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DISASTER RELIEF:

1. Haiti Earthquake Relief | January 2010 to Current:

Since the earthquake of January 12, 2010, Humanity First has provided following assistance to the people of Haiti:

- ✓ Treated injured patients and distributed food, water and clothing to thousands in 16 camps in remote areas.
- ✓ Treated over 27,000 patients (at the Humanity First Clinic, Mobile Camps and Hospitals).
- ✓ Medical supplies worth more than \$250,000 have been distributed.
- ✓ 3300 Aqua boxes containing everyday necessities for a family of four for 4 weeks were distributed.
- ✓ 200 tents were distributed.
- ✓ Assisted in distributing meals to more than 8,000 people.
- ✓ Supported 7 orphanages and one school with relief supplies, including clothing, food, diapers, water purification kits, toys and other essential items.
- ✓ Water filtration unit was installed at Da Da Duo camp.
- ✓ A few local Haitians were given employment to assist in the relief work.
- ✓ Overall, relief and aid has been provided to over 50,000 Haitians, valuing more than 1.2 million dollars.
- ✓ More than 150 volunteers (Doctors, fire fighters, paramedics, nurses, logistics and security personnel) were deployed to Haiti for relief work.

Currently, Humanity First is managing two Medical Clinics, one in PAP and one in Seguin. We continue to run the two clinics in Haiti seeing 50-100 patients daily in each clinic.

HAITI EARTHQUAKE FUNDRAISING EVENT | February 4, 2010:

- ✓ Successful fundraising events were held in Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, Calgary and Regina.
- ✓ These events had an overall attendance of over 3000 guests which included professionals from all walks of life including dignitaries and politicians such as, Honourable Jean Augustine, Ontario Fairness Commissioner, Honourable Jim Karygiannis MP, Dr. Eric Pierre, Honorary Consul General of Haiti, Justin Trudeau and many business sponsors.
- ✓ Funds raised are for relief and rehabilitation work.
- ✓ At the events, volunteers who recently returned from Haiti presented first-hand accounts of the situation on the ground and how Humanity First was contributing to the relief efforts.



2. Pakistan Flood Relief | August-December 2010:

- ✓ Humanity First immediately launched the funding appeal to the local citizens, institutions and businesses to donate generously to help the suffering flood victims in Pakistan.
- ✓ Thousands of individuals and families and a large number of business, schools and agencies responded to the call of assistance of Humanity First and donated food, funds and clothing for the flood victims.
- ✓ Humanity First team efficiently dedicated countless hours in organizing fundraisers, collections of funds, food and clothing supplies across the country. The food and clothing donations were shipped to Pakistan through PIA Air Cargo.

PAKISTAN FLOOD RELIEF FUNDRAISING

1- Fundraising Event | August 26th, 2010:

- ✓ Successful fundraising events were held in Toronto and Montreal
- ✓ Both events were attended by over 1600 guests including the Consul General of Pakistan, Mr. Sahibzada A. Khan. Moreover, Honourable Judy Sgro MP, Honourable Jim Karygiannis MP, Honourable Dr. Kristy Duncan MP, Honourable Mr. Alan Tonks MP, Honourable Dr. Kuldip Kular MPP, Honourable Jean Augustine-Ontario Fairness Commissioner, Honourable Tony Carella, Councillor City of Vaughan and Mr. Michael DiBiase former Mayor of City of Vaughan were amongst the dignitaries in attendance at the event.
- ✓ Dr. Aslam Daud, Chairman of Humanity First, detailed the relief work being carried out by Humanity First in Pakistan. He was grateful for the overwhelming support and reassured that; “Humanity First will not leave while people are still suffering! We will continue to assist the affected people as long as it takes.”



2- Fundraising with Toronto Metrolinx and TTC | August – September, 2010:

- ✓ Humanity First partnered up with Metrolinx (Go Transit) and the TTC (Toronto Transit Commission) for conducting full-day fundraisers at 7 busiest subway stations.
- ✓ More than 50 volunteers dedicated their 7 full days for collecting funds for Pakistan Flood Relief efforts and building awareness of the causes that Humanity First supports.
- ✓ In support of the relief efforts, GO Transit Managing Director said, “We urge our employees, customers and friends to help the people in Pakistan in any way that they can.”



3- Food Drive & Fundraising with Service Canada | August – September, 2010:

- ✓ Humanity First partnered with Service Canada to lead a successful food drive to provide food supplies to the flood victims of the recent floods in Pakistan.
- ✓ Collected more than 1200 lbs of food along with monetary donations from 7 participating GTA locations of Service Canada. The supplies were shipped to Pakistan through PIA Air Cargo.
- ✓ Service Canada invited Humanity First team to their awards ceremony in December 2010, where the team presented two certificates of appreciation to Service Canada for taking this initiative. A brief presentation was made to Service Canada audience about ongoing flood relief efforts in Pakistan and about various international and local programs and projects of Humanity First.



FOOD BANK:

1. Feed a Family:

- ✓ **Recipients:** More than 600 families in Greater Toronto area are provided food support on a monthly basis. Food is delivered to 90% of these clients who do not have any transportation to reach to the food banks. 10% are walk-in clients.
- ✓ In addition, one neighbourhood center, Elspeth Heyworth Center for Women with 25 recipient families also receives food supplies every month.
- ✓ **Various Public Service Agencies:** This year an increased number of clients were referred to Humanity First Food Bank by various public service agencies, such as:
 1. **York Region Community Services and Housing Department**
 2. **Housing Help Centre of York Region**
 3. **The Hincks Dellcrest Center Toronto: Mental health services for children, youth and their families**
 4. **Ontario Disability Support Program**
 5. **Toronto Social Services Department**
- ✓ **Delivery Management:** The delivery network was improved and more delivery volunteers were trained and recruited in partnership with AMJ Youths Group
- ✓ **Food Bank Clients' Testimonials:**
 - *Your help is always greatly appreciated, especially for the kids. It's a good feeling that I am able to be satisfied, especially my kids, because we have food to eat. I am very grateful that you guys were there for me; somewhere I could turn and get help when I needed it the most, and I appreciate it very, very much! Excellent work done by the volunteers, nothing short of excellent! **Lanah Harry***
 - *Dear Humanity First Food Bank, I just wanted to tell you how much I appreciated you sending the food to me. It was so nice of you. I don't know if you get many thank-you's in your job, but I just feel you deserve it! A grateful heart has lots of room for happy thoughts and joy to bloom...So thank you for the special way you added sunshine to my day! Thank you again! **Elaine Shofer***
 - *The Humanity First Feed a Family Program is very supportive and helpful, especially at a time when I'm laid-off and the bills keep increasing. The support I*

receive helps me get food on the table for my family, and I can't thank you enough! The work these people do should be recognized and admired. Thank you Humanity First! **Leo Braslavsky**

- *Humanity First has been outstanding! No matter when I call, you are always there to help, especially during the difficult times when my son was diagnosed with cancer and I myself am a senior, you sent extra food and every little bit helped! It's very, very hard as a senior on your own, but everything you have done for me has been very helpful, I have no complaints! May God bless you!* **Mary Mitchie**
- *We don't have any food, we need food. Our cupboards are completely empty. May God bless you all for what you have been doing for us, God Bless You! I told my social worker that you are one of the best people in the world, you help and heal people, your organization deserves a medal!* **Morten Cohan**
- *You have sent me a beautiful donation, and I wanted to let you know that I have received it, and I would like to thank you very much. This is all I wanted to say, and may God bless you for all the work you have done for all of us. Thank you!* **Siana Pratiwi**



2. Food Drives:

- ✓ 10 Internal Food Drives conducted by various groups:
 1. **The MI Group – Toronto Branch**
 2. **Vaughan Community Healthcare Center(VCHC)**
 3. **Charlton Public School**
 4. **Herbert Carnegie Public School (Food + Toy Drive)**
 5. **Louis-Honore Frechette Public School**
 6. **Robert J Lee Public School**
 7. **Kleinberg Public School**

8. Country Garden Montessori Academy

9. Vaughan Secondary High School – Bake sale

- ✓ 3 neighbourhood food drives were conducted, one in Peace Village, Maple and the other two in Ahmadiyya Abode of Peace Building in Toronto.
- ✓ AMJ Youth Association of Canada conducted their country-wide large scale Annual Food Drive in November and December, 2010, with over 100 volunteers who collected a total of 114,337lbs of food
- ✓ The members of AMJ Women Association of Canada conducted regular food drives throughout the year at their monthly meetings and other occasions in their branches.
- ✓ AMJ Women Association of Canada also organized a large scale food drive in November 2010, at one of their Annual Refresher Course and 45 branches generously participated from 6 regions across the Greater Toronto Area.



3. Feed the Homeless Program:

- ✓ **Downtown Toronto:** On December 24th and 25th, Humanity First volunteers served hot pizza, along with water and juice to homeless people in downtown Toronto to hundreds of homeless. Volunteers from all walks of life throughout the Toronto area participated in food distribution.



- ✓ **St-James Drop-in Center in Montreal:** Humanity First team visits the St. James Drop-in Center in Montreal where they cook and serve hot meals to around 30-40 homeless people every month.



4. Volunteer Management:

Humanity First was a popular charity of choice for many individuals, families, students and businesses. This year more than **1200** volunteers participated in Humanity First Food Bank activities, including new and returning volunteers, such as:

- ✓ **Walt Disney Co. 'Give a Day, Get a Disney Day':**
 - Humanity First Registered with Disney Inc. to provide volunteer opportunities to Canadian individuals and families to take part in community service from January to May, 2010
 - Walt Disney Co. launched a program called, '**Give a Day, Get a Disney Day**'. This promotion was designed to promote the spirit of volunteerism. The premise was if you gave a day of volunteer service to a registered charity, volunteers would receive a free one-day ticket to Disneyland or Walt Disney World theme park. Humanity First Canada partnered with Disney through the Hands On Network as a participating organization in this promotion
 - 400 families registered, including businesses

- Volunteers aged 5 to 60+ seniors volunteered at the food bank (sorted/organize food, packed food hampers, assisted with daily Food Bank Operations), conducted food drives and fundraised for Haiti Relief Efforts
- Volunteers left with a true feeling of self-fulfillment and accomplishment, and were delighted to volunteer for an organization which strives to help anyone anywhere in need. Many of the volunteers returned to volunteer again, even after having achieved the prerequisite for the Disney promotion



- ✓ **Members of AMJ Women Association of Canada** regularly volunteered from Greater Toronto area at the Humanity First Food Bank and performed various daily operations. This service was offered under their department of Community Services on a weekly basis.
 - An average of 20 to 30 Lajna members volunteered every month.
- ✓ **Leon’s Furniture:** In celebration of their 101 years of establishment, Leon’s Furniture chose Humanity First Food Bank as their channel to give back to community.
 - Their teams of staff and executives completed 100 hours of community services through participating in the food bank’s daily operations.
- ✓ **Schools and Community Members:**
 - More than 300 Students of local schools looking for volunteer hours participated in volunteer work at the Food Bank.
 - Two school teams came to the Food Bank as part of their school projects and helped in sorting food, organizing pantries and warehouse and packing family food hampers.
- ✓ **Food Bank Volunteer Testimonials:**
 - *I give all the credit to the HF food delivery management and the young leaders and volunteers who dedicate so much time to this very important endeavor. It also makes us realized that poverty exists not only in Third World countries but also in advanced countries like Canada. This is a very hands on way to expose our young volunteers to the service of humanity and creates a spirit of sacrifice and humbleness. J.T. Lone | Food Bank Delivery Management Coordinator*
 - *The sense of fulfillment that I receive from volunteering with Humanity First is incredible. However small my contribution may be, when we all work together, it adds up. I am grateful to have been given the opportunity to work with a team of such dedicated volunteers. Together, we can accomplish so much!*
Humda Tahir
 - *I just wanted to let you know that my family really enjoyed our volunteer experience at Humanity First. We were impressed with the organization and all of the volunteers that it takes to make it work - food donations, drivers who deliver the goods to needy families, preparing the food baskets, warehouse maintenance and then of course all of the volunteers who help run the business and the others who volunteer their time to help in disaster areas such as Haiti.*

Due to our experience on April 25th, my family appreciates what we have and how we can help others that are less fortunate than us. Thank you so much. You are extremely knowledgeable and very kind and we would like to help out again in the future. Andrea, Alain, Gabriella and Olivia Kret

WATER WELLS:

Humanity First Canada has drilled 11 boreholes until now in various villages around Nigeria state providing fresh clean water in remote villages where there was no source of fresh water within the 10 kilometer circumference:

Idoolehin	1
Umaisha	1
Onda	1
Ara	1
Ayegunle Gbege	1
Masudo	1
Maiduguri	3
Ijigbo	1
Purewater	1
Total	11 Boreholes



ORPHAN CARE:

Currently Humanity First is sponsoring 9 orphan children in Nigeria. Each orphan child has been given in the care of a foster family unit.

IT CENTERS:

There are two IT Centers sponsored by Humanity First Canada working well at the following locations in Nigeria, Africa:

1. Ayegunle Gbede, Kogi State
2. Umaisha, Nasarawa State

BANGLADESH LATRINE CONSTRUCTION:

1. 25 Latrines were built in a remote village of Char Onda in Rangabali district where previously Humanity First built cyclone proof homes.



PHILIPPINES FEED A FAMILY PROGRAM:

During the month of December 2010, Humanity First distributed food and household supplies to 155 needy families in the cities of Zamboanga and Navotas in Philippines.

Humanity First was founded in Philippines after the devastation of floods in September 2009.





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