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# ANNVERSARY REPORT

**HUMANITY FIRST CANADA** 

2004-2024



Inauguration of a hand pump in Cameroon



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Students of Ecole Humanity First, Itali, Congo Brazzaville



Post-Disaster Pakistan

Rehabilitation Project in



Meat Distribution in Tanzania



Cataract surgery patients benefiting from the Gift of Sight program, Kano, Nigeria



Health lesson being taught at our Maternal & Child Care Clinic in Chandina, Bangladesh



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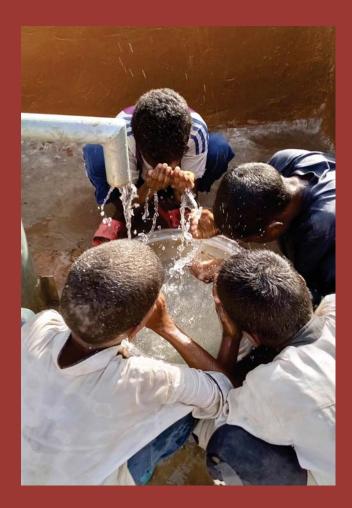
# Humanity First Serving Mankind

20 YEARS OF RESTORING LIVES & BUILDING COMMUNITIES 2004-2024

# **ABOUT HUMANITY FIRST**

### MISSION STATEMENT

HUMANITY FIRST IS A NON-POLITICAL. NON-RELIGIOUS AND NON-SECTARIAN INTERNATIONAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO PROTECTING AND PROMOTING HUMAN WELL-BEING. DIGNITY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE WORLD'S POOREST AND MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS.

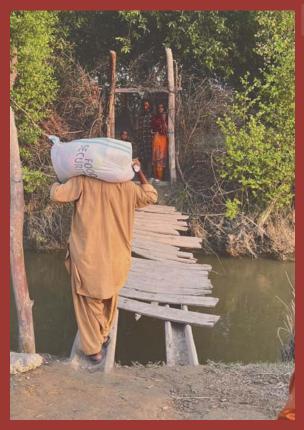


OUR EXPANSIVE NETWORK OF VOLUNTEERS, SPANNING 62 NATIONS, EMPOWERS US TO SWIFTLY MOBILIZE HUMANITARIAN AID AND FOSTER RESILIENT COMMUNITIES THAT THRIVE ON SELF-RELIANCE AND SUSTAINED DEVELOPMENT, GOING BEYOND FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS ALONE.

OUR CORE MISSION IS TO SERVE DISASTER STRUCK AND SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED PEOPLE IN UNDER-DEVELOPED COMMUNITIES AROUND THE WORLD.



# WHO WE ARE



#### **OUR MISSION**

Humanity First undertakes focused and resultsoriented development programs that promote and seek to build stronger communities in which individuals are engaged and in-tuned in helping those in need through responsible, caring, and skilled volunteers. Humanity First Canada is committed to these core themes, guiding our dedicated service to Canadians and the global community

- 1. Poverty Reduction: Enhance the economic potential of individuals and families by closing the gap between poverty and prosperity.
- 2. Disaster Relief: Relieve human suffering caused by natural disasters and/or conflicts by providing urgent and long-term assistance.
- 3. Education & Training: Providing and enhancing opportunities to underprivileged individuals around the world through education and training.
- 4. Promoting Canadian Values: Become flag-bearers of Canada and promote essential Canadian values of unity, kinship, and generosity without regard to race, religion, or ethnicity across the globe and show Canada's commitment to the human race.

#### **OUR VALUES**

- 1. **Impartial**: We are committed to delivering support and resources to all communities, embracing diversity and ensuring inclusivity without bias towards ethnicity, belief systems, or political affiliations.
- 2. Efficient: We maximize the impact of every donation by leveraging the specialized skills of our dedicated volunteer network.
- 3. **Collaborative**: Our partnerships with local authorities and other NGOs around the world allow us to achieve the best possible outcomes.
- 4. Global & Local: By integrating global and local expertise across distinct cultures, we customize our projects to meet the needs of each community.
- 5. **Empowerment**: We empower communities by equipping them with tools they need to create a resilient and sustainable future.



# **OUR OBJECTIVES**

### CREATING LONG-TERM SOLUTIONS

empowering communities to thrive independently



### PROVIDING IMMEDIATE RELIEF

suffering caused by natural disaster and human conflict





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# WHERE WE ARE

Humanity First helps people in need through 9 programs, each of which tackle different areas of human need. Based in Vaughan, ON, Canada our programs create strong positive changes within Canada and internationally as well.



**Internationally,** we collaborate with community leaders to empower underserved communities and foster self sufficiency.

**In Canada,** we uplift and support our most vulnerable populations including, but not limited to, newcomers, seniors, children and low-income families.



#### IN LAST 20 YEARS HUMANITY FIRST CANADA HAS OPERATED IN:

Bangladesh Bahamas Belize Brazil Burundi **Burkina Faso** Canada Cameroon Chad **Congo Brazzaville DR Congo** Ecuador **Equatorial Guinea** Fiji **French Guiana** Gabon Haiti Honduras Indonesia **Ivory Coast** Jamaica Japan Jordan Kenya Liberia Madagascar Malaysia Nepal Niger Nigeria Pakistan Paraguay **Philippines** Senegal Sierra Leone Somalia Tanzania Thailand Trinidad Turkey USA

# THE TEAM

Humanity First is a volunteer organization made up of professionals from all walks of life who consistently donate their time, skills and resources to the cause. With over 12,000, Humanity First is able to maximize the value of all of our resources.

#### NATIONAL TEAM

The National Humanity First Team consists of Directors for the following departments:

- Disaster Relief
- Administration
- Programs
   (There is a coordinator for each of the nine programs)
- Finance
- Logistics
- **Operations** (There is a country coordinator for each of the country HF Canada is operating in)
- Fundraising
- Marketing
- Information Technology

#### **REGIONAL TEAM**

Humanity First has branches across Canada, and each branch consists of a coordinator for:• Programs• Disaster Relief• Fundraising

#### **DISASTER RESPONSE TEAM**

Humanity First has an experienced disaster response team that is consistently at the forefront of providing relief. It consists of:

- Disaster Response Lead
- Camp Managers
- EMT Lead

- Doctors
- Nurses
- Paramedics

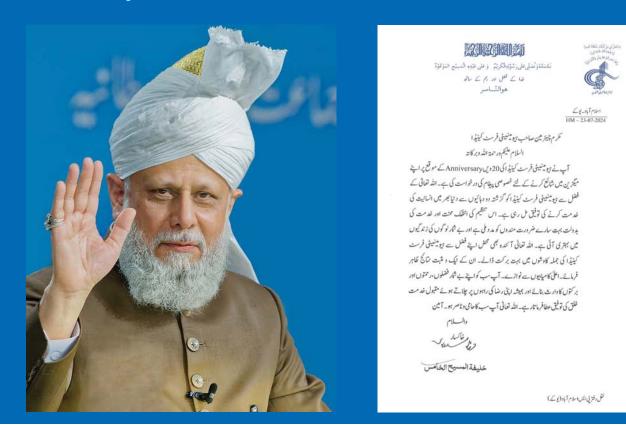
- Logistics
- Personnel Firefighters
- Security







#### Special Message From The Supreme Head Of The Worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Syedna Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aa)



July 23, 2024

#### To,

**Chairman of Humanity First Canada!** 

Assalamo Alaikum wa Rahmatullah wa Barakatuhu,

By the grace of Allah, for the past two decades, Humanity First Canada has been able to serve humanity around the world.

Due to the relentless hard work and services of this organization, lot of needy individuals have received the help, and lives of countless people have significantly improved.

May Allah with His sheer grace, continue to abundantly bless all the endeavors of Humanity First Canada in future and bring good and positive results to all of their efforts.

May Allah bless Humanity First Canada with superior successes.

May Allah make all of you the recipient of His countless blessings, grace and mercies and bounties. May He always grant you the ability to walk the paths of His pleasure while enabling you to continue your accepted services to humanity.

May Allah be your Protector and Helper. Ameen.

With prayers, Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad Khalifatul Masih V (aa)

#### Message from National President of Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada



Dear Volunteers of Humanity First Canada,

It is with great joy and heartfelt pleasure that I extend my warmest wishes to Humanity First Canada on the occasion of 20th anniversary of Humanity First Canada.

The mission of Humanity First completely aligns with the teaching of Holy Qur'an that directs us to serve the poor and the needy. This was exemplified by the character of Holy Prophet Muhammad (sa).

For two decades, Humanity First Canada has shown unwavering commitment to humanitarian aid and disaster relief, positively impacting countless lives. The remarkable efforts of Humanity First Canada volunteers in providing

essential services such as disaster relief, food security, healthcare, education, and community support have not only alleviated suffering but also brought hope and dignity to those in need.

The tireless work and the spirit of compassion that drives Humanity First Canada are truly inspiring. As we celebrate this significant milestone, our prayers are with you that May Allah bless you with extraordinary achievements and enable you all to continue to make the profound difference in communities across Canada and around the world.

May this 20th anniversary be a celebration of your past accomplishments and a beacon for future endeavors.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community has always supported the good work of Humanity First and I look forward to seeing Humanity First marching towards an even brighter and a more compassionate world.

Congratulations once again, and may Humanity First Canada continue to thrive and expand its noble mission for years to come. Ameen!

With best wishes, *'Signed by'* Lal Khan Malik National President Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada



#### **Message from Chairman Humanity First International**



Dear Members of Humanity First Canada, Assalamo Alaikum

I warmly congratulate the entire HF Canada team on reaching the incredible milestone of 20 years of service. As we celebrate this momentous occasion, we reflect on two decades of unwavering commitment, remarkable growth, and a profound impact on communities worldwide. What began as a modest endeavor has flourished into a dynamic organization dedicated to transforming lives across the globe. Your tireless efforts have left an enduring legacy, and we are proud to share in this achievement with you.

By the grace of Almighty Allah, HF Canada has initiated numerous projects over the past 20 years focused on alleviating suffering, promoting education, providing healthcare, and uplifting those in need. It is truly commendable to see HF Canada's swift response to over 50 global disasters, serving more than four million people across Africa, Asia, the Middle East, and the Americas.

The local 'Feed A Family' Food Bank program has been successfully operational for over 16 years, currently providing food support to over 3,000 people monthly, with the dedicated assistance of local volunteers. During the COVID-19 pandemic, HF Canada rose to the challenge, delivering monthly food ration packs across Canada and various parts of the world under the #HFCARE campaign.

Humanity First Canada has made significant contributions to refugee resettlement in Canada, providing vital support to families as they start new lives. The organization has also excelled in delivering healthcare services, particularly through the Masroor Hospital in Senegal, with plans to further expand these facilities in the coming years. Additionally, under the 'Knowledge for Life' program, which focuses on empowering local communities through training and capacity building, the HF Canada team has successfully completed the construction of 10 schools and skills centers, furthering education and skill development.

These milestones would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our dedicated volunteers, generous donors, and invaluable partners. Your generosity and commitment have been the bedrock of HF Canada's success, enabling us to reach approximately 5 million beneficiaries. We are profoundly grateful for your trust and dedication.

#### **Message from Chairman Humanity First International**

Humanitarian relief agencies, including Humanity First, face significant challenges worldwide caused by human conflicts, climate change, and increasing poverty.

However, with the continued support of our volunteers and donors, we shall endeavor to extend our reach, deepen our impact, and continue to be a beacon of hope for those in need and restore a smile on a face or remove a tear from some eye. Humanity First is now established in over 65 countries, and HF Canada is always at the forefront, supporting multiple HF operations in Asia, Africa, and the Americas. Humanity First International is particularly grateful to Chairman, Dr. Aslam Daud sahib, and the executive board for their unwavering continuous support and cooperation.

All these achievements would not have been possible without the special blessings of Allah and the guidance and inspiration of His Holiness, Hadhrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad, Worldwide Head of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community who continues to breathe fresh life into our efforts and lead us to scale much greater heights. May Allah continue to be his Helper.

Thank you for being an integral part of the Humanity First family. Together, we can continue to make a difference.

Sincerely, *'Signed by'* Ahmad Yahya Chairman Humanity First International



# A WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Dear Donors, Supporters, and Volunteers,

As we commemorate the 20th anniversary of Humanity First Canada, I am profoundly grateful for the incredible journey we have embarked on together.

Your steadfast support, boundless generosity, and unwavering dedication have been the bedrock of our accomplishments, empowering us to make a difference in the lives of countless individuals worldwide.

Over the past two decades, your contributions have propelled Humanity First forward, driving the success of our nine humanitarian programs.

From delivering clean water to remote communities in need through our Water for Life initiative, to educating children and shaping their futures with Knowledge for Life, each program stands as a testament to our collective resolve to uplift lives and nurture hope.

In moments of crisis and disasters, your swift response has provided essential relief and aid through our Disaster Relief efforts, offering solace and assistance to those confronting unimaginable hardships.

Through our Orphan Care program, we have created nurturing environments and provided crucial support to vulnerable children, ensuring they can thrive despite their circumstances.





Your compassion has also been pivotal in addressing the urgent issue of food insecurity through our Food Security program, confronting hunger and malnutrition head-on specially through our unique Food Bank in Canada and Feed the Hungry program in Africa. Our Global Health initiatives have tirelessly worked to enhance healthcare access and promote well-being in underserved communities worldwide.

Through the Gift of Sight, countless individuals have regained the precious ability to see, opening new avenues of possibility and opportunity for a brighter future. Our Refugee Resettlement efforts have provided refuge, dignity, and a fresh start to those fleeing conflict and persecution, embodying the essence of compassion and solidarity.

Lastly, our Community Care program has cultivated a sense of belonging and support, enriching the lives of individuals and families within our local and global communities.

While we celebrate our achievements, our journey persists, with many more lives to touch and dreams to realize. As we look at the future of humanity, let us remain steadfast in our commitment to forging a world where every individual can flourish, irrespective of their circumstances.

Once again, I extend my deepest gratitude to each of you for your unwavering support, unwavering dedication, and steadfast belief in our shared vision. Together, we have sparked change and will continue to illuminate the path forward restoring communities, building a future and most importantly by putting "Humanity" first!

With heartfelt appreciation,

Dr. Aslam Daud Chairman Humanity First Canada July 1, 2024



# OUR 20 YEAR IMPACT



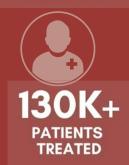








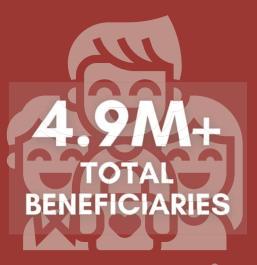
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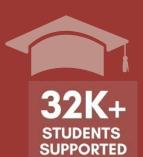
9K+ FOOD BANK CLIENTS REGISTERED







**3K**+ EYE SURGERIES





800+ FOOD DRIVES HELD









**30K**+ HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS SUPPORTED

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# **HUMANITY FIRST** PROGAMS

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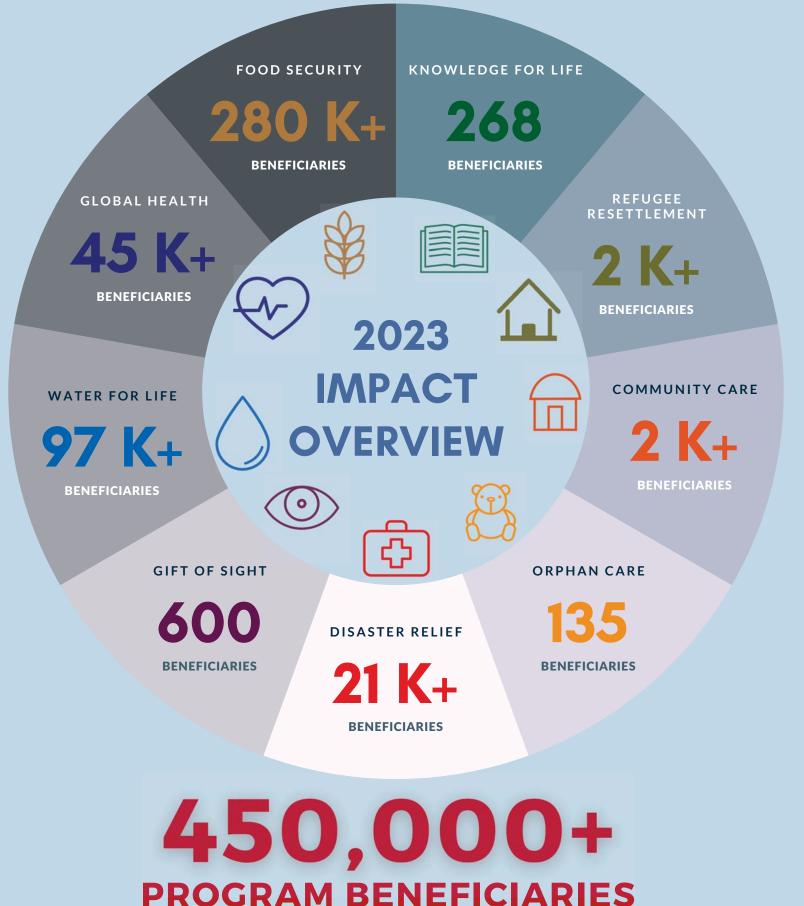
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# **2023 IMPACT**









Pakistan Flood Relief Post Rehabilitation Project 2023









# DISASTERS RESPONDED TO 50+

# COUNTRIES 24+





Humanity First has extensive experience in providing emergency and long-term support after natural and human made disasters. Our relief is carried out in two phases;

- 1. **Emergency response:** As first responders the Humanity First team helps victims by providing medical care, food support, clean water and emergency supplies.
- 2. **Post-disaster recovery & rehabilitation:** The Disaster Relief team continues their mission by rebuilding shelters and restoring infrastructure and survival resources of afflicted communities.

The program is built to minimize human suffering and material losses as much as possible.

2005

#### Pakistan Earthquake

On October 8th, 2005, a disastrous earthquake struck the Pakistanadministered portion of the Kashmir region, the North-West Frontier Province in Pakistan as well as parts of India and Afghanistan. In Kashmir, at least 79,000 people were killed and more than 32,000 buildings collapsed.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- Medical Relief provided to 75,000+ victims
- 350,000+ meals served
- 520 tons of relief supplies distributed
- 39,000+ people provided tents and temporary housing
- A tent city was established for 6 months for 800+ individuals
- A neurosurgical unit established in Al-Abbas hospital, Muzaffarabad
- Educational & extracurricular activities organized for displaced children
- Mass wedding ceremonies held for displaced populations



#### Hurricane Katrina

Hurricane Katrina was a devastating Category 5 Atlantic hurricane that caused 1392 fatalities and damage estimated between \$97.4 billion to \$145.5 billion.

#### **Beneficiaries:**

- 18 doctors & 50+ non-medical volunteers responded to the disaster for more than 45 days, helping 1,000+ individuals with medical care.
- 8 trucklods of relief supplies were delivered to several shelters

2006

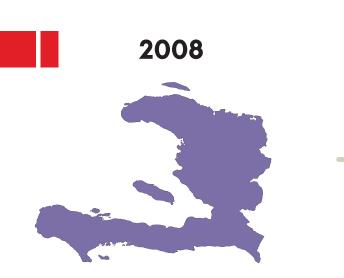


#### Kenya Flood

Devastating floods swept through Somalia, Ethiopia, Kenya, and parts of surrounding countries starting at the end of October 2006 and continuing through December, as the short rainy season unleashed unusually heavy rains. According to the United States Agency for International Development, as many as 1.5 million people were affected by these floods

#### **Beneficiaries:**

1200 victims were served food, water clothing and medical supplies in Nandorera.



#### Haiti Hurricane

Disastrous tropical storms swept through Haiti in 2008, resulting in dangerous mud slides and flooding; HF responded promptly providing both immediate and long-term relief in disaster stricken areas.

**Beneficiaries:** 330 Families provided emergency supplies, water purification tablets, food and cash



#### **Bangladesh Cyclone Sidr**

Cyclone Sidr hit the coast of Bangladesh and affected an estimated 5.5 million people. HF provided survivors with basic supplies, shelter and clean water.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- Provided medical aid to 1,050 families
- Served over 48,000 litres of water
- Distributed 3,960 non-food items
- Provided 16,050 units of food
- Supplied over 350 blankets
- Set up 330 water purification units
- Distributed 3,960 non-food items



#### **Bangladesh Cyclone Aila**

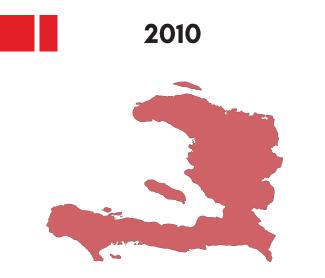
Cyclone Aila struck Bangladesh in 2009, killing 330 and leaving a further 8,208 people missing and over 1 million homeless. HF responded by sending a team of 18 first responders, including 2 doctors and 10 army personnel.





#### **Beneficiaries:**

- Tents for temporary shelter provided to 700 people
- 17 homes reconstructed
- Total beneficiaries: 1600 people



#### Haiti Earthquake

On 12 January 2010, a 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti, leaving its capital Port-au-Prince devastated. About 220,000 people were reportedly killed.

More than 150 volunteers (Doctors, fire fighters, paramedics, nurses, logistics and security personnel) were deployed to Haiti for relief work.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- Treated injured patients and distributed food, water and clothing to thousands in 16 camps in remote areas.
- Treated over 27,000 patients at the Humanity First Clinic, Mobile Camps and Hospitals.
- Medical supplies worth more than \$250,000 were distributed.
- 3300 Aqua boxes containing everyday necessities for a family of four for 4 weeks were distributed.
- Assisted in distributing meals to more than 8,000 people.
- Supported 7 orphanages and one school with relief supplies, including clothing, food, diapers, water purification kits, toys and other essential items.
- Water filtration unit was installed at Da Da Duo camp.
- Overall, relief and aid has been provided to over 50,000 Haitians, valuing more than 1.2 million dollars



#### Pakistan Flood

Pakistan Floods of 2010, flooding of the Indus River in Pakistan in late July and August 2010 that led to a humanitarian disaster considered to be one of the worst in Pakistan's history.

The floods, which affected approximately 20 million people, destroyed homes, crops, and infrastructure and left millions vulnerable to malnutrition and waterborne disease









#### **Beneficiaries:**

- Provided shelter to 1,137 families & 1340 families were provided water treatment systems
- 2,400 LifeStraw and 1,100 mosquito nets were provided
- Over 150 tons food aid was distributed
- 2 tent villages were established
- More than 700 small scale farmers were assisted to restore 2,000 acres of arable land
- 110 new hand pumps were installed
- 400 homes were rebuilt



#### Brazil Flood

In January of 2011, severe floods and mud slides occurred, reporting to be one of the deadliest disasters in Brazil in over 40 years.

#### **Beneficiaries:**

- 70 kitchen kits
- 500 new clothing for women, children and men
- Over 300 gift packs to kids (including snacks, toys and school kits for children)





#### Japan Earthquake

In March of 2011, Tsunami spawned by one of the largest earthquakes ever recorded slammed Japan's eastern coast, sweeping away people, cars and homes while widespread fires burned out of control.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

The HF team delivered over 60,000 hot meals, water, blankets emergency relief and sanitary supplies to thousands of victims on daily basis.



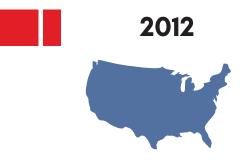
#### Typhoon Washi

Typhoon Washi and flash floods affected the Northern Mindanao Province of the Philippines which is not the usual path of typhoon in this country. This typhoon is considered the most devastating typhoon to hit the country in 2011. The residents of the area were unaccustomed to cyclones which further complicated the situation.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

Emergency relief packages consisting of food rations, blankets, water, milk, canned food, pasta and juices were distributed to 400 families



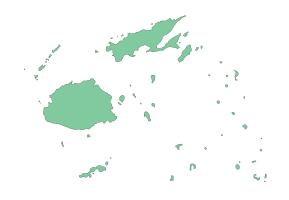
#### **Hurricane Sandy**

Hurricane Sandy claimed over 100 lives in the USA. It hit the shores of New York and New Jersey on the 29th October 2012, causing floods, fires and leaving millions of residents without electricity and the basic necessities of life for months.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF served over 9,000 meals with the help of 5,400 volunteers
- 80+ houses, several parks and streets were gutted and cleaned up.
- Over 35 tons of aid was delivered to homes in New York and New Jersey serving over 2,000 victims



#### Fiji Floods

In late March 2012, severe flash-flooding caused loss of life and widespread damage to property, businesses and community infrastructure in and around Fiji's international tourism destination, Nadi.



- HF distributed mattresses, groceries, clothing and school supplies
- Books and stationery were distributed to 10 schools in Sigatoka and Nadi



#### Typhoon Bhopa

Typhoon Bopha, known in the Philippines as Super Typhoon Pablo, was the strongest tropical cyclone on record to ever affect the Philippine island of Mindanao affecting over 6.2 million people and over 210,000 houses were damaged or destroyed.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

500 families were assisted with relief supplies, food and water.



#### Nigeria Floods

The 2012 Nigeria floods began in early July 2012 and killed 363 people and displaced over 2.1 million people. The floods were termed as the worst in 40 years, and affected an estimated total of seven million people.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- Relief supplies were distributed to over 1,000 displaced victims
- Supplies included food, mattresses, gas stoves and medication
- A medical camp was also run treating thousands of patients

2013



#### Oklahoma Tornado

Oklahoma was ravaged by a tornado with wind speed up to 210 miles/ hour, falling into the category of the strongest tornadoes measured. 24 deaths were confirmed including 9 children, 377 injured and the city of 55,000 was devastated by the storm.

- HF gave out \$10,000 gift cards to victims to rebuild homes and essentials
- More than 20,000 meals were served using 50,000+ pounds of food
- 3 schools were supported with grants helping 500+ students
- School supply, book, food and coat drives were organized to help the affected victims and to raise awareness



#### Typhoon Haiyan

On Friday, November 8, 2013, Typhoon Haiyan devastated a large path through the middle of the Philippines. A State of National Calamity in Samar provinces, Leyte, Cebu, Iloilo, Capiz, Aklan, and Palawan. This disaster left the country with 11 million people affected.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- 10,000+ people provided with clean drinking water
- 20,000+ people received food and clothing
- 600 fămilies given Water Survival Boxes with household supplies
- 400 homes rebuilt
- 300 children received school supplies
- 700 blankets distributed
- 1 large capacity electric generator installed
- 1 school building and daycare center repaired
- Electrical grid repaired to restore power supply

#### 2014



#### Following the immediate emergency response to the major disaster, HF initiated a long-term rehabilitation project with the support of the Canadian Government in the provinces of Capiz

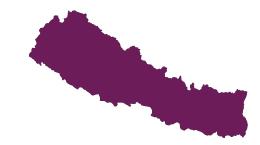


#### **Beneficiaries:**

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- Rehabilitated 2 schools serving 250 to 300 students each
- Repaired a daycare center on Olotayan Island
- Constructed 284 transitional light material shelters





#### Nepal Earthquakes

On Saturday, 25th April 2015, a powerful earthquake measuring 7.8 on the Richter scale struck 40 miles northwest from the capital Kathmandu in Nepal and was also felt in India and China. This earthquake affected 8 million people, 8,000+ were killed and over 22,000 were injured.





#### **Beneficiaries:**

- More than 6000 survivors were provided emergency relief and medical assistance.
- 500 Aqua Survivor's Boxes were distributed to the affected families with proper orientation on how to use them.



#### Typhoon Melor

Typhoon Melor, also known as Typhoon Nona in the Philippines was a Category 4 tropical cyclone that struck the Philippines in December 2015. 98,000 homes were destroyed, 279,000 houses were damaged, 700,000 people fled to evacuation centers and 42 people were killed.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- 425 Aquaboxes and 20 Aqua filters were distributed
- 425 affected families received assistance in 7 barangays



#### Ecuador Earthquake

A 7.8 M earthquake hit the central coast of Ecuador on April 16, 2016, killed over 550 people, injured and displaced thousands, and caused extensive damage to buildings and infrastructure. Within 48 hours of the earthquake, Humanity First Canada dispatched a disaster response team to help the victims of the earthquake.



- Water purifier installed at a small clinic in Crucita
- Provided potable water to 3,500 people
- Fed<sup>'</sup>1,250 people
- Built 2 latrines and 2 showers
- Distributed 300 blankets
- Distributed clothing for 150 people
- Provided 2 day shelters
- 350 families received mosquito repellant
- Assessed 10 communities for current and future needs



#### **Cyclone Winston**

On the 21st of February, a severe Tropical Cyclone Winston category 5 cut a path of destruction across Fiji blowing off roofs, bringing down trees and powerlines, and flooding rivers. It was the strongest tropical cyclone to make landfall in Fiji and the South Pacific Basin in recorded history. Whole villages were destroyed on the island of Koro. 42 people were dead and more than 350,000 were affected and sheltering in 424 evacuation centres.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- 187 food packages were distributed in the villages of Koro Nabita, Bodalevu, Neleinga Delaivuna and Qarawalu
- 25 food packages were distributed in the villages of Nwakawau &Vuna



#### **Hurricane Matthew**

Hurricane Matthew struck the country of Haiti on October 4th 2016 with torrential rain, massive storm surge and winds up to 235km/h. This massive storm affected approximately 2 million people, including more than 800,000 children.



- A total of 31,500 beneficiaries received assistance
- 2 NOAH Water Purification Units Installed to provide potable drinking water
- 600 Chlorine based water purification units distributed in the most affected regions where HF along the Holland Navy were the first organizations to provide Relief Aid
- In partnership with the Swiss Red Cross and WFP (World Food Program), a total of 150 tons of Relief Aid goods were distributed
- HF Medical personnel visited medical facilities in all the above mentioned regions with the Holland Navy and provided medical assistance and guidance as well as distributed basic medical supplies
- 5500 pieces of Antiseptic soap distributed for Cholera Prevention
- Provided 200 Water Purification Units and 1000 purification solutions



**Montreal & Ottawa Floods** 

Montreal and Ottawa were hit by deadly floods in 2017, affecting more than 300 homes and leaving both cities in the state of emergency.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF deployed a team of 48 aid workers to Montreal, who were able to provide relief to 3000+ people.
- In Ottawa, a team 40 Aid workers was deployed, who were able to provide assistance to 1000+ people
- Both teams assisted with cleanup and recovering assets in more than 12 houses, and placed more than 3200 sandbags to protect houses from the rising water levels.



#### Rohingya Floods

In August 2017, armed attacks, massive scale violence, and serious human rights violations forced thousands of Rohingya to flee their homes in Myanmar's Rakhine State. Many walked for days through jungles and undertook dangerous sea journeys across the Bay of Bengal to reach safety in Bangladesh.



- Humanity First installed fifty-six tube wells in Kutupalong 1, Kutupalong 2 and Hindu camps of Ukhia, benefitting over 22,500 individuals
- 81 latrines were installed benefitting over 16,000 individuals
- Humanity First served hot cooked meals to Kutupalong Hindu camp for ten days, benefitting over 27,000 refugees
- Under 2 medical camps, over 21,000 individuals received free healthcare and medicine
- Furthermore, over 220,000 individuals benefitted through other activities like, distribution of daily essentials, sprinkling of bleach powder to avoid spreading the germs, etc.



#### Kenya Drought

Over 2.6 million Kenyans suffered from extreme thirst and hunger due to the protracted drought, which was declared a national disaster.





#### **Beneficiaries:**

- 5 tons of food including rice, maize meal, beans, oil and flour, was distributed to 100 households
- 160,000 liters of water was distributed to 2,462 households



#### Somalia Drought

In 2017 a drought ravaged Somalia that left more than 6 million people, or half the country's population, facing food shortages with several water supplies becoming undrinkable due to the possibility of infection.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

550 families were distributed food in bulk with the help of volunteers of SCERDO, benefitting over 1600 individuals



#### Typhoon Mangkhut

Typhoon Mangkhut, known in the Philippines as Super Typhoon Ompong, was a powerful and catastrophic tropical cyclone that caused extensive damage in Philippines



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF distributed emergency food supplies, cleaning drinking water, hygiene and cleaning supplies, and N95 Facemasks to 250 families



#### Hurricane Dorian

Hurricane Dorian was an extremely powerful and catastrophic Category 5 Atlantic hurricane, which became the most intense tropical cyclone on record to strike the Bahamas.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF deployed an EMT Type 1 team which provided emergency medical relief to 100 people for 36 days
- Clinic restoration & transfer to locals
- Partnerships with WHO, PAHO, Dutch Navy, and Ministry of Health



#### Davao Earthquake

The province of Davao del Sur on the island of Mindanao in the Philippines was struck by an earthquake measuring 6.8 Mww. At least 13 people were killed and another 210 injured.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF transported Aquabox filtration systems for the contaminated water
- 800 food relief packages were distributed, assisting 4000 individuals

#### 2020



#### Taal Volcano

Taal Volcano in Batangas, Philippines began to erupt on January 12, 2020, when a phreatomagmatic eruption from its main crater spewed ashes over Calabarzon, Metro Manila, and some parts of Central Luzon and Ilocos Region.

- HF distributed food supplies 761 families
- 245 families received Aquaboxes





#### Indonesia Flood Relief

Flash floods occurred throughout the Indonesian capital of Jakarta and its metropolitan area on the early hours of 1 January 2020, due to the overnight rain which dumped nearly 400 millimetres of rainwater, causing the Ciliwung and Cisadane rivers to overflow.

#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF distributed medical, school supplies, basic relief supplies and 3000 food hampers.
- A total of 5000 victims were assisted



#### **Cameroon Landslide**

West Cameroon experienced a downpour of torrential rain, leading to fatal and destructive landslides. Over 40 people were killed, and entire neighborhoods were destroyed.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF provided construction material to 50 families for them to regain shelter, benefiting over 250 individuals



#### **Philippines Fire Relief**

Families all across the island of Jolo were displaced by a large fire that devastated seaside communities in the Sulu Province. Affected families were left homeless, sheltered in evacuation centers over a long period of time.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF provided 200 families with critical relief items, including blankets, hygiene kits, clothing, clean water and tents.



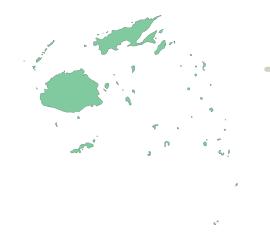
#### Hurricanes Eta & lota

Honduras experienced two back to back category 4 and 5 tropical storms, Hurricanes Eta & lota. The storms causes destruction across the country, resulting in 100 deaths and many more injuries.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF ran a two week clinic, treating 750 \_\_\_\_\_\_
   victims across 11 municipalities.
- The team donated medication to local health office & distributed 150,000 water packs to 7,500 families, totaling 30,000 individuals.
- HF conducted a water & sanitation damage assessment in 14 municipalities.
- Two water purification units were also installed providing 10,000 liters of clean drinking water daily to the victims



#### Fiji Cyclone Relief

Tropical Cyclone Yasa, the secondstrongest cyclone on record to make landfall in Fiji, slammed into the island nation on December 17, 2020, leaving a trail of devastation likened to a war zone. The cyclone Displaced 10,000 people and caused an estimated \$100 million in damages.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF provided emergency food support to the victims as well as construction material to rebuild their homes, assisting 30 families



#### **Philippines Typhoon Relief**

4 back-to-back typhoons attacked Philippines causing mass devastation and severe damage to the country, impacting 3,000,000 individuals.



**Beneficiaries:** HF provided food support by delivering food supplies to 450 families.



2021



#### **Senegal Fires**

Various villages in the region of Tambacounda caught fire causing many villagers to become homeless after losing their huts, yearly storage of food ration, and all other household belongings.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF assisted 29 affected families across 7 villages, aiding 236 victims by providing food packages, mattresses, pots and pans, buckets, and clothing.





#### **Malaysia Storms**

The Malaysian cities of Klang and Shaha Alam were hit by heavy rain and windstorms, resulting in flooding of the local highways and roads. Approximately 5 million people were directly affected by the flooding and infrastructure damage, and 17 lives were taken.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF volunteers helped many families in the affected area in relocation to temporary shelter sites
- 300 volunteers came forward to plan a community cleanup of the damaged properties and roads
- Over 400 meals and other relief items were distributed daily to volunteers and the affected families



#### **Senegal Storms**

the region of Tambacounda was hit by severe winds and storms over a period of many days. As a result roofs of several houses and huts were blown off,o and tw children were killed.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF Senegal set up an aid distribution program in collaboration with the government administration, distributing food and hygiene supplies to a total of 55 families of 18 villages.



2022



#### **Madagascar Flood**

Madagascar received intense rainfall due to two different tropical weather systems causing flooding, landslides, destruction of infrastructure, and loss of life.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF sent a response team of two individuals and with the help of HF Madagascar distributed relief packages to over 500 families consisting of food and other necessities.



#### Brazil Flood

More than a month's worth of rain fell in a few hours in Petrópolis in Brazil on 15th February, causing widespread flooding and dozens of landslides. The town recorded 210 mm of rain in 3 hours, causing 38 fatalities and displacing over 300 people.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF provided 100 emergency food hampers, 500 children snack packs, 100+ hygiene supply kits, and 50 warm blankets to the affected families, totaling 1000 individuals



#### **Pakistan Flood**

During the heavy rainfall of the monsoon season, various regions of Pakistan faced levels of flooding that were unprecedented in the country's history. Over one-third of the country was submerged under water, with 33 million affected and over 1,500 individuals killed.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF distributed food, clean water, temporary shelter, mosquito nets, and water purification tablets.
- 75 emergency medical camps were held throughout the country, treating over 34,000 victims of the flooding.



#### **Belize Flood**

In late June 2022, the Northern District of Belize came under heavy rains and strong winds linked to the passage of a tropical wave. The prolonged rain and windstorms caused widespread flooding in the Orange Walk and Corozal Districts of Belize.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF provided relief and assistance to the victims of the floods over one week, helping 500 families across the two districts.
- 500 pantry bags were distributed alongside clean water and clothing



#### **Bangladesh Flood**

Within the span of one month, the people of Sunmaganj District faced three major flooding events due to repeated heavy rainfall and onrush of upstream hilly waters, leaving thousands of villagers trapped in their homes.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF distributed 100 emergency food hampers, 500 children snack packs, 100+ hygiene supply kits, 50 warm blankets.



#### Nigeria Flood

Beginning in late September, Nigeria suffered its worst flooding in a decade, forcing 1.4 million people from their homes. The Kogi & Rivers states were among the worst-affected areas.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

HF distributed 600 food hampers, over 11,000 hot meals, 20 mattresses, 500 clothing items, provision of Medicare to over 500 patients, and medicine for an additional 1000 patients.



#### **Russia-Ukraine Crisis**

Throughout 2022, the people of Ukraine faced a grievous crisis brought on by ongoing conflict in the country. An estimated 6.5 million Ukrainians faced internal displacement, with many forced to flee



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF provided warm meals, hygiene kits and supplies, and emergency medical treatment, benefitting over 26,000 refugees.
- Locally, the HF Canada Feed a Family Food Bank has been providing food support to Ukrainian Refugees who have settled in the Greater Toronto Area.

2023



#### Turkey Earthquake

Turkiye experienced a devastating earthquake that shook the nation to its core. Over 50,000 individuals lost their life and over 16,000 individuals were injured.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF provided Mobilization of personnel and resources to assist with search and rescue, medical support, temporary shelter, and water and food insecurity.
- HF ran 2 medical camps in Osmaniye and Antakya, assisting hundreds of patients every day through medical assistance and provision of emergency survival kits and supplies
- HF also partnered with IDRF Canada and a local organization International Blue Crescent (IBC) to provide homes by transforming 50 containers into fully furnished shelters for families living in informal settlements, largely in tents and makeshift shelters.



#### Burkina Faso Terrorist Attack

Terrorists invaded a Mosque of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community in Burkina Faso, killing nine worshippers in an unprovoked and cold-blooded attack. The victims' families were immediately removed and relocated to another location of 15 acres of land in Dori Town.

#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF assisted the displaced families with food, shelter and educational support for their children.
- HF is conducting a post-disaster rehabilitation assessment and project that will be focusing on building shelters to accommodate 109 families, install a drinking water and solar energy supply system; rehabilitate the existing six (6) classroom primary and other activities pertaining to the increase of skills for livelihood of the victims.



#### **Bangladesh Terrorist Attack**



A community in Bangladesh was was attacked by terrorists and 210 families' houses were burnt by Anti-Ahmadiyya groups in Panchagargh District.

#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF Team provided emergency relief and daily meals. 700 ppl were served 4 meals a day during the Ramadan month: Iftar, dinner, sehri and breakfast for children and elderly.
- Furthermore, a relief, rehabilitation, and resettlement project has been launched for the affected community



#### **Senegal Fire**

In March 2023, three villages of the region of Tambacounda were affected by wildfires.



#### **Beneficiaries:**

- HF distributed clothes for 250 people and provided food assistance to 40 families.
- Over 500 individuals from 3 villages benefitted from these supplies that were distributed through 15 volunteers.



#### Pakistan Flood Post Rehabilitation

Humanity First Canada is actively engaged in constructing shelters for the families affected by the floods. With resilience and determination, 500 houses have already been built, marking a significant milestone in our ongoing project.



## TURKEY EARTHQUAKE - POST DISASTER REHABILITATION PROJECT 2023











### **NIGERIA CLOTHING BANK**



In April 2022, Nigeria inaugurated the HF Emergency Clothing Bank in the city of Lagos. This Clothing Bank was initiated as a Post-Disaster Rehabilitation Project following severe, long-term flooding across the country. The project is helping the community's capacity in the face of extreme weather events by building a reserve of clothing items that can be distributed amongst affected populations whenever disaster and destruction hit.

The HF Clothing Bank is established across two Operation centers located in Abuja and Port Harcourt cities, with four additional centers set to open in the coming months in Ilorin, Ibadan, Ijebu, and Kano cities. These Clothing Bank Operation centers include collection, laundry, dry cleaning, and storage facilities.



Since 2022, the Disaster Relief team conducted clothing & collection drives, collecting over 40,000 units. Over 100 Disaster Relief volunteers gave 50,000+ hours toward the Clothing Bank, conducting 30 collection drives, after which over 8,000 units were cleaned and distributed to 9,000+ beneficiaries. These efforts benefitted over 6,000 total families in 15 local communities across six states.

### **DISASTER RELIEF TRAINING COURSE**



HF offers a Disaster Response Training course to various professionals for potential future deployments. This course includes various classroom seminars and practical workshops and covers topics such as Disaster Classification and Management, Medical topics such as Trauma Management, Treatment of Injuries and Women's Health in Disasters and Logistical topics such as Camp Planning and Management, Convoy Procedures and much more.

Members are also engaged in practical exercises such as base camp setup, MRE lunches, media exercises and medical treatment camp management. HF Canada's Emergency Medical Team (EMT) is WHO certified, and our training is a collaborative effort with HF International and other disaster relief organizations. These collaborations are essential in making sure that HF disaster relief volunteers are equipped to provide the best, most efficient assistance.

## WHO EMT TYPE-1 FIXED CERTIFICATION

HF Canada is currently in the final stages of receiving the EMT Type 1-Fixed certification, authorized by the World Health Organization. Once complete, Humanity First Canada will be the first North American EMT Type 1 Fixed Team. This designation will allow HF to execute disaster relief medical missions with increased capacity and provide the highest quality of medical care at the site of a disaster.

HF Canada has acquired another unit for Disaster Relief equipment, supplies and to increase the local capacity as a Disaster Relief Training center.















## WATER WELLS BUILT 406

# COUNTRIES 7



The Water for Life program aims to make water an accessible necessity for all. HF provides long-term water solutions in remote villages and poor communities in Africa, South East Asia, and Central & South America, where the nearest clean water sources are miles away. The water solutions we provide include hand pumps, boreholes with electrical motors, water wells, water filtration systems, and water filtration tablets.

Our short-term goal is always to provide communities with access to water to fulfill their daily needs. HF's long-term goal is to enable these communities to provide for themselves and become self-sufficient over time. Thus, the water solutions implemented are not only long-term fixtures within the areas, such as water wells and hand pumps. The Water for Life Team also provides locals with long-term maintenance training to enable their independence.





Source Of Water For Villagers Before The Construction Of Water Well













































## INDIVIDUALS FED 1,930,000+

# COUNTRIES 16+





The Food Security program helps people below the poverty line to put food on their tables. Humanity First achieves this through several food support initiatives including food banks, mobile meals, and bulk food distribution to disadvantaged communities.

These efforts are carried out on both an international and local scale in an effort to tackle the growing issue of food insecurity. About 2 billion people around the globe are food insecure. This means that one in four people lack consistent access to nutrition, impeding their ability to lead a healthy life.

Humanity first provides food support to such individuals through its Feed the Hungry Program, Feed a Family Food Bank, and Feed the Homeless initiative.

#### LOCAL PROGRAMS

#### Feed a Family Food Bank

Humanity First Feed a Family Food Bank has been operating since 2008, providing monthly food support to the low or no income residents of Canada through custom food lists, seven days a week. In addition to servicing walk-in clients, the food bank also delivers monthly food hampers to clients who cannot access the food support programs.

Further to the food support, Humanity First also offers supplementary support such as winter & regular clothing, household supplies, transit tickets or presto cards, grocery cards books, school supplies, and toys provided to low income families.

The food bank's volunteer program offers priceless real life work experience. Ultimately, allowing the volunteers to develop into professionals with diverse skills. For example, volunteers receive training regarding customer service, data entry, using computer software, client-based applications and maintaining complete professionalism in the workplace.

Humanity First offers internships and studentplacements to university/college students who are pursuing a career in any field, especially social services. The students are given the opportunity to put into practice their theoretical learning they have gained through their school program.

#### Feed the Homeless

Since 2008, Humanity First has been serving hot meals to homeless people across various communities in Canada through a wide range of volunteers and university clubs. In addition to the freshly cooked meals, care packages, relief supplies, blankets, winter clothing is also distributed.





30,000+ Meals Provided

#### **INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM**

#### Feed the Hungry International

Feed the Hungry is HF Canada's international food distribution project, characterized by the provision of fresh meat and other staple food items in remote villages and towns in various countries around the world.

Additionally, the Qurbani program executed under the Food Security program provides thousands of individuals every year with fresh meat.





1,800,000+ Individuals Fed































































### HAZRAT MIRZA MASOOR AHMAD<sup>ad</sup> INAUGURATES THE HUMANITY FIRST CANADA FOOD BANK



On July 15, 2008, the supreme head of the worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, Syedna Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aa) (the fifth caliph), inaugurated the Humanity First Canada Food Bank and headquarters. This was the first major property of Humanity First globally. His Holiness visited the office and inspected food shelves in the food bank. Following the inauguration, a meeting was held with over 100 volunteers for further guidance and guidelines. At the end, some food and refreshements were served to everyone.











## PATIENTS TREATED 130,000+

# COUNTRIES 5



The Global Health program tackles several aspects of healthcare to provide comprehensive solutions to communities worldwide. The program primarily operates in economically disadvantaged areas in Africa and South Asia. The aim is to provide primary health care and meet other preventative and medical needs, such as oral health and maternal and child health care. We achieve this through operating Mobile Medical Camps, regularly donating medical equipment to hospitals/clinics, and building new hospitals/clinics.









#### Nigeria

One medical centre, a cottage clinic, has been in operation in Okooko Village, Oyo State since 2017. This centre provides basic medical care to the less fortunate, free of cost.

#### Bangladesh

HF Canada is operating two community-based Mother Child Healthcare clinics in Bangladesh since 2018, providing primary health services to disadvantaged and marginalized populations.

#### **Congo Brazzaville**

Since 2018, HF Canada has been operating a 10-bed medical center and pharmacy in Congo-Brazzaville. This clinic provides basic healthcare and medicine to underprivileged locals who would not have access to such services otherwise.

#### Senegal

Masroor Hospital is a 30-bed facility operating in Roufisque (near Dakar), Senegal since 2019. The hospital is providing primary and specialized healthcare services to the less fortunate.

#### **Ivory Coast**

In December 2021, Humanity First began construction on the Masroor Centre for Health, a state-of-the-art hospital that will provide ease and relief to the lives of deprived communities where there is a need for a full-service highquality healthcare facility.

Early priorities include maternity, orthopedics, and pediatric services supported by a range of facilities including diagnostics, surgical theatre and pharmacy.





~ Medical Facilities



60+ Medical Camps



\$50,000+ Medical Equipment Donated

#### **Services Provided**

- Outpatient
- Medical, Surgical & OBGYN Wards
- Emergency Surgical Theatres
- ICU
- X-RAY, Ultrasound & Lab Facilities
- Consultation
- Pharmacy
- Laboratory Services

### SENEGAL HOSPITAL

































































## EYE SURGERIES COMPLETED 3000+

# COUNTRIES 2





The Gift of Sight program provides vision restorative services and support in underserved communities, where they are otherwise difficult to reach. As of 2018, the program is largely characterized by cataract eye surgery camps we set up throughout the year in Nigeria.

In Canada, the program is focused on providing eyeglasses and other vision support to vulnerable members of Canadian society. We provide vision support to low-income families, seniors, and children in the Greater Toronto Area. In conjunction with the HF Refugee Resettlement program, newcomers are also provided with vision restoration support along with other healthcare services.























































### SCHOOLS BUILT 10

## COUNTRIES 11





The Knowledge for Life program supports underprivileged children in their educational and academic needs. Children shape our future, thus access to education for every child is extremely important. As with all of HF's programs, the goal of Knowledge for Life initiatives is to enable the economic independence of those in need. HF fulfills its vision of helping underprivileged children in their educational endeavors by building schools, providing vocational training, and taking on classroom transformation projects.





#### **Congo Brazzaville**

Humanity First operates two schools in Congo, located in Village Itali and Village Instiana. These are the only schools providing primary education in these areas.

#### Haiti

Masroor Primary School, located in Village Beauchamps is situated 400 KM from the capital city of Port-au-Prince and has a capacity of 100 students.

#### Nigeria

HF Canada operates two schools in Oyo State, Nigeria, in Village Iye-Osa and Village Igbo-Oruwo.

#### Kenya

In partnership with Centres for Health and Edu Programs Kenya (CHEP), HF completed the "Rebuilding and Repair Project" at Hawewanje Primary School. The project included constructing a 4-toilet restroom and repairing old restroom flooring and a classroom. 350 students are currently benefiting.

#### **Sewing Center**

A new Sewing Centre was inaugurated in Nkayi City, Congo Brazzaville. The Centre has a capacity of 15 students who can obtain training at a time from the Sewing Teacher. Efforts are being made to arrange transportation to and from the Sewing Centre in order to increase the accessibility of this training program to those living in the surrounding remote villages.

# Supplies

**Received School** 

7,000+

20+ Vocational Training Programs





20+ Classroom Transformation Projects

Students Educated

15,000+









### HUMANITY FIRST SCHOOLS IN NIGER, HAITI & CONGO BRAZZAVILLE



































































### REFUGEES RESETTLED 2,754

## COUNTRIES 10+



Forced displacement is a global issue that has only been increasing in severity and scale over the last few decades. War, civil unrest, targeted persecution, and political corruption, are all contributing factors to the global forced displacement of entire populations, turning ordinary citizens into refugees. They flee their homes and leave everything behind in hopes that one day they will live lives of peace and security once again.

Humanity First offers these individuals exactly what they need – hope.

Humanity First acts as a doorway for refugees looking for a chance at a better life away from all the bloodshed back home. Humanity First offers refugee families safety with dignity, care with compassion, support with respect, accommodation with comfort, training for employment, and education with hope. No stone is left unturned as Humanity First allies with all of its programs in order to provide for all of the needs of its refugees, even before their arrival in Canada.

### TESTIMONIALS FROM SPONSORED REFUGEES



My name is Sana Saqib and I am from Pakistan. Due to religious discrimination in Pakistan, my family and I moved to Malaysia in 2016. After receiving my Refugee status, I was able to start my sponsorship process through Humanity First Canada and we arrived in Canada in 2021.

The Humanity First team received us at the Airport and settled us in our new home. The home was furnished with all of the necessary household items, kitchenware, utensils, toys, groceries, etc.

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The Humanity First team also provided us with winter jackets, snow shoes and every other necessary item needed. They also helped us complete all of our early settlement paperwork and guided us on how to start

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Our life in Canada has been filled with blessings as we are able to practice our religion freely and live a content life and this is all because of Humanity First.





My name is Asgar Mahmood and I live in London, Ontario with my family. In 2012, due to religious discrimination I was forced to leave my country and move to Thailand as a refugee. Due to not having a Work Permit in Thailand, we faced many difficulties in accessing the basic necessities of life such as food, clothing, education for kids, etc. Life in Thailand was full with hardships, depression and disappointment.

During this hard time, we heard about private sponsorship that could be done through our relatives living in Canada. Through Humanity First Canada, my brother residing in Canada started this process. Humanity First Canada's representative guided us through each step and process and we arrived in Canada in 2021.

Coming to Canada felt like escaping a prison of some sort or drinking water after a long period of time.

While coming to Canada was delightful it also held some challenges. Just like before, Humanity First Canada supported us and guided us through our early settlement process. From holding newcomer orientation sessions to opening our bank accounts, providing us with a monthly allowance, etc., Humanity First was with us throughout everything.

The biggest help for us was that our kids were not going to school in Thailand and due to this we did not have Coming to Canada felt like escaping a prison of some sort or drinking water after a long period of time.

the proper documentation to start their admission process but with Humanity First's help they were admitted to their age-appropriate grades.

Due to my background and education in Accounting, I decided to get a certificate for HVA. For one year, I would go to college in the morning and would deliver food at night to earn an income.

Today, I am working as a Technician in a company and living a successful life. i would like to thank Humanity First for helping us throughout this whole process and giving us a new life in Canada.



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My name is Sabqat Mehdi. I was born in the city of Mandi Bahauddin in the Province of Punjab Pakistan. My father was Martyred on 3 January 2019, and as a result of I had to leave my country immediately. On March 20th, 2019, I succeeded in arriving in Sri Lanka with my wife and three daughters and made a refugee claim there. While I was living there in Sri Lanka, I made an application to Humanity First Canada for sponsorship. We came across very adverse circumstances there, which includes hot and humid weather throughout the year, government emergency for two months because of attacks on the local Church by the terrorists and Covid 19. We had to face fear, hunger, and pandemic disease. Then, Humanity First Canada helped us by sponsorship, and we arrived in Canada on June 28, 2022. Humanity First Canada arranged for us a rental unit before our arrival along with all the basic needs of life, including food items.

We felt happy and relieved when we got that treatment. After resting for a few days, I started working at Tim Hortons as a baker. Because I used to be a secondary school teacher back home, I preferred to move forward to a better position. I planned to get into the legal field and got enrolled in a paralegal program in Trios College Brampton Campus in January 2023. I started working with Uber as a driver part-time, along with my studies to meet my financial needs. I graduated from my paralegal program in January 2024 and completed

the internship in February in a law firm in Brampton. I am preparing for my bar exam, which is going to be held on 30th July 2024. My children We are grateful to Humanity First Canada for making it possible and helping us start a new life.

also started their education, and they are happy and satisfied. My wife is taking



care of our kids and she is taking English language classes online to make herself а better part of this society. We are grateful to Humanity **First** Canada for making it possible and helping us start a new life.



My journey to Canada commenced when my father was attacked in Pakistan due to religious conflicts targeting the Ahmadiyya community. At that time, I was a university student in Pakistan. My parents immigrated to Canada shortly after the attack, but my path required a different route facilitated by Humanity First.

In September 2016, I traveled to Malaysia and sought asylum through the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). Despite the difficulties I faced in Malaysia, the support from the our community made this period more bearable. With the assistance of Humanity First, I finally reached Canada in September 2021, five years later, amid the Covid-19 pandemic.

Upon arrival in Canada, Humanity First extended a warm welcome, visiting our residence and providing essential financial support during our first year of resettlement. This support was invaluable, enabling me to sustain myself during the

challenging times brought on by the pandemic. They also assisted with legal matters, offering assurance regarding the success of our resettlement.

Humanity First extended a warm welcome, visiting our residence and providing essential financial support during our first year of resettlement.

Since arriving in Canada, I

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resumed my studies at York University, pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Commerce. Within my first year, I secured a full-time position at RBC (Royal Bank of Canada), greatly facilitating my academic and professional journey. By the grace of God, I have since completed my Bachelor's degree, achieved the first level of the CFA designation,

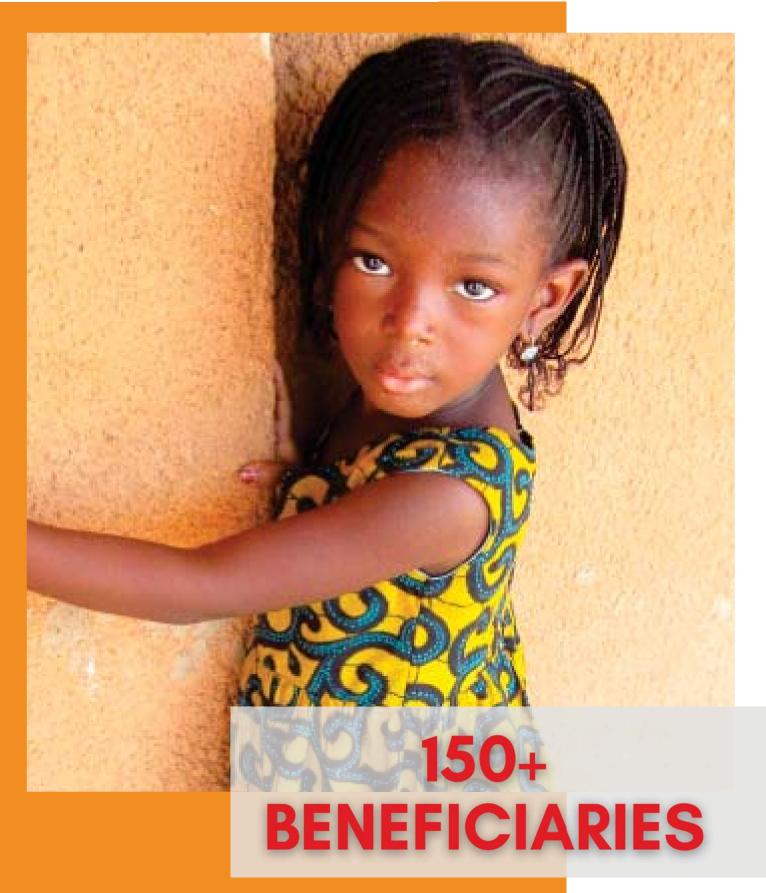
and am now pursuing a Master's in Finance at Queen's University.

Throughout this journey, despite its ups and downs, the unwavering support of my community and Humanity First Canada has been instrumental. It has allowed me to reunite with my parents and build a better life and future in Canada.











### ORPHANS SUPPORTED 142

## COUNTRIES 5



Under this program, sponsored children are placed in the care of carefully selected foster parents who can provide the child with a safe and well-rounded upbringing in a loving family unit. Orphan children are provided shelter, clothing, basic nutrition and healthcare, and access to education.

Humanity First Coordinators facilitate the Orphan Care program, staying in touch with children and their foster parents regularly, as well as paying occasional visits to their homes to ensure that each family is managing successfully. Orphan children under the age of 18 qualify for this program. They are fostered until they reach 21 years of age or complete post-secondary education - whichever comes later.

#### HUMANITY FIRST OFFERS ORPHAN CHILDREN

- Food Security
- Shelter
- Healthcare & Nutrition
- Clothing
- Access to Education
- A Loving Home

#### **SPONSOR PROCESS**

Humanity First operates the Orphan Care program in underprivileged communities, where orphaned children are provided a family environment by matching them to foster parents in their country. HF provides financial support to the foster family on a monthly basis to enable them to provide for the child.

In selecting foster parents, HF gives preference to close relatives of the child. This helps to ease their transition into a new home, maintaining the child's connection with their family. While these foster parents can indeed provide a loving home, oftentimes they do not have the capacity to provide for the child without financial support, as they may be living on a limited income themselves. HF's Orphan Care Program fills in those gaps, providing foster parents the necessary support to ensure the healthy and happy upbringing of their child. Foster parents report to HF on a monthly basis, sharing details of the care they are providing their children. This allows the Orphan Care team to carry out regular needs assessments. enabling the provision of diagnostic support.



#### ORPHANAGE

Humanity First is constructing an orphanage in Indonesia to provide sanctuary and care for vulnerable children. With a compassionate vision, we are aiming to offer a nurturing environment where every child can thrive despite their challenging circumstances. This orphanage promises not only shelter but also educational opportunities, healthcare provisions, and emotional support.

Through collaborative efforts and generous contributions, this haven for the children will forge brighter futures, filled with hope and opportunity. This initiative exemplifies the profound impact of collective kindness in transforming lives and building stronger communities.





















### SENIORS ASSISTED 700+

## COUNTRIES 10+



Humanity First is committed to fostering community well-being through a range of impactful care programs, both domestically and globally. Our Community Care program initiatives are predominantly executed within Canada, aiming to assist vulnerable segments of the Canadian population, including children, low-income families, seniors, newcomers, and more.

Within Canada, our Seniors First program is dedicated to the health and well-being of senior Canadians. This program offers a comprehensive array of services, including health and wellness sessions, field trips, basic computer literacy classes, conversational English classes, and crucial food support.

Moreover, Community Care plays a vital role in enhancing financial literacy and accessibility by regularly organizing Tax Clinics. These clinics provide essential tax filing services to specific demographics such as low-income families, newcomers, refugees, and students across Canada.

Internationally, the Model Village project undertakes the remote areas where fundamental necessities such as water supply, sanitation, electricity, education, vocational training, and healthcare services are critically lacking. By addressing the needs of vulnerable populations both at home and abroad, we strive to create positive and sustainable impacts in communities worldwide.

#### **SENIORS FIRST**

The Seniors First program is based in Canada and offers seniors health and well-being sessions to improve their mental, physical, and socio-economic state of life. This program also offers outdoor recreational trips, volunteer opportunities, learning basic computer skills, conversation circles to improve English language skills, and food support.

#### FREE TAX CLINIC

Humanity First sets up annual Tax Filing Clinics during tax season in March to provide tax filing services to low-income families, newcomers, refugees, and students in Canada.

#### SHELTER BUS

During the chilly winter season, people experiencing homelessness face a heightened risk of death due to the overburdened emergency shelters, which struggle to offer sufficient shelter and food provisions. The HF Shelter bus is a repurposed coach bus, optimized to provide a safe, comfortable place to sleep overnight. Its mobility is a huge asset, as the HF team is able to serve those areas

#### THAILAND & MALAYSIA

Many displaced refugee families remain stranded in Malaysia and Thailand, where they face great scarcity and difficulty. To assist them during their difficult period of displacement, HF Canada provides these families with assistance and aid in the form of food supplies, medical supplies, rent support, and cash in hand for emergency needs on a monthly basis.





2,220+ Free Taxes Filed



2,200+ Homeless Individuals Supported



6000+ Stranded Refugees Supported

#### **COMMUNITY CENTRE**

In remote villages, where resources are scarce and opportunities limited, HF brings a transformative change by constructing community centers. These centers offer vital services and foster a sense of unity among villagers. Equipped with educational resources, healthcare facilities, and spaces for communal gatherings, the center becomes a hub of empowerment and support.

#### MODEL VILLAGE

The Model Village project undertakes the remote areas where fundamental necessities such as water supply, sanitation, electricity, education, vocational training, and healthcare services are critically lacking. By addressing the needs of vulnerable populations both at home and abroad, we strive to create positive and sustainable impacts in communities worldwide.





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5+ Sanitation Projects

A Model Village Projects

### **MODEL VILLAGE**



























### PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU'S MESSAGE TO HUMANITY FIRST



#### PRIME MINISTER · PREMIER MINISTRE

May 13, 2023

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone participating in the Humanity First Canada Global Fundraising Telethon.



Established in 1995, Humanity First Canada has worked tirelessly over the years to provide aid and assistance to those in need, both in Canada and across the globe. Proceeds raised during this event will allow the foundation to continue to fulfill its important mission, and I would like to thank everyone for their generous contributions.

I would also like to commend the dedicated volunteers of Humanity First Canada for their valuable work and generosity of time and spirit. Your commitment to improving the quality of life of your fellow citizens is admirable and is helping to build a better world for us all.

Please accept my best wishes for an enjoyable event and for every success in meeting your fundraising goals.

Sincerely,

The Rt. Hon. Justin P. J. Trudeau, P.C., M.P. Prime Minister of Canada







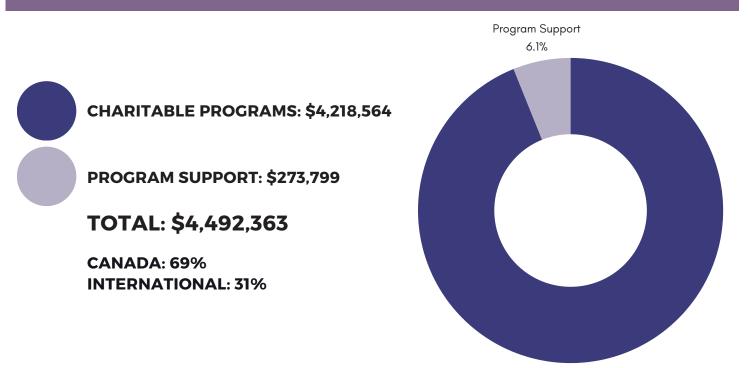
## **FINANCIAL REPORT 2023**

Other

### TOTAL REVENUE BREAKDOWN







Charitable Programs 93.9% Donations

68.7%

### TOTAL IN KIND DONATIONS

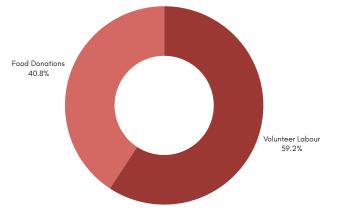


VOLUNTEER LABOUR: \$2,308,819

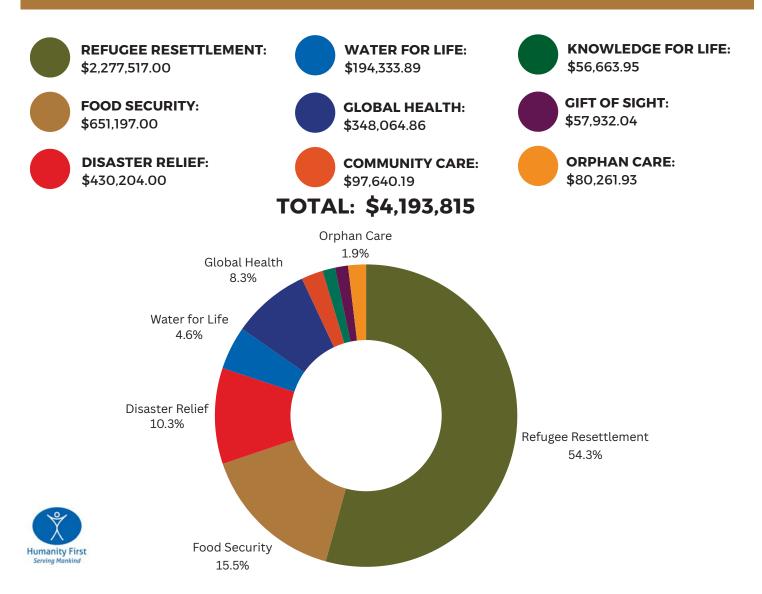
**FOOD DONATIONS: \$1,590,000** 

TOTAL: \$3,897,819

OVER 150,000 VOLUNTEER HOURS DONATED



### **PROGRAM EXPENSE BREAKDOWN**

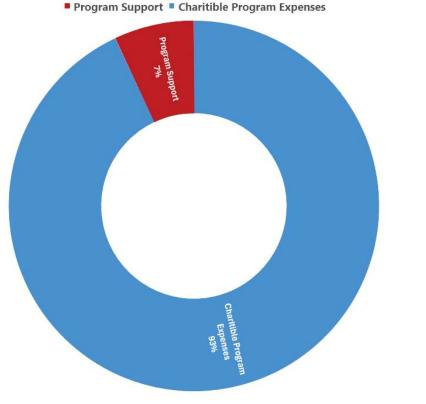




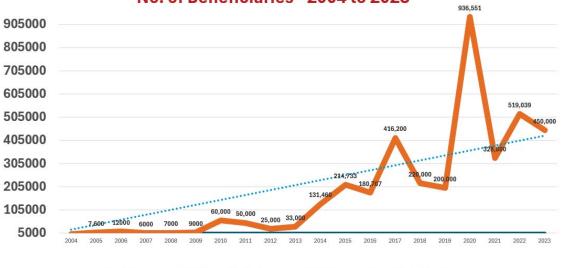
## **OUR GROWTH**

In the 20 years of our humanitarian journey, the number of beneficiaries have increased exponentially every year. By keeping the program support expenses in control, the value of every dollar spent by Humanity First brings far greater results when combined with the value of volunteer hours and in-kind support of donors.





No. of Beneficiaries - 2004 to 2023



—Year























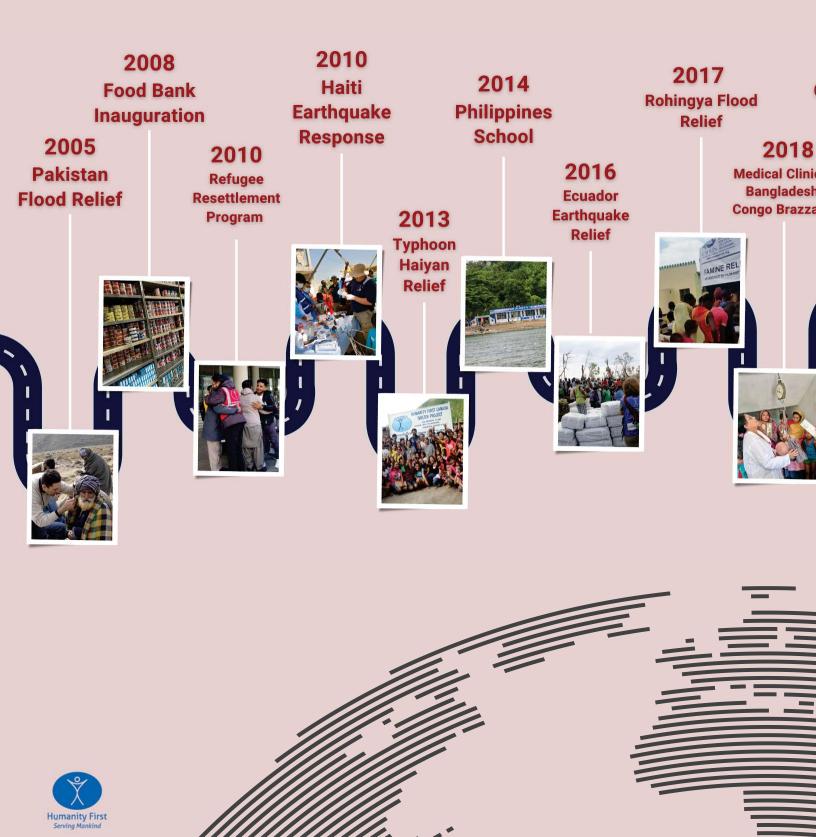








### **MAJOR 20 YEAR INITIATIVES**





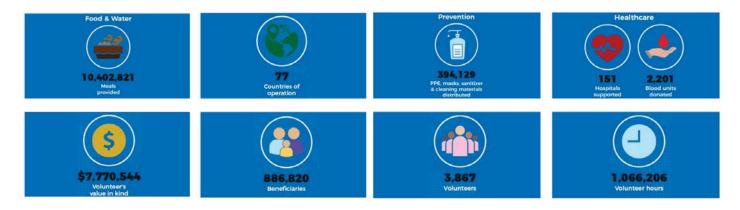


### **COVID-19 RESPONSE**



During the COVID-19 Pandemic, Humanity First Canada created a robust preparedness plan to act quickly and to provide emergency supplies and support to those in need. Humanity First launched a social media campaign called #HFCARES to promote health and safety measures through social media posts as well as infographics. Our volunteers further assisted individuals with medication pickup, groceries, and other urgent needs. Our team initiated a 12 hrs/day national call line and confidentially counselled 100+ callers. Furthermore, a 3D printer was used to produce reusable face shields and over 30,000 protective personal gear (PPE) were distributed to more than 10 hospitals across Ontario.

Through various webinars, telemedicine service, HF Food Bank, Humanity First ensured that throughout the pandemic each and every individual in need was supported and assisted one way or another.





### **HF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**



During the last 20 years of Humanity First various conferences were held by Humanity First International. Humanity First Canada has been able to sent delegation to all of the conferences to collaborate with other HF countries on its best practices for serving humanity under various programs. His Holiness Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad (aa), the supreme head of the worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community, has given keynote addresses at these conferences to remind Humanity First to always serve the weakest in society with humility, including orphans, homeless people and seniors.



#### By the Grace of Allah, Humanity First is now a very well established and wellrespected international charitable organization. Indeed, Humanity First has now reached the stage where external NGOs or similar humanitarian organizations are seeking to partner and collaborate with it to fulfil their own

charitable obligations and objectives.

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In one country, an international NGO, linked to the United Nations, expressed its desire and intention to give funds to Humanity First in order for it to carry out humanitarian work and projects on its behalf. This demonstrates that, with the Grace of Allah, Humanity First has earned the respect and trust of other humanitarian agencies, including those associated with the United Nations.

> -Hazrat Mirza Masroor Ahmad The Supreme Head Of The Worldwide Ahmadiyya Muslim Community

### **HUMANITY FIRST UNIVERSITY CLUBS**



Students volunteers with passion to serve humanity, have established various Humanity First clubs since 2013, in different universities such as York University, McMaster University, University of Toronto, Waterloo University, etc.

The aim of these clubs is to raise awareness for social issues such as poverty and disaster and to get support from youth force to improve the quality of life for those in need, devoid of any distinctions.

These clubs provide students with volunteer opportunities to groom their skills while creating a positive change in local and global communities through Humanity First. These clubs serve as a great way to promote and provide exposure to Humanity First and its many wonderful projects within the Canadian youth.



### **FUNDRAISING & AWARENESS EVENTS**



Humanity First holds fundraising and awareness events across the country to raise funds for its humanitarian projects in service to humanity. Over the last 20 years, Humanity First has held over 40+ events in various major cities. Thousands of donors and supports have participated including government officials, politicians and dignitaries.

These events play an important role in building awareness of the Humanity First work among the media and general public, as well as, in raising funds for the projects.



### PRIME MINISTER STEPHEN HARPER ATTENDS HF'S 10TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

In 2014, Former Prime Minister Stephen Harper attended Humanity First's 10th Anniversary dinner marking 10 years of charitable work and disaster relief. At the dinner, the Former Prime Minister delivered a speech in which he congratulated HFC on 10 years of philanthropic endeavors around the world. He also thanked HF for its fundraising efforts to combat the spread of Ebola in West Africa.



### PREMIER DOUG FORD & MINISTER STEPHEN LECCE VISITS HF FOOD BANK & EXHIBITION

During the COVID-19 Pandemic, HF received tremendous supported from various politicians and dignitaries. Premier Dough Ford and Minister Stephen Lecce spent a day at the Humanity First Food Bank to help pack food hampers and learnt about other various food bank operations. Additionally, both of them have shown support to HF by visiting various exhibitions and other fundraising and awareness events throuhgout the years.





### **UNHCR NGO CONSULTATION IN GENEVA**

As NGO Consultations Rapporteur, Humanity First Canada's Chairman Dr. Aslam Daud presented on behalf of 500 NGOs from 76 countries addressing 150 members at the 70th Session of the Executive Committee of the High Commissioner's Programme of the United Nations Refugee Agency. This Annual Consultations with NGOs took place in July 2019 in Geneva Switzerland.



### PRIME MINISTER AWARD GIVEN TO DR. ASLAM DAUD

The Prime Minister award recognizes volunteers who have taken a leadership role in developing solutions to local challenges. One Community Leader Award is given in each region. In the region of Ontario, Dr. Aslam Daud was selected to receive this award. For more than 20 years, Dr. Aslam Daud has championed humanitarian causes. During his speech, the Former Prime Minister Stephen Harper embarked and praised Dr. Aslam Daud on many of the Humanity First's achievements and his dedication and commitment to transfer his passion to serve his community and create a successful charitable organization.











































































### WITH HEARTFELT GRATITUDE, WE THANK OUR INCREDIBLE VOLUNTEERS, SUPPORTERS, AND DONORS FOR 20 YEARS OF UNWAVERING KINDNESS AND TRANSFORMATIVE IMPACT.





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