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**PRESBYTERIAN  
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

**OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE**

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Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)  
P.O. Box 643700  
Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700

International Disaster Response — DR999999-AG	\$
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Presbyterian Disaster Assistance enables congregations and mission partners of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to witness to the healing love of Christ through caring for communities adversely affected by crises and catastrophic events.

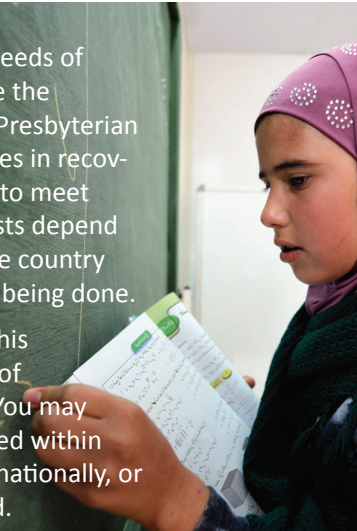
Disasters, whether natural or human-caused, can devastate communities. In most cases homes, businesses, and infrastructure are destroyed or damaged. Many lives are lost, and many more are disrupted.

Assistance from Presbyterians helps provide for basic humanitarian needs. Food, water, medicine, shelter, and other critical supplies bring hope to a struggling community.

### Alternative Gifts

After any disaster, the needs of vulnerable people guide the appropriate response. Presbyterian partners and presbyteries in recovery areas use your gifts to meet those needs. Actual costs depend on local markets and the country where recovery work is being done.

The giving amounts in this brochure are examples of what your gift can do. You may direct your gift to be used within the United States, internationally, or where it is most needed.



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Back: Foods Resource Bank. Tear off: Paul Jeffrey/ACT.  
Above: Roberta Updegraff, Paul Jeffrey/ACT.



### GIVE

- through your local congregation/presbytery.
- by credit card: call PresbyTel at (800) 872-3283.
- by mail using the tear-off from this brochure.
- in honor or memory of a loved one; email [pda@pcusa.org](mailto:pda@pcusa.org) to request greeting cards for those you wish to honor.
- Text PDA to 20222; provides \$10 for disaster response where needed most.



### ACT

- Stay informed at [www.pcusa.org/pda](http://www.pcusa.org/pda) or [facebook.com/pdacares](https://facebook.com/pdacares).
- Request email updates (PDA RIN) or *Mission Mosaic*, the magazine-style update of PDA responses — email [pda@pcusa.org](mailto:pda@pcusa.org).
- Participate in ministries of refugee resettlement, U.S. growing projects to support food security overseas, volunteer work teams, Gift of the Heart Kits, and more.

### PRAY

That our compassionate response will be action on behalf of families whose lives have been thrown into chaos by disaster. That our action will be a witness to Christ, showing forth his love and the hope of his resurrection.

*... hope does not disappoint us, because  
God's love has been poured into our hearts ...  
—Romans 5:5*



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PDA is supported by *One Great Hour of Sharing...*

carrying the hope and compassion of Christ to those most in need.

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## Alternative Giving



## PDA General Relief

(support where most needed)  
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Often when a disaster happens, families lose everything. By supporting PDA General Relief, you help us respond quickly to natural or human-caused disasters where the needs are greatest—whether internationally or in the United States. Your shared blessing or gift of any amount helps to ensure that PDA will be there to share your care and concern for disaster survivors.

Your gift to PDA General Relief can provide such items as:



Photo: Paul Jeffrey, ACT

**\$13** – school kit for children in a post-disaster area (scissors, notebooks, ruler, crayons, cloth bag, pencils, erasers, and a sharpener).

**\$25** – kitchen kit (cooking pots, utensils, bowls, cups, and spoons). This kit can help restore a family's ability to cook or prepare food provided as they recover from a disaster.

**\$125** – emergency life pack containing a tarpaulin, 2 blankets, cooking set, 2 jerry cans for water, high protein biscuits, and soap.

out of chaos, hope • out of grief, consolation • out of fear, faith • out of destruction, rebirth • out of loss, redemption • out of crisis, commitment • out of the storm, calm

## International Disasters & Emergencies

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Ongoing war and civil conflict often cause people to flee their homes to seek safety. Others are driven from home by natural disasters such as flooding or drought. While some will find safety through re-settlement in other countries, most of the world's 43.7 million displaced people (2010 UNHCR) continue to live in internally displaced persons (IDP) camps. There they wait for their homelands to regain stability, safety, and the ability to sustain their livelihoods.



Photo: Paul Jeffrey, ACT

IDPs are in need of basic humanitarian necessities such as food, water, and shelter. Each item listed is an example of what your gift can help provide:

**\$15** – ten jerry cans for survivors to transport clean water for drinking, cooking, and washing.

**\$35** – emergency household kit (2 blankets, 2 plastic mats, jerry can, plastic sheet, 2 mosquito nets, and soap).

**\$200** – cold weather tents for persons living in camps.

## USA Disasters & Emergencies

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When floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, or other disasters strike here in the United States, the challenge is to help families return to normalcy. Working in cooperation with affected presbyteries, PDA helps disaster survivors begin the process of rebuilding their lives and restoring their community.

Your shared blessing through gifts to U.S.A. Disasters and Emergencies ensures that funds are available to respond immediately to families in the United States left in need following a disaster. Examples of items your gift can help provide include:



Photo: Rev. Chris Lieberman

**\$20** – support for a congregation hosting volunteer work teams.

**\$56** – cleanup bucket including soap, gloves, masks, trash bags, and other necessities to help families clean following flooding or another natural disaster in the U.S.

**\$150** – enabling an individual to attend disaster preparedness and recovery training in a disaster-affected community.

Your generous gifts and support to PDA help provide:

- Emergency relief and food.
- Repair or rebuilding of destroyed homes.
- Spiritual & emotional care for families.
- Shelter for displaced people.
- Children the opportunity to return to school.
- Access to clean water and proper sanitation.

Also, because you share your blessings...

- Communities learn how to increase crop yields to build food security.
- Refugees are rebuilding their lives with support from Presbyterian congregations.

- Women are empowered to start small businesses and improve their families' livelihoods.
- Families and communities see a witness of Christ's love as we continue responding during the long road to recovery.

