

Life

WHERE THERE IS LIFE... THERE IS HOPE

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Letter from the CEO

Dear Respected Donor,

Thank you for making 2021 a remarkably successful year. Despite our unprecedented times, you have stepped up and given more in a time when there is less. Your generous spirit is a testament to what is possible when we work together.

Since the COVID-19 outbreak struck the world early in 2020, our staff has worked tirelessly and efficiently to continue distributing essential COVID-19 aid to families and individuals worldwide. This year, LIFE distributed over \$10 million worth of health programs and medical supplies/equipment; a large portion of this was distributed to prevent and control the spread of COVID-19. This assistance was directed toward fourteen countries' poor, needy, and underserved hospitals and clinics.

Other medical support given by LIFE includes an ambulance in Bangladesh, six hearing aid humanitarian trips in the USA, and furnished sensory rooms in centers for children with disabilities and down's syndrome in Pakistan and the West Bank.

Through another challenging year in our history, we continued to serve humanity by supporting over 8,000 orphans in eleven countries, giving them an opportunity for a better life. We also distributed food baskets to over 128,989 poor and needy families and fed hot iftar meals to 20,726 people in need. We supplied over \$5 million in in-kind shipments of school and dorm room furniture, food, and medical aid. We dug 206 water wells in thirteen countries and constructed a community center in Senegal.

We thank you so much for making a difference in the lives of many people struggling to survive during the pandemic these past few years, and we look forward to your continued support of LIFE's programs in 2022.

Sincerely yours,

Hany Saqr, M.D., Ph.D.
Chief Executive Officer (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 over \$548.4 million in humanitarian assistance items around the world, and in the process, kindly touched millions of lives.

Program Activities Map



- AFGHANISTAN
- BANGLADESH
- BOSNIA
- DJIBOUTI
- DOMINICAN
REPUBLIC
- EGYPT
- ETHIOPIA
- GHANA

- HAITI
- INDIA
- INDONESIA
- IRAQ
- IVORY COAST
- JORDAN
- KENYA
- LEBANON
- MALI

- PAKISTAN
- PALESTINE
- SENEGAL
- SIERRA LEONE
- SOMALIA
- SRI LANKA
- SUDAN
- SYRIA
- UGANDA

- UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
- USA
- YEMEN

Emergency Response

Life provides emergency relief to those in need in response to areas suffering from natural or man-made disasters by providing forms of shelter, food, water, bedding, blankets, household items, hygiene kits and emergency medical care.

LIFE provided nearly \$168,500 in emergency humanitarian relief to people affected by flooding in Afghanistan, Senegal, Mali, and Detroit, Michigan. Emergency earthquake relief in Haiti and Indonesia.

Health Programs

Life distributed \$10,052,948 in health programs and medical supplies/equipment distributions which includes ventilation devices for COVID – 19, an ambulance for use in Bangladesh, six hearing aid humanitarian trips in the USA, furnished sensory rooms in centers for children with disabilities and Down’s Syndrome in Pakistan and the West Bank and provided health and COVID - 19 assistance to the poor and needy and underserved hospitals and clinics in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Iraq, Ghana, Lebanon, Mali, Pakistan, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Somalia, Syria, the West Bank and Gaza.

Education Programs

Life promotes literacy through the distribution of books to colleges, universities, primary and secondary schools, donates classroom furniture to schools in the United States of America and needy schools throughout the world and gives orphans and poor children uniforms, shoes and school bags filled with stationary, pens and other educational items through its back-to-school programs, and participated in providing food for students in primary and secondary schools in Africa.

In the education sector Life expended \$853,425 in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bosnia, the Dominican Republic, Haiti, Ghana, Iraq, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Pakistan, Mali, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Sri Lanka, Syria, Yemen, and the USA.

Community Development

LIFE expended \$5,602,042 in community development through building community centers around the world where communities come together for social events and distribute furniture to people in need and those coming back into the community after incarceration and to families affected by natural disasters.

In 2021 LIFE assisted in community development by distributing furniture to needy families in the USA and by constructing a community center in Senegal.

Orphan Sponsorship/Family Assistance

Orphans Sponsorship

Life's orphan sponsorship program provides food, shelter, education and healthcare to orphans all over the world.

Life provided over \$2.7 million in Orphan Sponsorship to over 8,000 orphans in the following countries: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Ghana, Haiti, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Mali, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Syria, the West Bank and Gaza.

An orphan's holiday party for Eid-Al-Fitr was held in Syria. Children received new clothing and toys for the celebration.

Family Assistance

Life distributed firewood for heating, winter blankets, coats, jackets, mittens, and hats to needy families in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bosnia, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, USA and Yemen.

Twenty-four containers of food aid was shipped and distributed to needy families in Somalia, Djibouti and Sudan.

Water/Sanitation Programs

Life understands the urgent need for clean water supply for communities to have access to clean drinking water as well as clean water to support good hygiene, proper health and for livestock populations. Life constructed 206 water wells in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Ghana, Iraq, Kenya, Pakistan, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Sudan and Uganda.

Seasonal Projects

Food basket distributions (Ramadan)

During Ramadan, Life distributed food baskets to over 128,989 poor and needy families. The food baskets contained enough food items to feed a family of 5-7 people for the month of Ramadan. In addition to food baskets, Life also provided over 20,726 Iftar meals to communities, while also distributing Eid holiday gifts to poor children and orphans. The Ramadan distributions took place in 25 countries.

Fresh meat distributions (Udhiya/Qurbani)

The Eid-UI-Adha holiday is anticipated for many Muslim families around the world, as they wait for fresh meat. Many needy families cannot afford to buy meat during the year, so this is a time that they have to anticipate the donation of meat.

During Udhiyah/Qurbani, Life distributed fresh meat to 206,412 needy beneficiaries in 25 countries in 2021.

Thanksgiving distributions

Life distributed 300 turkeys and 300 food boxes to families in need in the Detroit area for and hosted a Thanksgiving dinner for refugees and the disabled.

Senior Citizens Christmas Party

Life hosted a Christmas party and luncheon for in a senior citizens center in Dearborn, Michigan.

Financials

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
DECEMBER 31, 2021**ASSETS**

Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,220,126
Pledges receivable, net of allowance	72,565
Prepaid expenses and other	439,912
Inventories (in-kind contributions)	<u>14,400</u>
Total current assets	<u>7,747,003</u>
Property and equipment	
Land	57,750
Building	327,250
Building improvements	456,304
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	67,424
Vehicles	<u>40,855</u>
Total cost	949,583
Less, accumulated depreciation	<u>722,399</u>
Total property and equipment	<u>227,184</u>
Total assets	<u><u>\$ 7,974,187</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 850,101
Accrued expenses	<u>36,817</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>886,918</u>
Net assets	
Without donor restrictions	2,264,868
With donor restrictions	<u>4,822,401</u>
Total net assets	<u>7,087,269</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u><u>\$ 7,974,187</u></u>

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
DECEMBER 31, 2021

	<u>Without Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>With Donor Restrictions</u>	<u>Total</u>
Support and revenue			
Contributions	\$ 3,763,515	\$ 8,309,591	\$ 12,073,106
In-kind contributions:			
Educational materials	-	645,036	645,036
Medicine and medical supplies	-	9,933,876	9,933,876
Family assistance	-	257,100	257,100
Furniture and equipment	-	5,444,769	5,444,769
Other income	10,523	-	10,523
Interest income	<u>1,675</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,675</u>
Total support and revenue before releases	3,775,713	24,590,372	28,366,085
Net assets released from restrictions	<u>23,374,860</u>	<u>(23,374,860)</u>	<u>-</u>
Total support and revenue	27,150,573	1,215,512	28,366,085
Expenses			
Program services	24,304,648	-	24,304,648
Management and general	1,681,422	-	1,681,422
Fundraising	<u>1,325,464</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,325,464</u>
Total expenses	<u>27,311,534</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>27,311,534</u>
Change in net assets	(160,961)	1,215,512	1,054,551
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>2,425,829</u>	<u>3,606,889</u>	<u>6,032,718</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 2,264,868</u>	<u>\$ 4,822,401</u>	<u>\$ 7,087,269</u>

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES
DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Program Services					
	Health and Safety Program	Educational Program	Emergency Disaster Relief Program	Orphans Program	Food Basket Programs	Clean Water Project Program
Payroll Expenses:						
Compensation	\$ 12,955	\$ 9,761	\$ 202,453	\$ 530,074	\$ 11,347	\$ 27,100
Employment taxes and benefits	3,196	2,409	49,954	130,791	2,800	6,687
Total payroll expenses	16,151	12,170	252,407	660,865	14,147	33,787
Other Expenses:						
In Kind Donations:						
Medicine and medical supplies	9,933,876	-	-	-	-	-
Educational materials	-	679,037	-	-	-	-
Food	-	-	-	-	18,575	-
Furniture and equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Program Expenses:						
Health and safety program expense	343,962	-	-	-	-	-
Education program expense	-	208,389	-	-	-	-
Emergency disaster program expense	-	-	168,500	-	-	-
Orphans sponsorship	-	-	-	2,726,420	-	-
Family assistance	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food baskets	-	-	-	-	398,754	-
Food baskets (Ramadan)	-	-	-	-	596,082	-
Meat (Udhiyah)	-	-	-	-	346,500	-
Meat and other distribution	-	-	-	-	19,345	-
Water and sanitation program expense	-	-	-	-	-	371,898
Community development	-	-	-	-	-	-
Credit card processing and bank fees	2,808	2,116	43,887	114,909	2,460	5,875
Freight	4,465	3,364	69,779	182,701	3,911	9,341
Printing	1,786	1,346	135,306	73,084	131,327	3,736
Field office expenses	5,282	3,980	82,538	216,106	4,626	11,048
Software fees	1,150	866	17,965	47,038	1,007	2,405
Expenses Including Management and General						
Insurance	-	-	-	-	-	-
Professional fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rent	296	223	4,631	12,126	260	620
Repairs and maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone and internet	185	139	2,885	7,553	162	386
Utilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Office expense and license fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Media and communications	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bad debt expense (recovery)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-
Postage and delivery fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Travel	14	11	221	578	12	30
Fundraising Expenses:						
Fundraising event expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marketing material	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total functional expenses	\$ 10,309,975	\$ 911,641	\$ 778,119	\$ 4,041,380	\$ 1,537,168	\$ 439,126

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES (Continued)
DECEMBER 31, 2021

	Supporting Services			Management and General	Fundraising	Total Functional Expenses
	Community Development Programs	Family Assistance Programs	Total Program Services			
Payroll Expenses:						
Compensation	\$ 19,931	\$ 12,836	\$ 826,457	\$ 446,287	\$ 380,170	\$ 1,652,914
Employment taxes and benefits	4,918	3,167	203,922	110,118	93,804	407,844
Total payroll expenses	<u>24,849</u>	<u>16,003</u>	<u>1,030,379</u>	<u>556,405</u>	<u>473,974</u>	<u>2,060,758</u>
Other Expenses:						
In Kind Donations:						
Medicine and medical supplies	-	-	9,933,876	-	-	9,933,876
Educational materials	-	-	679,037	-	-	679,037
Food	-	-	18,575	-	-	18,575
Furniture and equipment	5,444,769	261,756	5,706,525	-	-	5,706,525
Program Expenses:						
Health and safety program expense	-	-	343,962	-	-	343,962
Education program expense	-	-	208,389	-	-	208,389
Emergency disaster program expense	-	-	168,500	-	-	168,500
Orphans sponsorship	-	-	2,726,420	-	-	2,726,420
Family assistance	-	232,353	232,353	-	-	232,353
Food baskets	-	-	398,754	-	-	398,754
Food baskets (Ramadan)	-	-	596,082	-	-	596,082
Meat (Udhiyah)	-	-	346,500	-	-	346,500
Meat and other distribution	-	-	19,345	-	-	19,345
Water and sanitation program expense	-	-	371,898	-	-	371,898
Community development	267,073	-	267,073	-	-	267,073
Credit card processing and bank fees	4,321	2,783	179,159	-	-	179,159
Freight	6,870	4,424	284,855	-	-	284,855
Printing	2,748	1,770	351,103	140,740	373,382	865,225
Field office expenses	8,126	5,233	336,939	-	-	336,939
Software fees	1,769	1,139	73,339	-	-	73,339
Expenses Including Management and General						
Insurance	-	-	-	31,577	-	31,577
Professional fees	-	-	-	665,060	-	665,060
Rent	456	294	18,906	-	18,906	37,812
Repairs and maintenance	-	-	-	61,488	-	61,488
Telephone and internet	284	183	11,777	11,776	-	23,553
Utilities	-	-	-	14,872	-	14,872
Office expense and license fees	-	-	-	103,691	-	103,691
Media and communications	-	-	-	56,100	40,521	96,621
Bad debt expense (recovery)	-	-	-	(5,799)	-	(5,799)
Depreciation	-	-	-	18,648	-	18,648
Postage and delivery fees	-	-	-	22,332	2,638	24,970
Travel	22	14	902	4,532	18,060	23,494
Fundraising Expenses:						
Fundraising event expenses	-	-	-	-	295,365	295,365
Marketing material	-	-	-	-	102,618	102,618
Total functional expenses	<u>\$ 5,761,287</u>	<u>\$ 525,952</u>	<u>\$ 24,304,648</u>	<u>\$ 1,681,422</u>	<u>\$ 1,325,464</u>	<u>\$ 27,311,534</u>

See independent auditor's report and notes to financial statements.

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.