

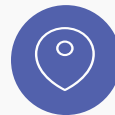


SITUATION REPORT 6

COVID-19 PANDEMIC



JUNE 3, 2020



WORLDWIDE

SITUATION

As of June 3, over 6.2 million people have been infected and over 379,000 people have lost their lives due to the rapid spread of COVID-19. The pandemic is affecting all aspects of life for people across the globe.



Photo: Evangelical Lutheran Church in The Gambia

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Pray

Please pray for the people who have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic around the world. May God's healing presence give them peace and hope in their time of need.

Give

Contribute to Lutheran Disaster Response (give where needed most).

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*See previous reports for ongoing responses

RESPONSE*

Lutheran Disaster Response is supporting partners around the world during this time. Since January 2020, LDR-International has contributed over \$1.3 million in 32 countries in response to the pandemic.

- In Guinea, the Lutheran Church in Guinea is distributing hygiene kits, with a priority given to the elderly, widows, and people living with disabilities. These kits include soap, chlorine, and a bucket with a faucet.
- In the Central African Republic, the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Central African Republic will provide food items and supplies to families. Additionally, handwashing stations are being installed in public places.
- In Chile, the Iglesia Evangelica Luterana en Chile is distributing food and supplies to vulnerable families. Counseling will also be provided to those experiencing pandemic-induced depression, anxiety, and trauma.
- In Brazil, the Lutheran Foundation of Diakonia is providing food and supplies to families of waste collectors. The families will receive food, hygiene and cleaning supplies, masks, and gloves.
- In Ethiopia, Ambarecho Bilate Synod, Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus is disseminating information about hygiene practices and COVID-19 prevention through radio messages and leaflets, distributing hygiene kits, and providing food for daily laborers.
- In Cuba, the United Evangelical Lutheran Church – Lutheran Synod in Cuba is providing families, most of which are low-income, elderly, or women-headed, with cash grants. This will allow families to purchase needed supplies.
- In Lebanon, the Contact and Resource Center will provide cash assistance to help recipients with utility bills. Assistance will go to those who are living with disabilities, have lost their parents, and are living on their own.
- Additionally, we are supporting the ACT Alliance Global Appeal, which will allow them to continue humanitarian assistance, support vulnerable populations, and bolster community preparedness and resiliency.



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