florida. Winter aid to widows and orphans in Afghanistan, warm winter blankets distributed to Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh and bottled water distributed to families in Basrah, Iraq after the contamination of the water supply.

Health Programs

Life distributed donated medicines, medical supplies and medical equipment and hearing aids valued at over \$7,382,904 to the hearing impaired, disabled and to underserved hospitals and clinics in Jordan, Senegal, Ghana, Iraq, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon and Uganda.

Education Programs

Life promotes literacy through the distribution of books to colleges, universities, primary and secondary schools. Donates classroom furniture to schools in need, gives orphans and poor school children uniforms, shoes, and school bags filled with stationary, pens, and other educational items through its back to school program.

Life distributed school bags to students, furniture and educational materials to schools, colleges and universities valued at nearly \$4.6 million in Iraq, Palestine, Uganda, Lebanon, Syria and Canada and to Native American and non-profit schools and colleges in the USA.

Life supported a primary school in Lebanon and a higher education program inside Syria.

Community/Human Development

Life builds community centers where community members gather for social events as well as funds small human development projects in Africa for poor families to enable them to start their own businesses and support their families and provides vegetable seeds to poor farmers. Life constructed community centers in Wajir, Kenya and Koue-Nkwanta South Volta Ghana.

Orphan Sponsorship/Social Programs

Life's orphan sponsorship program provided food, shelter, education and healthcare to over 4,500 orphans. Nearly \$1.6 million in Orphan Sponsorship and Family Assistance given to aid orphans in Afghanistan, Ghana, Iraq, Jordan and Syria and Life distributed financial and in-kind assistance to refugees, the poor and needy in the US.

Water/Sanitation Programs

Life is constructing water wells in Africa and Asia for communities that have little or no access to clean water. Water is a necessity of life needed for proper health, hygiene and sanitation and for livestock populations. Access to clean water is essential for everyone everywhere.

This year, Life constructed 56 water wells in Afghanistan, Ghana, Ethiopia, Somalia, Senegal, Pakistan and Uganda.

Seasonal Projects

Life provided food baskets and fresh meat valued at \$1.2 million on its seasonal projects in 2018, which helped feed thousands of needy families in many countries throughout the world.

Ramadan

During Ramadan, Life distributed food baskets to over 1,004,112 poor and needy individuals. Each basket contained enough food items to meet the needs of a family of 5-7 for one month easing the financial burden on the family. Life provided nearly 40,000 Iftar meals and distributed Eid holiday gifts to poor children and orphans.

Ramadan distributions and Iftars implemented in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Egypt, Ghana, Haiti, India, Iraq, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Pakistan, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Syria, Sudan, USA, Uganda, Yemen and the West Bank and Gaza.

Udhiya/Qurbani

During Eid-ul-Adha, families wait in anticipation for Eid to arrive so they can receive fresh meat. Many families are so poor they cannot afford to buy meat at all during the entire year and Eid-ul-Adha is the only time that they have the opportunity to eat meat.

Life distributed fresh meat packages to over 166,145 families in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bosnia, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Iraq, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Pakistan, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Uganda, USA, Yemen, the West Bank and Gaza.

Financials

LIFE FOR RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT, INC.
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOW
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

Cash Flows from operating Activities:

Net Fund Balance \$ (173,297)

Add: Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash:

Depreciation expense	\$ 30,136	
Prepaid Expenses	(23,009)	
Other Assets	10,546	
Other Adjustments	(44,561)	
		<u>(26,888)</u>

Net cash flow provided by operating activities \$ (200,185)

Cash flows from investing activities:

Sale of Fixed Assets -

Net cash used in investing activities -

Cash flows from financing activities:

Security Deposits -

Net cash provided by financing activities -

Net increase in cash equivalents \$ (200,185)

Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year 7,145,655

Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year \$ 6,945,470

LIFE FOR RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT, INC.
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

REVENUE

Direct Public Support - Cash & Non-Cash	\$ 19,682,241	
Interest Income	<u>6,343</u>	
TOTAL REVENUE		\$ 19,688,584

OPERATING EXPENSES

Emergency Disaster Relief Expenditures	\$ 858,398
Educational Expenditures	4,591,506
Health and Safety Expenditures	7,382,904
Seasonal Program Expenditures	1,152,648
Social Program Expenditures	1,596,130
Water Treatment and Sanitation Expenditures	147,014
Zakat Program Expenditures	219,079
Indirect and General Program Expenditures	2,155,637
Human Development Program	<u>41,103</u>
Fundraising Expenditures	730,559
Management and General Expenditures	<u>986,903</u>

Total Expenditures **\$ 19,861,881**

Fund Balance - Unrestricted **\$ (173,297)**

Rounding Differences -

Fund Balance - Unrestricted **\$ (173,297)**

LIFE FOR RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT, INC.
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2018

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	6,945,470	
Prepaid expenses		119,723	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		\$	7,065,193

FIXED ASSETS

Land	\$	57,750	
Building		327,250	
Building Improvements		456,304	841,304
Equipment, Furniture and Fixtures		240,437	
Automobile		40,855	
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS	\$	1,122,596	
Less Accumulated Depreciation		637,460	

NET FIXED ASSETS **485,136**

OTHER ASSETS

Employee Advance		1,500	
Security deposits		964	
TOTAL OTHER ASSETS		2,464	

TOTAL ASSETS **\$ 7,552,793**

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable	\$	-	
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		\$	-

TOTAL LIABILITIES **\$ -**

FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance - Unrestricted	\$	7,726,090	
Fund Balance - Current		(173,297)	
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		\$	7,552,793

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES **\$ 7,552,793**

Life Staff

Headquarters

CEO:	Dr. Hany Saqr
Head of International Operations/HR Manager:	Ahmed Ismail
Administrative Assistant:	Sarah Elsayed
Administrative Assistant:	Alaa Aburahmeh
Accounts Manager:	Amr Mohamed
Accounting Assistant:	Auf Al-Rawi
Grants and Projects Manager:	Vicki Robb
Director Business Development:	Fawzy Kersha
Database Assistant:	Abdel-Kareem Shaout
Orphans Program Coordinator:	Ali Zaquq
Orphans Program Assistant:	Azhar Alatraqchi
Database Coordinator:	Yahya Labanieh
Database Assistant:	Abir Salem
IT Assistant:	Marwan Alatraqchi
Media Coordinator:	Ibrahim Salameh
Webmaster:	Humza Amir
Facility Coordinator:	Mohammed Baban
Speaker:	Abdul-Rahim Al-Ansari
Regional Director Fundraising/Speaker:	Faisal Hammouda
Regional Manager:	Nael Hasen

Regional Directors

Afghanistan:	Noor Agha
Ghana:	Umar Farouk
Haiti:	Ali Fahid Hussain
Iraq:	Nizar Al-Shiraida
Jordan:	Walid Qanah
Palestine:	Mohammed Beshar
Sierra Leone:	Haja Mariama Fofanah
United Arab Emirates:	Mohammed Abokora

Thanks to our Supporters

We would like to express our sincerest thanks and gratitude for your support and participation in Life's humanitarian mission. Life also expresses its appreciation to its founders who realized the need for helping the indigent and needy across the globe, and thanks the staff and its volunteers along with the donors and partners who together helped save the lives of many, eased their suffering and helped make Life successful in its noble mission.