

# **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**



## **2014 Projects**

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## INTERNATIONAL

### **Congo, Democratic Republic**

Food Resource Bank (FRB) – food security program

Interchurch Medical Assistance – children’s nutrition program

### **Cuba**

ACT (Action by Churches Together) Alliance – appeal for Tropical Storm Sandy damage

### **Dominican Republic**

ACT Alliance – appeal for Tropical Storm Isaac damage

### **El Salvador**

Mesoamerican Climate Justice Campaign Summit support

### **Haiti**

2012 Tropical Storm Sandy – Episcopal Diocese of Haiti

2012 Tropical Storm Isaac – ACT Alliance

2010 Earthquake – long term recovery

Mid-council matching grants with Grand Canyon,  
Greater Atlanta, New Brunswick and Tropical Florida

Grants through ecumenical partners:

Episcopal Diocese of Haiti – school, food security and livelihood programs

Peasant (Farmers) Movement of Papay – eco-villages and environment restoration

Global Health Action – health and development programs

Medical Benevolence Foundation – hospital renovation and security wall

Church World Service (CWS) – people with disabilities and long-term recovery  
programs

ACT Alliance – housing

### **Horn of Africa**

**Kenya:** Presbyterian Church of East Africa – continued response to the November 2011

Horn of Africa famine and drought

**Kenya & Somalia:** - ACT Alliance

### **India**

2004 tsunami – continuing response with Lutheran World Service India, Church’s Auxiliary for Social Action and NISARGA (a Joining Hands Against Hunger, Presbyterian Hunger Program project)

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## **Indonesia**

2004 tsunami – continuing response, including community-based environmental rehabilitation, educational and economic rehabilitation through local partners  
Protestant Church of Moluccas – response to flooding

## **Middle East**

Refugee assistance through the National Evangelical Synod of Syria and Lebanon

## **Myanmar**

Phase II – Typhoon Nargis in partnership with Yakkum Emergency Unit

## **Japan**

2011 earthquake and tsunami recovery in partnership with Asia Rural Institute

## **Liberia**

Phase II – continued support for a livelihood project to local partners, Inside Rural Areas (Insiderars)

## **Malawi**

FRB – food security program in southern region in partnership with Chingale Neno Recovery and Development Program and support of Chingale Neno’s psychosocial program for children

## **Nicaragua**

Response to flooding from tropical depression in partnership with Council of Evangelical Churches of Nicaragua

## **Pakistan**

ACT Alliance appeal to support CWS program for internally displaced persons

## **Philippines**

ACT Alliance appeal for typhoon flooding supporting the work of National Council of Churches in the Philippines

## **South Sudan**

Support for agriculture, water, sanitation and finance personnel; partnership with Presbyterian Relief and Development Association – Jonglei and Pier and Pibor area

Response to internal conflict for Nuba Mountain, South Kordofan with ACT Alliance

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## Sri Lanka

2004 tsunami – continuing response with OfERR, Assembly of Social Mobilization and in collaboration with National Fisheries Solidarity, a Joining Hands Against Hunger, Presbyterian Hunger Program

## West Africa

Livelihood initiative through Agricultural Missions, Inc. with the Self-Development of People and Presbyterian Hunger Program

<b>NATIONAL RESPONSE</b>		<b>\$701,200</b>
<b>Alabama</b>		<b>\$10,000</b>
Presbytery of Southern Alabama		
April 2014 storms/flood Orange Beach Presbyterian Church Special Projects Grant		
<b>Arizona</b>		<b>\$7,500</b>
Presbytery of Grand Canyon		
Summer 2014 (ongoing) – Yuma community hosting assistance for refugee ministry		
<b>Arkansas</b>		<b>\$17,500</b>
Presbytery of Arkansas		
April 2014 tornadoes – Mayflower community recovery		
Camp Noah, youth trauma recovery		
Ferncliff Disaster Assistance Center special project		
<b>California</b>		<b>\$7,500</b>
Presbytery of Sacramento		
September 2014 wildfires – community recovery; Weed, Burney		
<b>Colorado</b>		<b>\$9,100</b>
Presbytery of Pueblo		
July 2014 – church flood damage, Ecumenical Church of Pueblo West		
Presbytery of Plains & Peaks		
September 2013 flood damage – Highlands Camp & Conference Center		
<b>Florida</b>		<b>\$50,600</b>
Presbytery of Central Florida		
Support of Florida Disaster Network (FLAPDAN)		
Presbytery of Florida		
April/May 2014 flooding–church damage, Shalimar and Trinity and First in Pensacola		

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<b>Georgia</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
Savannah Presbytery	
March 2014 – church fire, Metter Presbyterian Church	
<b>Illinois</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>
Presbytery of Blackhawk	
November 2013 tornadoes –Coal City Presbyterian Church, community recovery	
<b>Kansas</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
Presbytery of John Calvin	
April 2014 tornado – long-term community recovery, Baxter Springs	
<b>Louisiana</b>	<b>\$339,500</b>
Presbytery of South Louisiana	
Hurricane Katrina 2005 long-term recovery	
<b>Michigan</b>	<b>\$26,000</b>
Presbytery of Detroit	
August 2014 flooding – community assistance	
Damaged churches; Trinity Community, Littlefield, Lake Shore, Grosse Pointe, Covenant	
<b>Mississippi</b>	
Presbytery of St. Andrew	
April 2014 tornadoes – community recovery in Louisville area	
<b>Missouri</b>	<b>\$7,500</b>
Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy	
August 2014 –community gun violence response, Ferguson	
<b>Nebraska</b>	
Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska	
August 2014 ecumenical event to help churches to respond to disaster	
Homestead Presbytery	
June 2014 tornadoes – Pilger and Wakefield community recovery	
<b>Nevada</b>	<b>\$12,000</b>
Presbytery of Nevada	
October 2013 school violence (Sparks) – healing camp for youth	

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<b>New Jersey</b>	<b>\$28,500</b>
Monmouth Presbytery	
October 2012 Superstorm Sandy recovery	
Special hosting project, Morningstar Presbyterian, Bayville	
Special hosting project, First Presbyterian, Matawan	
Special hosting project, Camp Evans, Wall Township	
<b>New York</b>	<b>\$85,000</b>
Presbytery of New York City	
October 2012 Superstorm Sandy recovery	
Special hosting project, Calvary Presbyterian, Staten Island	
Special hosting project, Presbyterian Hope In Action (PHIA)	
May 2014 church fire – Trinity Presbyterian Parish House	
Presbytery of Hudson River	
July 2014 flooding - church damage, First Presbyterian, Jeffersonville	
Presbytery of Long Island	
October 2011 church fire – Scoville Hall, First Presbyterian, Amagansett	
<b>Oklahoma</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>
Presbytery of Indian Nations	
May 2013 tornado – special hosting grant for ecumenical site	
<b>Pennsylvania</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
Presbytery of Redstone	
April 2014 school violence (Newlonsburg)– programs for emotional support of responders community and school staff (2 events)	
<b>Texas</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
Palo Duro Presbytery	
May 2014 – wildfires in Fitch and surrounding communities	
Presbytery of New Covenant	
March 2014 – church fire, Heights Presbyterian, Houston	
November 2014 – Houston Interfaith Disaster Response Alliance project, assistance for refugee ministry	
<b>Washington</b>	<b>\$12,500</b>
North Puget Sound Presbytery	
March 2014 mudslide – Oso area community recovery	
Presbytery of Inland Northwest	
July 2014 storms/derecho – Spokane area community recovery	
<b>West Virginia</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
Presbytery of West Virginia	
January 2014 chemical spill into Elk River	
June 2014 flooding, McDowell County	

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### **PARTNERSHIP OPERATIONAL SUPPORT**

**\$226,317**

Church World Service

ACT Alliance

Foods Resource Bank

Memberships with InterAction, National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD), State VOADs

### **PDA REFUGEE RESPONSE**

**\$155,500**

- 1) Community Support Network grants for asylum and immigration work in collaboration with Lutheran Refugee and Immigration Service (LIRS)
- 2) Support for US emergency assistance (CWS cases)
- 3) In partnership with CWS, support for Immigration Refugee program

### **PDA NATIONAL RESPONSE TEAM**

**\$564,252**

The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) National Response Team (NRT) members represent PDA following a disaster in the United States. They provide support, long-term recovery and compassion fatigue training, and provide emotional and spiritual care to affected presbyteries and synods as they assess the impact of the disaster on both the church and the community. They also assist in connecting presbyteries to local, regional and national resources. In 2014, PDA worked in partnership with 38 Presbyteries within 13 Synods. The NRT assisted with disaster recovery in at least 23 states to 41 natural and human caused disasters in 2014 and assisted in long-term recovery for 2013 and 2012 disasters. NRT provided over 69 trainings and workshops throughout the country.

### **PDA HOSPITALITY PROGRAM**

The Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) Hospitality Program became a permanent program area in 2012 in response to requests from mid-councils and local congregations to provide hospitality to volunteer work teams following disasters. A network of trained hospitality volunteers works with the mid-councils and partner agencies to assess hosting sites and help determine the hospitality model that will best match their facility to the recovery coordination. In 2014, there were 35 work team host sites in 9 states. 279 ecumenical and civic work teams worked 1,931 days giving over 267,840 hours of service. The PDA National Call Center is instrumental in scheduling work teams.

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### **HOSPITALITY - AMERICAN RED CROSS**

**\$772,495**

On May 31, 2013 PDA received notification that they had been awarded a \$1.4 million grant from the American Red Cross to coordinate volunteer housing for Superstorm Sandy relief workers. The grant enables PDA to assess potential hosting sites for relief workers, to establish those sites and get them up and running and to train people to manage and operate them. PDA has helped Lutherans, Methodists, Catholic, Episcopalians and some non-denominational churches assess their sites. PDA's expertise in volunteer housing at disaster sites — and hence the Red Cross's desire to partner with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)'s disaster ministry — dates back to Hurricane Katrina.