

TURKEY NEEDS YOU!

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Dear Rotarian, you can help Midwest Mission send hope around the world - specifically to Turkey.

Rotary and Midwest Mission can partner to send disaster relief to Turkey, and in response to other disasters. Earlier this week, our partner, North Star Foundation, reached out about what we could send. North Star has a preexisting relationship with the Turkish Consulate, allowing containers to enter Turkey, as well as being able to send supplies through the Turkish Airlines.

They needed conveniently packaged hygiene supplies - like shampoo, toothbrushes, towels, etc. packaged together in ziplock bags for easy distribution. That is exactly what Midwest Mission does - Personal Dignity Kits.

Personal Dignity Kits include shampoo, deodorant, toothbrush and toothpaste, a razor, bar of soap, washcloth, and a hand towel. These kits provide the basic hygiene supplies that are needed when someone has lost everything. People are in desperate need of the things we take for granted every day. What was once common for them, is now a rarity, and we can supply what they need. We will also be sending 2500 emergency blankets as well as tents. Currently, we are in the process of figuring out the logistics to send \$250,000 worth of Meals Ready to Eat, donated by Baja Bridges to Rotary.

You can sponsor the items for one container to Turkey.

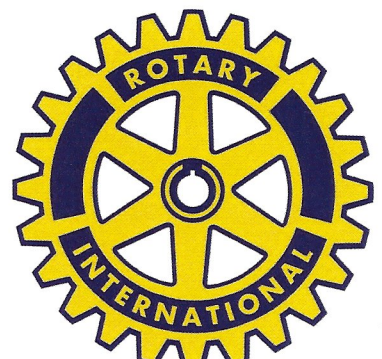
We need to raise \$126,000 for one container of humanitarian aid.

Monetary donations allow us to quickly buy supplies in bulk, and buy what is specifically requested by our partners in **Turkey**. In 2022, for every \$1 spent, we sent \$7.85 of supplies - **we steward our resources well**. And, we are 99% funded by donations. We have the volunteers, now we need **Rotary to fund the kits**.

This is one of the first shipments - there will be more. And, there will always be more disasters. Your donations will equip Midwest Mission with the resources needed to be ready when we are called upon for more shipments.

In the midst of a crisis, we don't just send Personal Dignity Kits, we also send:

- Rice Meals
- Student Kits
- Feminine Hygiene Kits
- Medical Supplies and Equipment
- Layette Kits
- Birthing Kits
- Bed Packs
- Home Care Ki



About Midwest Mission

Midwest Mission is a nonprofit started in March 2000 by Jack Travelstead, a United Methodist pastor who believed in serving people who need help. Our mission is to bring the hearts and hands of God's people together to transform resources into humanitarian aid, so we can show God's love in a practical way to those in need in their time of crisis.

Around the world and around the corner people are lacking simple resources that could improve their circumstances. That's why Midwest Mission sends tangible resources to make an intangible difference in their lives through hope and empowerment. In times of crisis internationally and in the United States, we send Disaster Relief, Health, Education, and Micro Business supplies distributed freely through trusted partner nonprofits.

If you want to learn more about what Midwest Mission does and how you can get involved, visit www.midwestmission.org or visit our Facebook at www.facebook.com/midwestmission.

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P.O. Box 615
Springfield, IL 62705
Memo: Disaster Relief Fund

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