



*Relief, Development and Peace  
in the name of Christ.*

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## NEEDED: Relief Supplies

Volunteers (photo right) process recipients of MCC relief items. The March 9, 2020 distribution took place prior to government-mandated COVID-19 social distancing precautions.

In the background are stacks of MCC relief kits waiting to be distributed



to community members of a low-income neighborhood in Tyre, Lebanon – the majority of whom are Palestinian and Syrian refugees. *MCC Photo Evie Hammond*

A shipping container (photo left) of relief supplies in March 2020. The items were shipped to Jordan and Mozambique for people displaced because of violent conflict and natural disaster and now living with the COVID-19 health crisis. *MCC Photo Rudi Niessen*



## Year end appeal

Even though we are living through difficult times, the folks with whom MCC partners around the world, find themselves in even more vulnerable, life threatening situations.

MCC is still sending school kits, sewing kits, infant care kits and prisoner care kits. However, we have decided to concentrate on hygiene kits and relief kits for the next few months. These are two of the most needed items by MCC and partner organizations. So far this year we have sent 2,400 hygiene kits and 1,190 relief kits to MCC for distribution to people in need around the world.

MRC board has committed \$20,000 of MRC funds to purchase supplies to complete additional kits. We are asking you, our friends and supporters, to help us increase these numbers. \$20,000 will fill 1,000 relief kits \$30,000 will fill 1,500 relief kits \$40,000 will fill 2,000 relief kits Hygiene kits cost \$2.25 each

You can help us by sending a donation for kits to:  
MCC Material Resource Center  
737 Hagey Center Dr., Unit C  
Souderton, PA 18964

or through our **NEW website**  
[www.mcc-harleysville.org](http://www.mcc-harleysville.org)

### MCC Totals

Last year 17,514 relief kits were sent to Jordan, Democratic Republic of Korea (North Korea), Ukraine, Syria, Lebanon, Haiti and the U.S.

### MRC Totals

In 2019 the following items were collected and sent to MCC for distribution to people in need around the world:

1,245 comforters	113 prisoner care kits	918 grocery bags
2,996 relief kits	5,400 school kits	580 infant care kits
3,200 hygiene kits	15,633 cans meat	12 sewing kits
\$20,000 for MyCoinsCount (from area churches and donors' matching gifts)		

The approximate value of items sent to MCC in 2019 is \$195,162; monetary donations of \$56,000 were also sent to MCC and several local non-profits.

# Henry Moore retires from volunteering at MRC



Henry Moore has been part of the MRC work since its beginning in 2003. Henry spent many hours at board meetings planning for the MRC facility. He was in charge of kit packing, rag production and sales until very recently. A retirement celebration was held in his honor on Sept. 10, 2020.



## Birthday Celebration

Kaylee Hockman, (wearing black) a member of Wellspring Church of Skippack, for her 16th Birthday, requested articles for MCC Relief Kits. This table full is the result of her request.

Thanks to many who sent gifts for MCC food needs. We are happy to forward onto Mennonite Central Committee \$20,435 for food needs around the world.



Phil and Betty Bergstresser packing relief kits

## Volunteer with MRC

Volunteers at MRC observe Covid 19 precautions:

- 6 feet distances
- wearing masks
- daily temperature checks

Please call 267-203-8074 if you or your group have some time to volunteer.

A few hours during the week makes a world of difference.



**Your financial donation helps people in need around the world. Please donate to MRC today!**

Here is my gift of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  \$25  \$50  \$100  \$250  \$500  \$1000

**to provide relief, development and peace in the name of Christ. All contributions are tax deductible.**

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