

Humanitarian Service Projects of the Church in Germany



FOLLOWING CHRIST'S EXAMPLE of caring for the poor and needy is a foundational belief of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Built on the principles of personal responsibility, community support, self-reliance and sustainability, humanitarian efforts are designed to give individuals and communities the tools they need to improve their own circumstances in permanent and meaningful ways.

Humanitarian service may include emergency response to natural or other disasters. It may also be part of a long-term effort to help relieve enduring problems such as disease.

OVERVIEW OF PROJECTS IN GERMANY FROM 2015 TO 2018:

2018

- Provided shelter and education for 50 unaccompanied minors in Frankfurt am Main
- Provided programs for 220 unaccompanied minors in Bremen
- Provided one year of curriculum-enriching experiences and vocational training for 70 unaccompanied minors in Frankfurt am Main
- Donated 50 hygiene kits to new arrivals at the refugee center in Stuttgart
- Provided psychosocial therapy for 130 traumatized refugees in Griesheim

- Assembled 1,200 hygiene in Germany and donated them to refugees
- Gave sleeping bags, blankets, and hygiene kits to 30 refugee families

2017

- Provided three tents to use as a community center, replacing the previous tents destroyed by high winds at the Rebstock refugee camp
- Provided 200 newborn baby kits to refugees in Frankfurt am Main
- Purchased and installed equipment, furniture, a rug, a white board, and toys in a new playroom for refugee children at the Darmstadt refugee camp
- Provided courses in language, parenting, European culture, the alphabet, health systems, and life planning courses for women at three refugee facilities in Darmstadt
- Provided support and protection to refugee children and teenagers at the Tempelhof facility in Berlin
- Conducted search and rescue operations in the Mediterranean Sea for two months.
- Provided 150 Christmas boxes for refugees in Oldenburg
- Donated clocks, cosmetic bags, travel pouches, and school bags in Berlin
- Purchased and delivered 1,500 T-shirts to refugees at the Erding refugee camp
- Provided integration for 500 refugee preschoolers and their parents, including training on the German educational system, trauma counseling, immunization, and physicals required for school and sports activities
- Provided books, sports equipment, art, media, music, field trips, apprenticeships, internships, and vocational training for 50 unaccompanied minors
- Young Men and Young Women organizations taught bike repair, donated bikes to refugees, and assembled baby boxes for refugee infants, which were donated in Kaiserslautern
- Purchased bikes and bike trailers to provide transportation to refugee children in Coburg

- Provided lessons to teach refugee parents in 30 families how to integrate their children into the German school system in Schwerin
- Provided football equipment for more than 90 refugee youth so they could train for and participate in an international football tournament
- Helped refurbish a mother and child center for 1,480 refugees in Heidelberg
- Donated 100 baby boxes with clothing, diapers, wipes, and more to Projektleitung Babylotsen–Deutscher Kinderschutzbund for refugee mothers and babies
- Purchased 50 wheelchairs and various medical supplies for EliseCare to help refugees
- Provided 20 sewing machines that were distributed to three refugee camps.
- Provided clothing (coats, shoes, and underwear) for 800 refugees at the Erding reception center
- Provided cooking and eating equipment (dishes, pots, pans) to refugees in Obertshausen
- Two wards in Dresden gathered and repaired bikes to donate to 100 refugees and migrants
- The Nuremberg Stake bought 30 bikes for refugees so they could travel to classes, become independent, and integrate into the community
- Gave 20 German-English books to refugees from Eritrea in Pinneberg
- Gave hygiene items to 5,000 refugees at the Messe Berlin refugee reception center
- Church volunteers in Frankfurt am Main taught refugees how to make furniture and sew cushions
- Assembled and delivered 70 newborn kits to refugee camps around Frankfurt am Main and Darmstadt
- Donated gloves, winter jackets, socks, thermal underwear, sweatshirts, and shoes to Malteser International for refugees

2016

- Gave winter clothing to 600 refugees in Berlin
- Gave German language lessons three days a week to 1,000 refugees in Düsseldorf
- Provided services for child protection, health, nutrition and water, sanitation, and hygiene for children and mothers in Frankfurt am Main
- Assembled 3,000 hygiene kits in Berlin for refugees
- Gave 200 boxes of clothes to Caritas for distribution in Darmstadt
- Delivered 1,000 hygiene kits in Berlin
- Distributed 2,000 pairs of shoes to refugees in Berlin
- Gave shoes, clothes, baby milk, and diapers to the Kusel refugee camp in Kaiserslautern
- Provided office supplies, vacuums, tables, and bookshelves for language and integration classes in Oberursel
- Provided underwear and warm hats to refugees in Munich
- Provided 1,000 hygiene kits for refugees in Frankfurt am Main
- Provided 800 underwear packs for refugees in Landshut
- Provided supplies for 240 refugees to learn German in Stuttgart
- Purchased 42,000 men's track suit pants for distribution to refugees
- Purchased 60 bags of sand to fill two playground sandboxes for refugee children at the Limburg camp
- Provided arts and crafts activities for refugee children at the Limburg refugee recreation center
- Donated a defibrillator and first-aid supplies to refugees at the Wetzlar refugee camp
- Provided emergency medical assistance to stranded migrants at the Greek and Macedonian border by helping to purchase a mobile clinic
- Donated 1,000 hygiene kits to the Kaiserslautern Bitburg refugee camp
- Donated 1,500 hygiene kits to the Kusel and Zweibrücken refugee camps
- Donated 25 grammar books for refugees in Neumünster
- Provided 800 hygiene kits to refugees in Berlin.
- Provided underwear and socks for 2,000 refugees in Berlin
- Provided hygiene items, including diapers, for one year at the Berlin refugee facility

2015

- Provided funding to global partners that aid refugees and mobilized local Helping Hands efforts

- through stakes and districts
- Gave blankets, sleeping bags, mats, clothing, water, and emergency food items to 100,000 refugees in Frankfurt am Main
 - Provided emergency response for refugees and internally displaced individuals in Hanau, Frankfurt, and Berlin
 - Gave hygiene items to 30,000 refugees in Frankfurt am Main.
 - Provided German language lessons for 30 refugees in Düsseldorf
 - Gave 250 refugee beneficiaries language training using 25 training sets provided by the Church in Grävenwiesbach
 - Donated cash to provide immediate support for refugees in Berlin
 - Donated toys were donated for refugee children in Berlin
 - Donated shaving and deodorant supplies for 1,000 refugees in Berlin
 - Gave hygiene kits, Arabic dictionaries (to help with cultural assimilation), and winter hats to 1,100 refugees in Nuremberg
 - Donated funds to the German Red Cross to manage two reception centers in Munich that will serve 10,000 beneficiaries
 - Donated hygiene supplies for the first contact refugee camp in Berlin with 2,000 beneficiaries
 - Gave recreational equipment to two emergency reception centers, one in Eltville and one in Wiesbaden
 - Assembled cooking supplies in Offenbach to help refugees have greater self-reliance in preparing meals