Church Donates Cash and Commodities to Support COVID-19 Relief Efforts

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints continues to provide relief amid the COVID-19 pandemic. The Church is now distributing cash and commodities in response to an unprecedented number of humanitarian requests around the world.

To date, Latter-day Saint Charities has initiated 280 COVID-19 relief projects in over 80 countries. Within the United States, 15 truckloads of commodities from the Church’s network of bishops’ storehouses are being delivered each week to food banks and other charitable organizations across the country.

$5.5 million of cash donations is also being provided to the following key relief agencies in the U.S.:

- **Convoy of Hope (Springfield, Missouri)**

They will use the Church’s donation to distribute food to those in need, largely in the Midwest.

“This generous gift came at a pivotal time. Convoy of Hope is well on its way to reaching the goal of delivering 10 million meals to those hit hardest by the coronavirus.” —Hal Donaldson, CEO of Convoy of Hope

The Church has had a long-standing partnership with Convoy of Hope. In this photo, Convoy of Hope volunteers provide water (purchased by the Church) to flood victims in Victoria, Texas, after Hurricane Harvey in September 2017.

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• **United Way** (Alexandria, Virginia)

  These funds will provide relief to many communities in the U.S.

  "United Way extends our deepest gratitude for the generosity and compassion of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The donation of $1 million to the United Way Community Response and Recovery Fund will provide critical support to communities across the U.S. and to the 211 teams who are working around the clock to help our most vulnerable populations find the help they need in the face of this pandemic." —Suzanne McCormick, U.S. President, United Way Worldwide

  "We’re deeply concerned about those we consider to be our brothers and sisters who are suffering because of COVID-19," said Bishop Gérald Caussé, presiding bishop of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. "We want to help and know we can rely on these trusted partners, who are already doing so much good, to reach those who are in greatest need."

  In addition to these donations, the presiding bishop said the Church will provide volunteers via JustServe to coordinate local service opportunities. "Our church members, who can be found in every community, are also willing to lend a hand through volunteer service projects," Bishop Caussé said.

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