



337 congregations in the US and Canada engaged in biblical justice and advocacy action through the Climate Witness Project.

12 International Relief

Managers continued volunteer
training, worked on projects,
and traveled to disaster sites to
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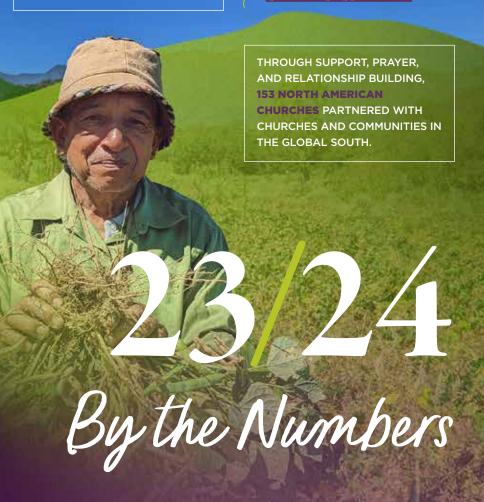
In development, we equipped faith and community leaders who offered opportunities for bold hope to 254,769 participants in 19 developing countries.

WORLD RENEW DISASTER
RESPONSE SERVICES
VOLUNTEERS REPAIRED AND
REBUILT 159 HOUSES DAMAGED
BY DISASTERS.

PARTNERING WITH 67 CHURCHES AND CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATIONS IN 2024, WORLD RENEW WALKED ALONGSIDE 559,987 PARTICIPANTS IN 1,305 COMMUNITIES IN 29 DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WORLDWIDE.

In disaster response, we assisted 305,218 participants who experienced natural and human-caused disasters in 21 countries last year. This includes emergency food, water, shelter, sanitation, economic assistance, home repair, rebuilding, and livelihood rehabilitation.

1,246 VOLUNTEERS DONATED 87,503 HOURS OF THEIR TIME TO HELP PEOPLE IN NEED WORLDWIDE. THAT IS THE EQUIVALENT OF ABOUT 36 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES FOR A YEAR. With your support, 148 refugees arrived and resettled in Canada through World Renew and 47 sponsoring groups submitted 204 new refugee sponsorship applications.



# Dear Friend of People Experiencing Poverty,

out with **bold hope** (II Cor. 3:12) to people living in poverty in 2024 through World Renew. We are compelled by God's **unrelenting love** (I Cor. 13:13) to offer opportunities for people to improve their lives, cultivate wellbeing, and build a future with hope. Your support, involvement, and prayers make it possible for World Renew to walk alongside our partners, communities, and participants for the long-term.

### The greatest of these is love.

#### I CORINTHIANS 13:13

In the pages of this ministry report, you will find just a few stories about people whose lives you were part of last year. Margaret Iloba, 54, is one of the people engaged with World Renew through an animal-raising project with our partner, Pentecostal Assemblies of God Church Uganda (PAG) in Teso.

Margaret belongs to a group in her community that received 10 goats and training in raising them. "As a mother of seven children, I felt blessed that my goat produced twins six months after I received it," she said. "Within two years, I had eight goats and today I have a herd of 52 goats. Recently, I sold seven of my goats to purchase a cow, which has also had a calf."

Margaret joined World Renew's program in 2010 with bold hope and a goat. She was struggling to fill her family's basic needs, pay for school fees, and feed



CAROL BREMER-BENNETT

Director, U.S.

her children each day. Thanks to your unrelenting love for Margaret, World Renew has been able to make longterm commitments to our partners, communities, and participants that create positive transformation over time.

"Two of my children have completed high school," Margaret said. "Now my son has a degree in medicine and works at a private clinic, and my daughter is pursuing a degree in hydrology. I am thankful to those who have provided this support. God bless you!"

Margaret is just one of the incredible people you will meet in these pages. Through your heartfelt generosity in 2024, World Renew joined with 559,987 participants in 29 countries worldwide who were experiencing deep need and brokenness. Yet in each community where we worked, we found Jesus already there, ready to embrace people like Margaret with his full, loving attention. He knows and remembers each person by name and calls us all to boldly work together for a better world.

By God's grace and with your continued support in 2025, World Renew will continue to press on to show mercy abundantly, commit to living justly, and walk humbly into God's transformative work around the world so that his redemption and renewal are experienced by all.

With bold hope because of God's unrelenting love,



JAMIE MCINTOSH

Director, Canada















Worldwide by 2030:
United Nations member states have committed to working towards 17 Sustainable Development Goals between 2015 and 2030. World Renew's ministry contributes to ten of the SDGs in transformative, Christ-centered ways. Find out how at worldrenew.net/sdg and worldrenew.ca/sdg.

# **Impact Framework**

VISION WORLD RENEW ENVISIONS A WORLD WHERE PEOPLE EXPERIENCE AND EXTEND CHRIST'S COMPASSION AND LIVE TOGETHER IN HOPE AS GOD'S COMMUNITY.

MISSION COMPELLED BY GOD'S DEEP PASSION FOR JUSTICE AND MERCY, WORLD RENEW JOINS COMMUNITIES AROUND THE WORLD TO RENEW HOPE, RECONCILE LIVES, AND RESTORE CREATION.





LAND, WATER, AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS









# **G** Community Health

Nutrition
Sanitation
Health Care
Childhood Stunting Prevention

#### **SANJHALI** IMPROVES HER HEALTH

Sanjhali Tudu, 29, and her husband, Kariya, were overjoyed to welcome a healthy baby boy last year. But life still held challenges for this young farming couple in rural India. Their income from day labor and fieldwork was humble. Early in her pregnancy, Sanjhali had struggled from poor nutrition and her health remained a concern.

#### For Sanjhali, bold steps brought new bounty.

Thankfully, Sanjhali was visited by a community health volunteer trained by a World Renew partner. The volunteer advised Sanjhali to get a health card and register at the local clinic. She also began to get regular checkups and catch up on her vaccinations. A blood test revealed that she was anemic.

World Renew and our partner also provided training in kitchen gardening in Sanjhali's community. She and 20 neighbors learned how to increase soil drainage and aeration. They used these new methods to plan their garden beds and their crops began to thrive. For Sanjhali, bold steps brought new bounty.



"I began to enjoy more vegetable-rich meals which led to improvements in my health, including an end to my struggle with anemia," Sanjhali said. With your support, Sanjhali's family and community improved their nutrition, overall health, and access to crucial systems of care. "I want to enable my whole family to benefit from this work, especially my children in their education."

# YACINE HELPS SAVE MOTHERS AND CHILDREN

In Senegal, many new moms and babies die every year. World Renew has not given up hope that such tragic outcomes can be prevented. Through our partners, we help train health volunteers called "Shining Mamas" to teach expectant families good health practices that can make all the difference in saving lives.

Yacine is one of these brave and skilled Shining Mamas. When she saw a pregnant woman picking up a 5-gallon (20-litre) jug of water, she advised the woman to do less heavy lifting. Later she saw the mother still doing this risky task. Boldy determined to help, Yacine went back to talk to the woman and her husband together.

## "I am very proud to be part of this program."

"The husband agreed that his wife would no longer do dangerous tasks alone. Later, I saw him carrying the water jug," Yacine said. Until after their baby was born, the husband did the heavy lifting. He learned a new way to put his love for his wife and child into action.

"I am proud to be a part of this program. It does extraordinary work for our communities," Yacine said. "I especially want to thank those who give us the opportunity to help our neighbors."



Tools and Training
Sustainable Farming Methods
Food Year-Round

#### **JOSMACK** FINDS NEW SOLUTIONS TO HUNGER

For years, Josmack Naso worked hard to support his family through day jobs and farming in rural Malawi. Still, he struggled to make ends meet. One of his costliest regular purchases was the fertilizer he used to grow food so his family could have enough to eat.

#### "Our goal is to create a community free from hunger."

Inspired by his enduring love for his family, Josmack started a bold new adventure: joining a facilitator training program offered by a World Renew partner. He worked together with others in this group to learn how to make their own organic compost with locally available resources. He and the other participants then learned how to teach more community members to try these same solutions.

"After attending the training, I made three bags of composted manure and bought 2 kgs (4.5 lbs) of maize seed. I worked hard in my garden and have harvested enough to feed my family during the lean season," he said.



"As a facilitator, I teach people in my village to reduce their reliance on expensive chemical fertilizers," Josmack continued. "Instead, we encourage using organic fertilizers, which are cheaper and better for the environment. Our goal is to create a community free from hunger."



### HALIMA HAS A STRONGER LIVELIHOOD

Halima, 27, lives with her husband, Najrul, and their two young sons in Sohilati, Bangladesh. The couple has a little land to grow rice and vegetables, but for a long time they were not able to meet their basic needs.

In 2021, Halima decided to explore a new pathway to improve their family's livelihood. She joined a women's savings group offered by a World Renew partner. Over time, the group's savings grew so that members could apply for low-interest loans to invest in improving their lives and livelihoods.

The following year, Halima also joined poultry-raising training that World Renew offered in her community. When she and Najrul decided to start raising ducks, Halima took a small loan from her savings group to purchase 300 ducklings.

Once the ducks started laying, Halima sold the eggs to earn more income. With additional training in bookkeeping from World Renew's partner, Halima is managing her finances wisely and has already repaid the loan from her savings group.

Halima's new business not only provides extra income, but duck eggs provide protein for their children so they can grow strong and healthy. Halima's entire family now has bold hope for the future.

# **Economic Opportunity**

Village Savings and Loan Associations
Savings and Investment
Training for Financial Stability
Adequate Income and Access to Work

#### **ARELY** CAN NOW SAVE FOR THE FUTURE

At 32 years old, Arely Blanco didn't know if she would ever have access to a bank account or savings. She was a young mother of two children who took pride in her formal education in English and pharmacy studies. But like many people in the community of León, Nicaragua, Arely was not saving for the future.

When World Renew's partner, the Nehemiah Center, began a savings and loan group (VSLA) in her community, Arely jumped at the chance to join. "I wasn't in the habit of saving," she said. "But thank God, and my pastors who motivated me to participate. We have saved enough to take and repay small loans from our group fund."

VSLAs can be a seed of Christ's unrelenting love and bring about lasting change for entire communities. Arely's group is learning new skills and becoming more self-reliant, but they are also improving their community by contributing to a community emergency fund.

"Thanks to the social fund, we helped a group member whose son was hospitalized. As members pay off their loans, we put some money in the social fund, which is a win-win for everyone," she said. "The VSLA improves our quality of life holistically."





Neosita has learned that it takes perseverance and boldness to work with others to end poverty.

In her community in Nebbi, Uganda, World Renew works with a church partner to develop savings and loan projects involving self-help groups. The groups focus on training and long-term savings growth rather than lending. As the groups grow, they join together to form larger associations that focus on community improvement.

Neosita's group, Yesueneyo Association, was trained through support from World Renew. The group members prioritized a project to help a village repair and fund the failing primary school. They met with parents, local leaders, and the community to talk about the school.

"The villagers contributed (UGX) 320,000 (\$87 USD or \$117 CAD) to fund the school's administration and operations," Neosita said. "The association manages the office and there is a sustainability plan in place: the community is starting a beekeeping project to help fund school activities."

The Yesueneyo Association is already at work on their next priority, a tree planting project. "We are continuing to learn and progress," Neosita said. "Thanks to support from World Renew and their partners, we are using our own funds, skills, and knowledge to raise community voices and champion ongoing development."

# **Economic Opportunity**

Trauma Care
Gender Equity Training
Antitrafficking Support
Civil Conflict Response
Advocacy

#### **TINA** FINDS HOPE AFTER ABUSE

Tina Siamujemu, a mother of four, knows the hardship of spousal abuse. She is not alone. About 43 percent of Zambian women are abused by their partner.

"After I got married in 2007, I was abused physically, verbally, and emotionally," Tina said. "My husband beat me and insulted me. He spent the income he earned on alcohol and girlfriends."

#### Tina took a bold step towards new peace.

Through our local Christian partner, World Renew is helping Tina and others to break free from abuse. Through a World Renew program, Tina learned about starting a small business to give her family a new income source. While she was working, her husband tried to molest his daughter. Thankfully, Tina had learned to recognize the signs of child sexual abuse. "His daughter went to live with her aunt, and he never succeeded in harming her," she said.



In response, her husband's behavior became worse. With support from her group, Tina gained confidence and then stepped away from her violent marriage to find new peace and safety for herself and her children. Many women like Tina need justice education and assistance to help themselves and others. Your support – given with unrelenting love – helps more of God's children move towards true gender equity.







# SREYMOM IS A CONFIDENT YOUNG LEADER

Sreymom Tith is a 12th grade student at PorThom High School in Svay Rieng, Cambodia, where World Renew's partners are facilitating youth programs.

Area youth and teens often drop out of school to find jobs to help support their families. Many migrate to urban centers or to other countries in search of work, but lack proper documentation or knowledge of risks such as human trafficking, exploitation, and abuse.

World Renew sponsors a program called Youth Countering People Trafficking (YCPT), focusing on educating young people in rural communities about these risks.

Sreymom is active in a YCPT program at her school. After training sessions and opportunities to work together with others in community research activities, Sreymom soon became a confident group leader. She was excited to conduct presentations and share ideas with her peers and community.

"I want to encourage young people to make every opportunity count," Sreymom said. "It is rewarding to contribute to your community, whether you educate yourself on social issues or raise awareness about key topics, we can work towards creating healthy interactions with people from all walks of life."





#### **BRIAN MAINA** IS FOOD SECURE

Kenya, where World Renew began working in 1972, has experienced prolonged drought since 2020, the worst in 40 years. To help communities cope with unstable weather, crop failure, and food shortages, World Renew pivots between development programming and disaster response to help rebuild resilience in times of crisis. By working through our long-term Christian partners, we reach families who are at risk for hunger and malnourishment.

In the Turkana region, extreme weather has been persistent and severe. Herding families there, who traditionally live a nomadic lifestyle, have lost their lives and their livestock to hunger. World Renew distributed 11 months of emergency food assistance in Turkana, but also helped to

organize communities to become more self-sustaining in the long term.

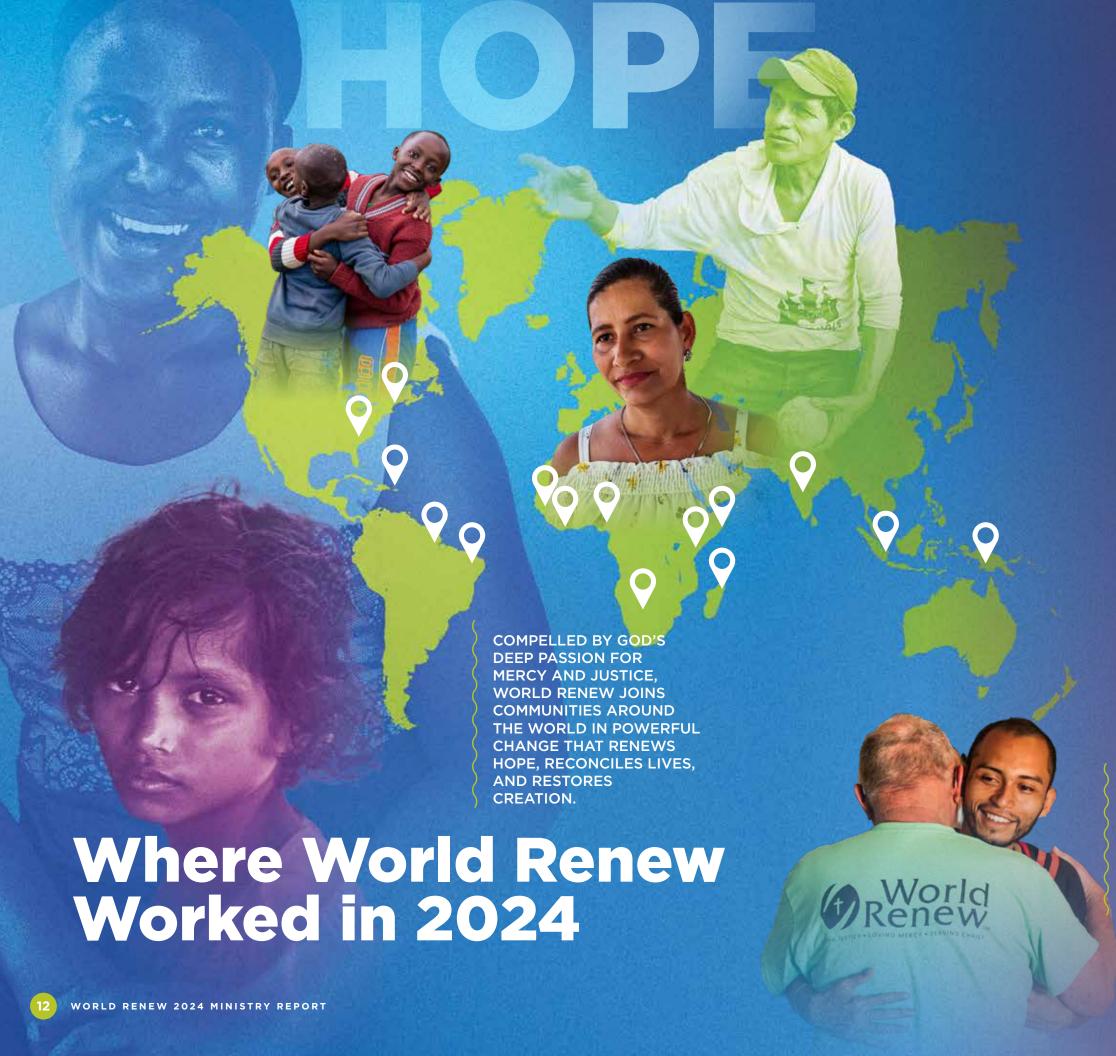
Brian Maina (23) joined a conservation agriculture project that a World Renew partner offered in his village. After completing high school, Brian wanted to continue his education, but he changed his path after taking a seasonal job on a tomato farm.

#### "Conservation agriculture helps us lead better lives."

Now Brian is a career farmer who is using conservation agriculture practices to help ensure that his own tomato farm remains sustainable.

"I grew up in a farm family," Brian said, "but we didn't know about conservation agriculture. Now I use crop rotation and a ground cover of velvet beans and cowpeas to fertilize the soil. The training I received from World Renew is helping me restore and retain the fertility and moisture of the soil, so I get more yield. There has been so much improvement!"

World Renew, our partners, and you are showing God's unrelenting love in helping families eliminate hunger and work towards food-secure communities. "This training helps us lead better lives," Brian said. "We are learning new farming practices that will allow us to build hope into the future. Families in my community are no longer hungry."



COUNTRY	DEVELOPMENT Partners	DEVELOPMENT Participants	DISASTER Participants	COMMUNITIES Served
Bangladesh	5	60,218	53,407	28
Cambodia*	2	3,641	-	19
Colombia	-	-	4,000	-
Canada**	-	-	-	-
Ethiopia	-	-	4,870	-
Guatemala	2	362	-	12
Haiti	4	3,979	330	24
Honduras	5	923	2,375	27
India*	2	17,825	2,042	6
Kenya	5	6,238	13,199	187
Laos*	1	8,896	-	33
Lebanon*	-	-	24,919	-
Madagascar	-	-	24,038	-
Malawi	2	14,156	7,311	35
Mozambique	1	3,500	-	43
Nicaragua	5	4,797	1,745	48
Nigeria	3	35,291	18,234	41
Senegal	2	7,777	-	18
South Sudan	-	-	18,320	-
Sierra Leone*	1	7,351	-	18
Syria	-	-	85,831	-
Tanzania*	3	4,357	20,975	241
Thailand	-	-	1,812	-
Uganda	7	11,928	2,123	66
Ukraine	-	-	1,641	-
USA***	-	-	1,833	-
West Africa I ****	4	20,558	-	157
West Africa II ****	3	26,473	-	154
Zambia*	3	16,499	16,213	148
TOTALS	60	254,769	305,218	1,305
		DISASTE	ER & DEVELOPMEN PARTICIPANT	

In addition to 60 board-approved partners, World Renew worked with 7 partners in research and development in 2024.

\*The number of participants may vary due to contextual restrictions, changes in grant funding, security, or partner transition. Participant numbers shown here represent all programs implemented in 2024.

\*\*World Renew supports Diaconal Ministries Canada.

\*\*\*World Renew DRS reports by household. Participant totals are calculated by multiplying by three the total number of households served. DRS served disaster survivors in the US in 2024.

Country name removed for security purposes.



# International Disaster Response

Immediate Aid Long-Term Rehabilitation Capacity Building

# A WORLDWIDE SNAPSHOT OF DISASTER RESPONSE IN 2024

LAST YEAR, OVERWHELMING levels of hunger, conflict, violent storms, and disasters put millions of people in vulnerable situations. More than 120 million people around the world were forcibly displaced, fleeing their homes because of danger, hardship, or the impact of changing weather patterns.

By God's grace and through partners, supporters, and staff, World Renew reached 303,385 people with disaster assistance internationally in times of crisis in 2024. We are thankful for our local partners as they extend our reach in supporting vulnerable communities worldwide.

We are also thankful for achieving certification in the Core Humanitarian Standard last year, standardizing our safeguarding and accountability measures. It is another way that World Renew is assured that we consistently offer hope and space for crisis-affected people to live with dignity.

BANGLADESH When Cyclone Remal struck Bangladesh, World Renew began helping to repair shelters and latrines and provided seeds to replace damaged crops. Through funding from the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, World Renew also started contributing to a 5-year Climate-Resilient Communities project by collaborating with a local partner. The project is improving food security through programs in climate-adaptive farming and animal husbandry and provides training in Disaster Risk Reduction.

ethiopia and Kenya World Renew and our partners successfully completed a crisis response that reached 4,045 households affected by drought. Our project partners shared their learning with other groups who implemented hunger projects in Somalia and South Sudan.

HONDURAS In response to drought in Honduras, World Renew launched a new electronic transfer system called Red Rose. The application equips participants to purchase food and goods from local vendors using electronic devices that make cash transfers quicker and more efficient in times of need.

MADAGASCAR AND NIGERIA Working together with our partners, World Renew ministered to 2,609 households, providing food and cash for food in vulnerable communities. The project also included training in micro-gardening, village savings and loan associations, micro-income-generating activities, fisheries, and blacksmithing. Our local partners joined with other participating groups in the area to complete a 5-month evaluation and learning process to review the program.

MIDDLE EAST In Gaza, World Renew partners provided critical medication at mobile health clinics. In Syria, where families are still recovering from the February 2022 earthquakes, our partners provided food and hygiene kits while also repairing and rehabilitating damaged homes. In Lebanon, the economic crisis eroded local currencies and food-insecure families received vouchers and e-cards to redeem for food at local shops.

small responses World Renew supported our existing local partners by implementing seven small response projects in Bangladesh, India, Nigeria, Thailand, and Zambia. The projects addressed flooding in four of these countries as well as a cyclone, displacement, and landslides. Our assistance included distributing food, water, shelter, hygiene items, basic necessities, and agricultural tools and seeds.

THAILAND World Renew responded to significant flooding in northern Thailand that caused damage and loss of livelihoods. World Renew is also responding to the needs of those who were displaced by ongoing conflict in neighboring Myanmar. Five hundred households received emergency assistance, and another 680 households received food and essential items last year.

UKRAINE World Renew and our partner assisted 100 people who were displaced by the Ukraine-Russia conflict. The projects helped participants open or expand a business. Sixty-three families also received financial support to catch up on rent payments, which is a crucial step in rebuilding their daily lives. The families resettled in more secure locations within Ukraine to better ensure their safety.



# WHERE WE WORKED IN INTERNATIONAL DISASTER RESPONSE IN 2024

TYPES OF RESPONSE

REGION/COUNTRY NUMBER OF DISASTER

REGION/COUNTRY	EGION/COUNTRY NUMBER OF DISASTER RESPONSES		TYPES OF RESPONSE		
Asia					
Afghanistan	1	Prolonged Crisis	Food, Cash Transfer		
Bangladesh	6	Prolonged Crisis	Economic Recovery, Nutrition		
		Storms	Sanitation, Agriculture, Health, Sustainability, Water, Shelter, Emergency Assistance		
India	5	Conflict, Floods, Prolonged Crisis, Resettlement	Economic Recovery, Cash Transfer, Emergency Assistance, Agriculture, Food, Nutrition, Psychosocial Support, Sanitation		
Pakistan	1	Drought	Cash Transfer		
Philippines	1	Storm	Sanitation		
Thailand	1	Conflict	Shelter		
Sub-Saharan Africa					
Democratic Republic of the Congo	2	Drought, Conflict	Agriculture, Economic Recovery, Cash Transfer, Agriculture, Food, Cash Transfer		
Ethiopia	1	Prolonged Crisis	Economic Recovery, Food, Psychosocial Support		
Kenya	2	Drought	Partner Support, Food		
Madagascar	2	Prolonged Crisis, Drought	Food, Sustainability		
Malawi	3	Prolonged Crisis, Storm	Cash Transfer, Food		
Nigeria	2	Prolonged Crisis, Conflict	Agriculture, Economic Recovery, Food, Sustainability, Nutrition		
South Sudan	1	Conflict	Economic Recovery, Food		
Tanzania	2	Prolonged Crisis	Agriculture, Economic Recovery		
Uganda	3	Prolonged Crisis, Drought	Agriculture, Economic Recovery, Food, Cash Transfer		
Zambia	2	Prolonged Crisis, Disease	Economic Recovery, Partner Support, Economic Recovery, Partner Support, Health, Sanitation		
Middle East and North Africa					
Lebanon	7	Prolonged Crises, Climate, Conflict	Food, Nutrition, Economic Recovery, Cash Transfer, Emergency Assistance, Psychosocial Support		
Palestine	3	Conflicts	Cash Transfer, Food, Emergency Assistance, Health		
Syria	7	Earthquake, Prolonged Crisis, Conflict	Food, Cash Transfer, Economic Recovery, Emergency Assistance, Psychosocial Support, Shelter		
Americas and the Caribbean					
Colombia	1	Prolonged Crisis	Economic Recovery, Food		
Haiti	4	Storm, Conflicts	Cash Transfer, Food, Emergency Assistance, Psychosocial Support, Economic Recovery, Sanitation, Shelter		
Honduras	1	Drought	Food		
Nicaragua	1	Storm	Agriculture, Health		
Europe					
Ukraine	4	Conflict	Emergency Assistance, Cash Transfer, Shelter, Economic Recovery, Psychosocial Support		

# Disaster Response Services in North America

A SNAPSHOT OF NORTH AMERICAN DISASTER RESPONSE IN 2024

GOD'S UNRELENTING LOVE for people recovering from disaster was visible across North America last year in the work of World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS). Romans 15:13 says, "We can overflow with hope as we are filled with all joy and peace by God." World Renew DRS offers bold hope to people in recovery by providing clean-up services and home repair to those who need it most.



In May 2024, the city of **Portage**, **Michigan**, was unexpectedly hit by more than one tornado. The twisters, up to EF-2 strength, injured 20 people and damaged or destroyed many homes and businesses. In response, DRS volunteers in the area mobilized several times to remove fallen trees and offer clean-up services to homeowners who needed assistance.





Early in the year, college students donated their spring break to families in need across North America through World Renew DRS. Students traveled around the country to complete home repairs in Florida, Kentucky, California, and other locations. After an EF-4 tornado hit **Rolling**Fork, Mississippi, in March 2023, volunteers from Hope College helped a woman named Linda, a widowed mother of four children.

DRS reconstruction volunteers spent the week with the students, teaching them repair skills such as installing exterior siding, laying floors, and painting interior walls. While the whole team made transformative changes on the tornado-damaged home, the students also brought hope to Linda and her family by simply spending time together, sharing meals, and assembling a new trampoline for the children.

#### In Sarasota County, Florida,

DRS continued to respond to families recovering from Hurricane Ian. In 2022, the Category-4 storm damaged or destroyed 35,000 homes and killed more than 150 US residents. Hurricane

Ian was a catastrophic event in people's lives and for many, the future was bleak.

This was certainly true for Gina, a homeowner in Sarasota. The wind from Hurricane Ian ripped the roof off Gina's house and flood water rose to two feet on the first floor. After sitting unrepaired for some time, the second-floor ceiling started to fall in from dampness and rot.

At first, there were no utilities hooked up to the house, and when the electricity was turned on, mold in the air conditioning unit made her family sick. Eventually, Gina's children had to move in with one of her church friends because of the environmental risks at home.

As World Renew began to work with the long-term recovery organization in Sarasota County after Hurricane Ian, DRS volunteers were assigned to complete the long-needed repairs to the roof, walls, and floors of Gina's house, making it healthy and safe for her and her children to come home again.

Gina was blessed by the help and hope she received from World Renew DRS. "I am so thankful for the volunteers," she said. "These repairs have been an answer to my ongoing prayers. God's family has helped me recover from this hurricane, finally."

# RECRUITING NEXT GENERATION LEADERS

Volunteer leaders are the lifeblood

of World Renew DRS's 52 years of successful ministry with disaster survivors across the US and Canada. In 2024, several dedicated, long-term volunteers who served as construction supervisors, on-site managers, and in other leadership positions concluded their disaster response journey with World Renew. However, nine new volunteer leaders are stepping up to help manage DRS reconstruction sites and unmet needs assessments in 2025. As these volunteer leaders gain experience and expertise, we thank God for their willingness to serve people in need each year through World Renew



### WHERE WE WORKED IN NORTH AMERICAN DISASTER RESPONSE IN 2024

#### **CLEAN-UP**

Chicago, Illinois

Cass County, Michigan	Tornado 2024

Flood 2023

#### **CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATING**

Sarasota, Florida	Hurricane Ian 2022		
Windsor, North Carolina	Various Storms		

#### **EQUIPMENT/REPOSITIONING**

Rio Grande Valley, Texas	Flood 2023
Rolling Fork, Mississippi	Tornado 2023
Sarasota, Florida	Hurricane Ian 2022
Whatcom County, Washington	Flood 2021
Windsor, North Carolina	Various Storms

#### **FACILITATED SITES**

New Bern, North Carolina	Hurricane Florence 2018	
Rolling Fork, Mississippi	Tornado 2023	

#### **GRANT CONTRIBUTION**

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sper &	Newton	Counties.	Texas	Flooding.	2024

#### RECONSTRUCTION

Boutte, Louisiana	Hurricane Ida 2021
East Detroit, Michigan	Flooding 2021
Floyd County, Kentucky	Flooding 2022
Fort Myers, Florida	Hurricane lan 2022
Madisonville, Kentucky	Tornado 2021
Mayfield, Kentucky	Tornado 2021
Mingo County, West Virginia	Flood 2021
New Bern, North Carolina	Hurricane Florence 2018
Paradise, California	Fires 2018
Picayune, Mississippi	Hurricane Ida 2021
Port Charlotte, Florida	Hurricane lan 2022
Rio Grande Valley, Texas	Flood 2023
Rolling Fork, Mississippi	Tornado 2023
Sarasota, Florida	Hurricane lan 2022
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#### EGIONAL MANAGEMENT

Florida	Hurricane Ian 2022, Hurricane Nicole 2022
Maine	Flood 2023, Flood 2024
Vermont	Flood 2023, Flood 2024

#### SPECIAL PROJECTS

Warehouse Volunteering
Valoutees Management

Volunteer Management

#### UNMET NEEDS ASSESSMENTS

Hardee, Florida	Hurricane Ian 2022
Lee County, Florida	Hurricane Ian 2022





# **REFLECTIONS** OF LIVING WATER IN KENYA

When First Christian Reformed Church (CRC) in Red Deer, Alberta, visited their partner church, St. Mary's, in Ikurungu, Kenya, in August 2023, they celebrated a shared achievement: the completion of a water well that transformed the community.

The Red Deer congregation learned about Ikurungu's urgent water needs through World Renew's church partnership program in 2018 and committed to funding a well with \$85,000 CAD (\$63,750 USD). As a result, the village commissioned a solar powered well. Then in 2023, the partners also installed reserve water tanks so that the community can store water for use in dry seasons.

"Our new well brings real, life-sustaining change..."

The Ikurungu villagers say, "Our new well brings real, life-sustaining change in our community. It is more than a resource—it reflects the promise of Jesus, the Living Water that brings eternal life." Through their church partnership with World Renew, First CRC and St. Mary's Church have brought transformative change to Ikurungu, fostering faith, hope, and unity across continents.



#### **SANDY** INSPIRES SERVING LOCAL FAMILIES

In 2024, World Renew facilitated a webinar series called *Food, Faith and Justice* with congregational and food systems leaders in North America. One webinar presenter and member of the Christian Reformed Church (CRC) in New Era, Michigan, Sandy Whitaker, noticed that despite being a farming community, much of the locally grown produce was leaving the community, and many people lacked access to fresh fruits and vegetables.

Sandy used her experience and passion in community health to inspire New Era CRC to start a community garden and farmers market to serve local families.

"We wanted to increase people's access to fresh food and give local farmers and gardeners an opportunity to sell their goods," Sandy said. "The New Era market is one of three farmers markets in our county that accepts produce benefits from low-income households who qualify for nutritional assistance." The program also offers cooking classes through the University of Michigan's extension service, senior's programs, family entertainment, and children's activities.

As a follow-up to the webinar series, World Renew is piloting a Food Justice and Community Growing project with four churches in the U.S., equipping them in neighborhood engagement, local food systems, and justice-oriented food ministry.



#### **REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP** TRANSFORMS LIVES

2024 marked a milestone for World Renew: Over the last 45 years, we welcomed 11,000 refugees to Canada. Every one was filled with God's relentless love and hope, as churches and newcomers become neighbors. West End Christian Reformed Church (CRC) in Edmonton, Alberta, is one congregation who welcomed refugees last year through World Renew, sponsoring an Eritrean family who resettled there.

"Refugee sponsorship will bless you immensely."

"Sponsorship will bless you immensely," said Margo DeMoor, a sponsor from West End church. "You will not only be a blessing to the families you sponsor, but they will enrich your life and faith as well."

"The best part of being in Canada is that we feel safe and can let go of our fears," said an Eritrean family member. "Our windows are open, our children ride their bikes freely, and our girls love their schools."

IN 2024, World Renew celebrated the results of an organizational assessment by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC). Our "Zero Risk" status allows us to continue working with sponsors in providing refugees with safety, protection, and hope for a better future through sponsorship and resettlement.

#### JOSEPH STEWARDS GIVE HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

Joseph Stewards is a community of more than 700 enthusiastic, dedicated supporters who have invested in the future with World Renew. Joseph Stewards set aside a portion of their estates to help end global poverty by addressing food security, peace and justice, economic opportunity, community health, and disaster response.

#### "God fulfills his promises through your generosity."

Every year, Joseph Stewards, like faithful farmers, plant seeds of hope that will grow over time. Through their generosity, we have continued to grow our impact and see the lives of many people change for good. To find out how you can become a Joseph Steward and help to uncover the hope in every story, contact Willemiena McCarron in the U.S. at 616-916-5377 or email wmccarron@worldrenew.net. In Canada, contact Loise Githinji at 289-816-6183 or email plannedgifts@worldrenew.ca.





#### **THE NGETS** RENEW HOPE FOR GENERATIONS

Repeated disappointments can rob families of hope, but through World Renew, God fulfilled his promises to people in need with generosity like yours in 2024.

Chantha and Thea Nget live in Cambodia with their two children and Thea's widowed mother. Chantha dropped out of school, ending his dream of becoming a teacher. The couple started farming to earn a living, but they struggled to meet their basic needs.

In 2020, the Ngets joined World Renew's Free A Family® program. After implementing the farming and business practices they learned, the couple began to enjoy increased crop yields, a thriving poultry business, and steadily growing income.

"I'm grateful for opportunities to better support ourselves," Chantha said. Thea and Chanta look forward to a future where their daughter, Kinta, 13, can realize her dream of becoming a doctor and their son, Kinmai, 8, can become a professional.

Thank you for joining 1,287 families in the U.S. and Canada to extend God's love and hope worldwide in 2024. Your gifts of more than \$750,000 USD helped families in Asia, Latin America, and Africa experience God's unrelenting love for them.

# Thank you!

#### MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATIONS

ACT Alliance The Alliance to End Hunger Barnabas Foundation Christian Stewardship Services Integral Alliance UK Link Charity Micah Network

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#### **LEGACY SUPPORTERS**

#### Joseph Stewards

Baker Family Funds—World Renew is grateful for gifts to the Baker Agriculture, Livelihoods, Maternal and Child Health, and Justice Funds which go to programming and innovation efforts over a 10- to 15-year period. Gifts from the Baker Estate create a legacy of hope in every story.

Canadian Foodgrains Bank—CFGB is a partnership of Canadian churches and agencies that supports international programs, influences policies, and engages Canadians in ending hunger. As a member of Foodgrains Bank, World Renew committed a total of \$16,132,668 (CAD) in resources to food-related programming in 17 countries last year.

Growing Hope Globally (GHG)—World Renew appreciates GHG's partnership through local growing projects that engage subsistence farmers in the world's poorest regions. Last year, GHG supported World Renew with \$419,090 (USD) in food security programs in Bangladesh, Cambodia, Guatemala, Kenya, Nicaragua, Senegal, and West Africa.

Refugee Sponsors—With your support, World Renew and sponsors helped 148 refugees resettle in Canada, and 47 sponsoring groups submitted new sponsorship applications for 204 refugees. Of the 204 refugees, eight were sponsored through the Blended Visa Office Referred Program. Refugees resettled through World Renew in 2024 were primarily from Afghanistan, Syria, and Eritrea.

#### **DISASTER RESPONSE SUPPORTERS 2024**

Adventist Development and Relief Agency
African Inland Church Tanzania
Anglican Development Services
Canadian Reformed World Relief Fund
Carolina Rebuilding Ministry
Cass County Emergency Management
Catholic Relief Services Ethiopia
Church of Jesus Christ Madagascar
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Craven County Disaster Recovery Alliance
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Eagles Relief and Development Programme
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Evangelical Fellowship of India Commission on Relief

Faith Community Disaster Recovery Faith in Action

Florida United Methodist Conference Floyd County Long Term Recovery Group Food for the Hungry

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Hopkins County Long Term Recovery Group
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The work of World Renew depends on your involvement, support, and prayers. You make God's unrelenting love visible to people who live with poverty, hunger, and injustice. Their stories of bold hope, and ours, bring glory to God. We are deeply grateful and blessed to be in the ministry of serving others with you because of Christ. Thank you!

# **Financial Information**

#### FIVE-YEAR SOCIAL IMPACT GRID

	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
<b>Planned Participants</b>	205,562	177,147	247,581	242,196	252,874
<b>Actual Participants</b>	254,769	221,652	261,033	263,943	274,495
Planned Budget	\$5,811,083	\$5,808,821	\$5,728,008	\$4,945,245	\$5,412,564
<b>Actual Expenses</b>	\$6,538,789	\$5,522,492	\$4,619,259	\$4,290,850	\$4,477,458
Number of Communities	1,305	1,200	1,339	1,275	1,326

### 2024 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS\* BY REGION

			LATIN	SOUTHERN	WEST
	ASIA	AFRICA	AMERICA	AFRICA	AFRICA
Food Security	63,893	22,523	8,136	28,553	33,119
Health	72,961	4,126	3,201	11,565	34,857
<b>Economic Opportunity</b>	58,283	17,245	7,594	25,790	26,397
Peace and Justice	44,851	15,215	5,931	34,155	55,015

\*Participant totals are related to program intervention points and may indicate more than one intervention per person over time.



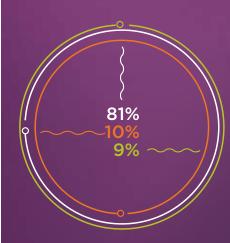
### WORLD RENEW CERTIFIED AGAINST CORE HUMANITARIAN STANDARD

In August 2023, World Renew was awarded certification in the Core Humanitarian Standard. The CHS is a globally recognized, measurable standard of quality and accountability in assisting people affected by crisis. World Renew is the first organization in Canada and second organization in the US to achieve certification. We are grateful for greater means of accountability and commitment. For more information, go to **corehumanitarianstandard.org.** 



WORLD RENEW RANKED AMONG CANADA'S TOP 100 CHARITIES
IN INTERNATIONAL AID BY CHARITY INTELLIGENCE IN 2024.
FOR MORE INFORMATION, SEE CHARITYINTELLIGENCE.CA.

IN 2024, 81 PERCENT OF EACH GIFT YOU GAVE DIRECTLY BENEFITED PEOPLE IN NEED. THE OTHER 19 PERCENT SUPPORTED WORLD RENEW'S CORE MISSION THROUGH ADMINISTRATION AND FUNDRAISING. NINE CENTS HELPED TO ADMINISTER OUR PROGRAMS EFFECTIVELY AND 10 CENTS OF EACH DOLLAR RECEIVED PROVIDED YOU WITH COMMUNICATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY ABOUT HOW YOUR GIFTS WERE USED.



These figures are derived from the combined financial statements for World Renew according to USA GAAP. As such, they may vary from those in the World Renew Canada audited financial statement. The income received from Foodgrains Bank each year may vary slightly from the project amount committed.

At the end of the fiscal year 2023-2024, World Renew had an overall income deficit of \$4.5 million USD. Our total donor-restricted international disaster funds decreased by a net \$1.2 million USD and unrestricted operating revenues decreased by approximately \$3.3 million USD.

World Renew is a registered charitable organization in Canada. (Registration Number 11885 7366 RR0001.) A charitable tax receipt is issued for gifts received in Canada. World Renew is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization in the United States. Donations received in the U.S. are tax deductible. Funds are spent only in board-approved programs and projects.

Spending of funds is confined to World Renew board approved programs and projects. Each contribution directed towards an approved program or project will be used as restricted with the understanding that when the need for such a program or project has been met or cannot be completed for any reason as determined by the World Renew board, the remaining restricted contributions will be used where most needed.



#### WHERE OUR RESOURCES CAME FROM

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

	US IN USD	CANADA IN CAD	COMBINED IN USD	COMBINED IN
Gifts	9,714,079	7,361,460	15,140,217	20,540,227
Disaster Response	853,621	11,641,973	9,434,928	12,800,052
Estates	2,937,442	2,046,424	4,445,862	6,031,554
Grants	2,194,351	4,099,094	5,215,796	7,076,097
Miscellaneous	2,417,738	468,402	2,762,997	3,748,467
TOTAL REVENUES	18,117,231	25,617,353	36,999,800	50,196,397

#### July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

US IN USD	CANADA IN CAD	COMBINED IN USD	COMBINED IN
10,714,026	7,149,061	16,026,153	21,567,997
2,999,837	21,151,054	18,716,180	25,188,235
4,664,530	1,467,805	5,755,186	7,745,329
2,605,897	190,216	2,747,237	3,697,232
2,029,533	491,696	2,394,889	3,223,042
23,013,823	30,449,832	45,639,645	61,421,835

#### WHERE OUR RESOURCES WENT

July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024

	US IN USD	CANADA IN CAD	COMBINED IN USD	COMBINED IN CAD
Overseas Development	10,745,075	4,841,544	14,313,781	19,419,029
Domestic Development	0	325,834	240,172	325,834
Disaster Programs	3,916,452	16,402,901	16,007,042	21,716,221
Education and Justice	2,405,234	796,939	2,992,658	4,060,040
Fundraising	2,881,771	1,705,747	4,139,078	5,615,350
General and Administrative	2,260,891	2,070,755	3,787,246	5,138,030
TOTAL EXPENSES	22,209,423	26,143,720	41,479,977	56,274,504

July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023

US IN CANADA IN CO

US IN USD	CANADA IN CAD	COMBINED IN USD	COMBINED IN CAD
10,455,101	4,589,050	13,865,006	18,659,525
0	362,505	269,360	362,505
4,843,633	21,700,783	20,968,453	28,219,344
1,358,000	1,085,282	2,164,421	2,912,878
2,841,633	1,658,630	4,074,082	5,482,900
2,114,155	1,253,978	3,045,926	4,099,208
21,612,522	30,650,228	44,387,248	59,736,360

World Renew's net assets were US \$39,084,337 (or \$53,545,542 CAD) in the 2023-2024 fiscal year. Find our most recent audited financials at worldrenew.net and worldrenew.ca, or call us for more information.

Note: World Renew relies on gifts and offerings to support its work and does not receive Ministry Shares from the Christian Reformed Church in North America.



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