

IN OUR WORLD... REFUGEES MATTER

With Life's help refugee families were given warm winter clothing, furniture and basic items to help get their new lives started here in the US.



WHITEHOUSE SUMMIT



At the White House summit on Global Development, Life CEO Khalid Turaani and USAID Administrator Gayle Smith.

FLINT WATER CRISIS



Flint, Michigan water crisis, Life distributed 200,000 bottles of water to affected families during the height of the water crisis.

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LETTER FROM THE CEO



Dear Life Donor and Supporter,

Life for Relief and Development just entered its 25th year. What a journey? From an idea and a one person office in California, we've travelled to a world-class relief and development organization that is operating across the globe. We started in 1992 as a response to the devastating sanctions on Iraq and reached our silver jubilee by responding to the Flint water crisis and distributing over 200,000 bottles of water. From Baghdad to Flint and everywhere in between, we were your message of compassion to humanity.

Year after year, your support and generous donations have made a significant difference in the lives of hundreds of thousands of people from Ghana to Palestine, from Haiti to Afghanistan, and to over 60 countries in between. Over \$400 million of your goodwill meant that deaf refugee children can hear, and draught stricken African tribes can drink clean water and offer some to their livestock. In 2016 alone we implemented projects in 27 countries spanning Asia, Africa, the Middle East, the Caribbean and America.

In the area of community and human development, Life helped build community centers in Africa. We also helped dig water wells in Ghana, Somalia, Ethiopia and Afghanistan. We continued to support over 4,500 orphans in several countries. The unfortunate reality is that natural disasters and wars have exponentially increased the number of orphans needing support.

Our traditional seasonal projects (Ramadan and Eid-al-Adha) were stronger than prior years, and, as a result, we were able to help many more needy families.

I take this opportunity to acknowledge and express my gratitude to the staff who were instrumental in implementing these projects, some at great risk to their own lives. As we celebrate 25 years, I also wish to thank Life Board of Directors for their wise counsel, stewardship and dedicated commitment in serving humanity.

In a world fraught with hatred, in which millions are deprived of safety and freedom, we pray for peace and good will for all as we jointly continue to serve.

Sincerely,
Khalid Turaani
Chief Executive Officer



SERVICE WITH DIGNITY

LIFE FOR RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT is a non-profit humanitarian charity founded in 1992 by concerned Arab and Muslim American professionals in response to the humanitarian crises that developed in Iraq as a result of the 1991 Gulf War. Today, Life for Relief and Development has become the largest U.S.-founded Muslim American humanitarian relief and development organization, with an annual budget of nearly \$60 million. Due to the great generosity of donors, Life has been able to distribute over \$400 million of humanitarian assistance items around the world, and in the process, kindly touched millions of lives.

HEALTH PROGRAMS



HEARING AID MISSION TRIP TO JORDAN AND THE WEST BANK

Life in partnership with the Royal Hashemite Court provided 1,000 hearing aids, paid travel expenses and led a mission team of audiologists and volunteers from Entheos Audiology Cooperative in the U.S. to Jordan and the West Bank to fit children with hearing aids.



IRAQI DOCTORS AND NURSES TRAINING IN JORDAN



Five Oncologist/Hematologists and six nurses from the pediatric unit at Children's Welfare Teaching Hospital in Medical City Baghdad and Professional Doctors and Nurses from the US, Cairo Egypt and Japan gathered together for a conference on Pediatric Oncology in Amman Jordan hosted by Life.

WARM WINTER COATS FOR ORPHANS AND DISPLACED CHILDREN

From Gaza to Erbil and across Jordan thousands of refugee children stayed warm thanks to Life distributing warm winter coats to 1500 displaced children in Idlib and northern Syria and 1300 orphans in Zarka camp in Jordan and 300 displaced children in Ain Kawa, Kasnazan and Erbil Iraq.



ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP

EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS AND HYGIENE KITS FOR ORPHANS IN SIERRA LEONE



Hygiene kits, radio sets, exercise books, school bags, pens, pencils, erasers, sharpeners and rulers distributed to orphans living under quarantine during the Ebola crisis in Sierra Leone.



COMMUNITY CENTER CONSTRUCTION IN GHANA AND MALI

Four community centers were opened and constructed in Ghana and one community center was constructed and opened in Mali

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

SCHOOL CONSTRUCTED IN GHANA

Zamara School was constructed for the community in Doryume, Ghana

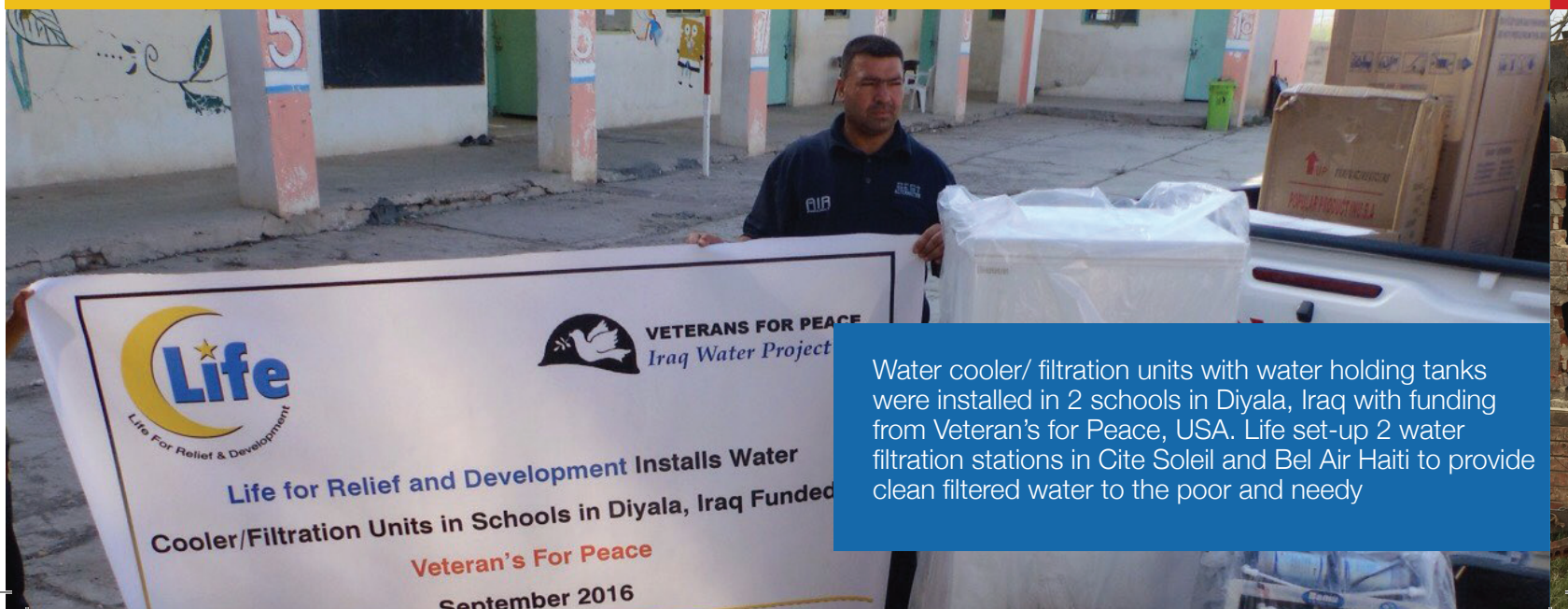
FORTY WATER WELLS DUG IN AFGHANISTAN, KYRGYZSTAN, GHANA, MALI, SOMALIA AND ETHIOPIA.

Recipient families now have access to clean water which will improve the quality of health, sanitation and hygiene for the people.

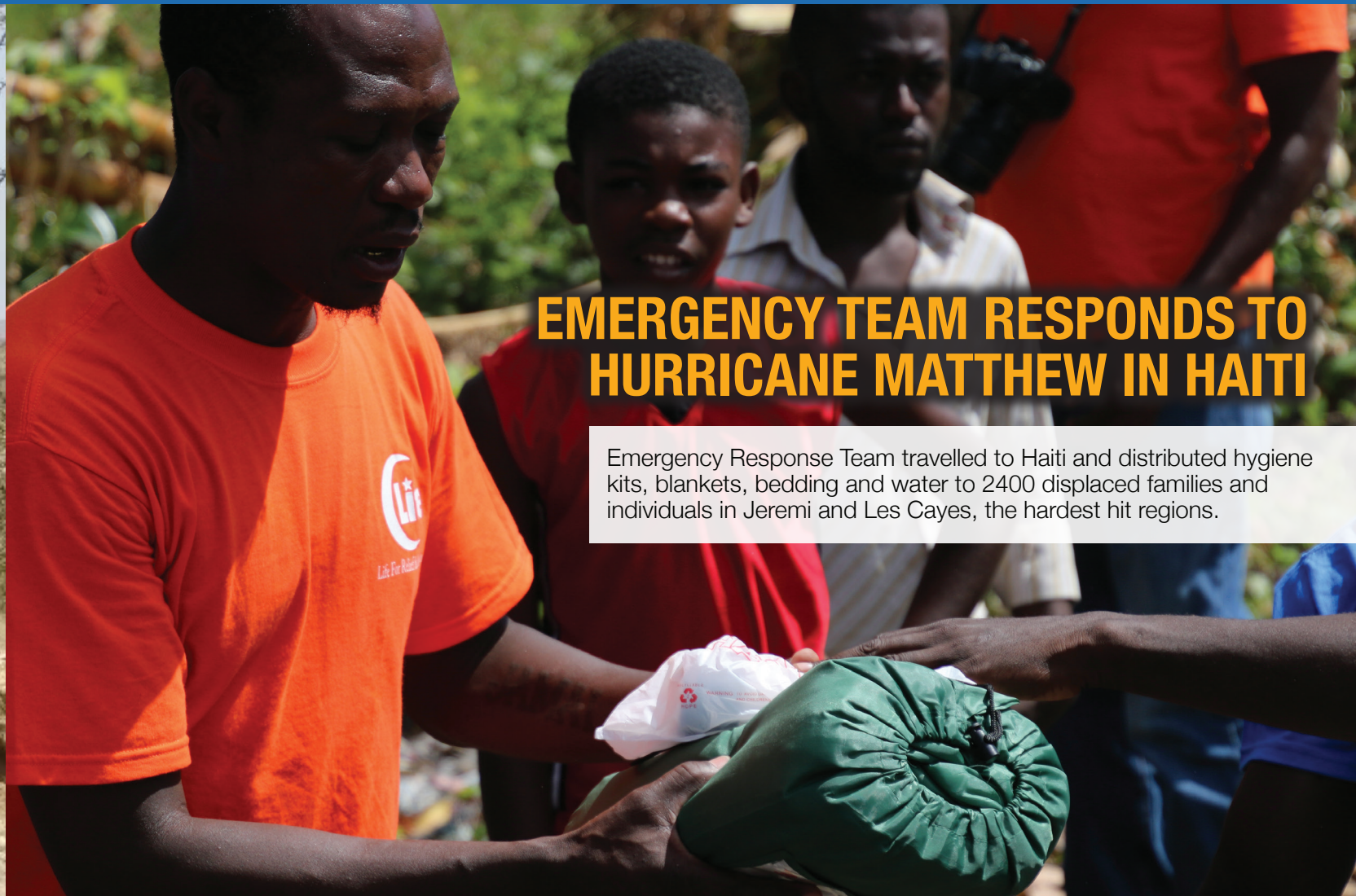


CLEAN WATER PROGRAM

WATER FILTRATION UNITS INSTALLED IN IRAQ AND HAITI



Water cooler/ filtration units with water holding tanks were installed in 2 schools in Diyala, Iraq with funding from Veteran's for Peace, USA. Life set-up 2 water filtration stations in Cite Soleil and Bel Air Haiti to provide clean filtered water to the poor and needy



EMERGENCY TEAM RESPONDS TO HURRICANE MATTHEW IN HAITI

Emergency Response Team travelled to Haiti and distributed hygiene kits, blankets, bedding and water to 2400 displaced families and individuals in Jeremi and Les Cayes, the hardest hit regions.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

TEXAS TORNADO VICTIMS AIDED



Emergency Response Team travelled to Garland, Texas to distribute cleaning materials, hygiene kits, coats, blankets and hot meals to those impacted by the devastating tornado that demolished over 1600 homes.

RELIEF FOR MOSUL



First organization on the ground during Mosul Iraq Crisis to distribute emergency food, blankets and hygiene materials to 700 displaced families that fled Mosul to Khazir Camp during the crisis in November 2016.

EDUCATION PROGRAM



BACKPACKS GIVEN TO STUDENTS IN JORDAN

Over 2500 students throughout Jordan including refugees received school backpacks filled with stationary, notebooks, pens, pencils and crayons that were distributed in September after the school year started in Jordan.

SCHOOL FURNITURE GIVEN TO USA, CANADA AND SOMALIA

School desks, white boards, cubbies, bookcases, auditorium and lab furniture donated by International Recycling Network given to schools in Canada, Somalia and to non-profit and Native American schools in the following states: Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, New Jersey, New York and Texas

BOOKS DONATED TO NATIVE AMERICAN AND NON-PROFIT SCHOOLS/COLLEGES IN THE US



Books donated by McGraw-Hill and Pearson Publishing in partnership with Brother' Brother Foundation were distributed to Native American, Islamic and non-profit schools and colleges in Michigan, Ohio, New York, Delaware, Virginia, Kentucky, North and South Carolina, Florida, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas, Montana, Nevada, California, New Mexico and Arizona





RAMADAN & UDHIYAH



RAMADAN DISTRIBUTION 2016

During the holy month of Ramadan Life delivered food baskets to over 57,000 families. With the help of our donors, we successfully implemented Ramadan food basket programs in Ethiopia, Haiti, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, USA and Yemen.



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UDHIYAH/QURBANI 2016

During the days of Eid al-Adha Life sacrificed and distributed fresh Udhiyah meat to over 46,000 families in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Egypt, Ghana, Haiti, India, Iraq, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Mali, Myanmar, Nepal, Niger, Pakistan, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan/Eritrea, Syria, Turkey, USA, the West Bank/Gaza and Yemen.

UDHIYAH DISTRIBUTION IN EGYPT



UDHIYAH DISTRIBUTION IN AFGHANISTAN



LIFE TIMELINE

- 2016:** Quadrennial report approved by the UN, aided Syrian refugees in the US and survivors of Hurricane Matthew in Haiti, first on the ground during Mosul Iraq crisis
- 2014:** Signed agreement with UNRWA to aid Gaza, sent hospital beds, medical aid and medicines to Ebola centers in Sierra Leone
- 2012:** Quadrennial report approved by the UN, funding from Mohammed Bin Rashid Charity in the UAE to construct 2 clinics and 4 schools in Iraq, aid to Hurricane Sandy in New Jersey
- 2010:** Won Noble Humanitarian Award in Dubai, UAE, Haiti and Ghana offices open
- 2008:** Quadrennial report approved by the UN, funding from Mohammed Bin Rashid Charity, Dubai to construct 3 clinics a high school in Iraq
- 2006:** Awarded UN Habitat grant for Iraq, emergency team to Syria and Lebanon during Israel conflict
- 2004:** Jordan office opens, provided aid to survivors of the Tsunami in Indonesia
- 2002:** Afghanistan operations begin, 2 orphanages opened. Attended UN World Humanitarian Summit in Johannesburg, South Africa
- 2000:** Repaired water treatment facilities in Iraq, Registered with USDA
- 1998:** Name changed to Life for Relief and Development, Veterans for Peace partnership begins, Sierra Leone office opens
- 1996:** Brother's Brother Foundation and Feed the Children partnership begins aid sent to Iraq, Lebanon and Sierra Leone
- 1994:** Headquarters moved to Michigan
- 1992:** Founded in California as a response to the Iraq war
- 2015:** Dug water wells and supported a mobile clinic in Kyrgyzstan, aided families affected by the Nepal earthquake
- 2013:** Registered with the USAID, Partnership with Relief International to provide humanitarian assistance to Syria
- 2011:** Aided the people of Libya, Syria and Turkey and constructed and opened 4 community centers in Sierra Leone
- 2009:** Sent 125 pilgrims to Hajj from African nations, established 9 libraries in Iraq, aided victims of Indonesian earthquake
- 2007:** Aided survivors of Cyclone Sidr in Bangladesh, constructed 100 bed orphanage in Sierra Leone
- 2005:** UAE and Nazareth offices open, emergency aid for survivors of Hurricane Katrina in Louisiana and the earthquake in Pakistan
- 2003:** Joined the Interaction, Syria office opens, emergency aid to Iraqi's during USA war, awarded UNICEF grant to rebuild water treatment centers and schools in Iraq
- 2001:** Aided victims of Bhuj, India earthquake, Pakistan office opens to aid Afghan refugees during USA war
- 1999:** Consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the UN, emergency team to Albania during Kosovo war
- 1997:** Iraq office opens, Attended International Aid and Trade in Geneva Switzerland, aided refugees in Guinea during Sierra Leone civil war
- 1995:** First container medical aid sent to Iraq
- 1993:** Advanced ruling Federal Tax Exempt Status, granted tax exemption from federal government



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