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Presbyterian Disaster Assistance 2023 At A Glance



QUICK FIGURES

- \$6.1 million granted in 27 states and 46 countries
- 131 National Response Team members were deployed to 46 presbyteries
- 67 Presbyterian Women trained in Disaster Preparedness
- 1,837 work team volunteers served in AR, CA, FL, KY, LA, MS, NC, TX and Puerto Rico, donating 127,755 hours, totaling more than \$4 million in volunteer time
- Provided more than \$256,000 in Migration Accompaniment Ministry grants in the U.S.
- Flint: The Poisoning of an American City reached the **15 Million Streaming Milestone** across streaming platforms since its wide release in 2020
- Presented Emotional & Spiritual care programs to more than 300 participants
- In partnership with Church World Service, assisted in the collection and distribution of 116,273 Gift of the Heart Kits and blankets

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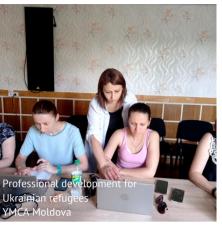


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Matthew 25 continues to be a guiding force in the work of PDA.

- supporting the eradication of poverty through grants to vulnerable populations
- working to end systemic racism through centering Black, indigenous and communities of color and refugees in our grant-making
- promoting congregational vitality through volunteer work teams, Story Ministry, spiritual and emotional care for faith leaders and grants to help congregations respond in their own communities
- addressing climate change, militarism and other forms of oppression.

Migration Accompaniment Ministry visited partners in Central Europe who minister to and with Ukrainian refugees and those displaced to western Ukraine. Meanwhile, violence in Khartoum sent South Sudanese refugees back to their young homeland, and forcing Sudanese to flee to Egypt and Chad where PDA partners were ready to receive them. In the U.S., attention was given to: legal services and advocacy to allow Afghan refugees to remain here, advocacy for more humane border policies, and grants to support faithful responses to asylum seekers in interior cities.

Counter Stories Productions continued work on the industrial pollution and environmental racism documentary, as well as a new short documentary focused on eviction and homelessness through the voices of children and families in Dayton, OH. Pre-production began for a new documentary focused on gun violence. *Trouble the Water: Conversations to Disrupt Racism and Dominance* is being edited into a feature length documentary for wider distribution across streaming platforms. *Flint: The Poisoning of an American City* reached the Fifteen Million Streaming Milestone since its wide release in 2020.

Due to climate change, natural disasters are intensifying in frequency and scale.

Nationally, initial grants supported recovery from wildfires, tornadoes, flooding, hurricanes and storms in thirteen states. Some grants also addressed public violence, disaster preparedness and church property that was damaged due to disasters. National Recovery grants were given in fifteen states. There are now eleven PDA Volunteer Host Sites and three referral sites for volunteer work teams.

Internationally, grants supported humanitarian response to war/conflict in Ukraine, Israel/Palestine, Myanmar, Sudan, Ethiopia and more; earthquake response in Haiti, Syria, Afghanistan, Indonesia and Nepal; drought and famine in Angola, India, Malawi and Rwanda; flooding, hurricanes and storms in the Dominican Republic, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Ghana, Malawi and more.



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The content in this report provides a preliminary glance at the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. To see the full scope of your gifts at work, read the annual report Mosaic: at pcusa.org/mosaic

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