

Embrace Relief's Year-End

IMPACT REPORT 2024













INTRODUCTION

The year 2024 presented significant challenges for the global community, with millions affected by conflict, natural disasters, poverty, and countless other barriers to peace and prosperity. At Embrace Relief, we have not only felt the weight of these challenges but also witnessed the incredible potential for positive change.

We are deeply grateful to our global network of donors, partner organizations, and volunteers, whose dedication made it possible for us to positively impact **more than half a million people worldwide** in 2024. Your support has allowed Embrace Relief to continue our 16-year mission of delivering critical humanitarian aid to individuals and communities facing both acute crises and chronic hardships.

As we set ambitious goals for expanding our impact in 2025, we are excited to work together with you to create a better, more equitable world.

But before we turn the page to the new year, we are proud to share this impact report, outlining our activities and achievements in 2024 — both internationally and within the United States. Through these pages, we aim to demonstrate how your generosity translates into real, meaningful change for those in need.

Thank you for your unwavering support!



People Benefitting From Embrace Relief Programs in 2024





CLEAN WATER

2024 MILESTONES

- Embrace Relief's Clean Water program celebrated a notable achievement in 2024 with the building of our 1,000th water well since the program launched in 2013.
 To date, more than 1 million people have benefitted from Embrace Relief water wells.
- Our 3rd Annual H2Ow Far Can You Walk 5K Walkathon at Liberty State Park
 in Jersey City was another strong success, helping to raise awareness and funds
 to confront the clean water crisis.



- Clean Water Initiative
 - 99 new water wells built in Chad, Nigeria, Tanzania, Kenya and Uganda
- Fountains of Hope
 - o 54 reconstructed water wells built in Chad, Cameroon and Nigeria



HUNGER RELIEF

2024 IMPACT

• International Hunger Relief

- 233,576 people across 21 countries received food packages, meat packages, and hot meals through Embrace Relief's International Hunger Relief campaigns.
 - Ramadan 2024 campaign: 68,030 people in 19 countries received food packages
 - **Qurbani 2024 campaign:** 165,546 people in 21 countries received meat packages

• Yemen Food Distribution

- **558,000 loaves of bread** were given out to refugee families in need in Al-Azraqeen camp, Sana'a, Yemen.
- **59,760 people** received food aid in Yemen through various programs, including a daily bread distribution and our International Hunger Relief campaigns.









HEALTH/CATARACT

2024 MILESTONES

- Embrace Relief's Cure Cataract program achieved a milestone by sponsoring its
 40,000th free cataract surgery since the beginning of the program in 2015.
- The Health program saw a **successful expansion** of our mobile clinic into the country of Burkina Faso, providing medical services (including cataract surgeries) to those who need them.





- Cure Cataract
 - 1,300 people in Mali received free cataract surgeries from Embrace Relief's clinic in Bamako, as well as its mobile clinics
 - 19,500 people received complimentary health screenings at these clinics
- Medical Camps
 - **1,050 people in Uganda** received health screenings, medicine, and other treatments at Embrace Relief's two-day medical camp in Jinja Walukuba.





ORPHAN CARE

2024 MILESTONES

- Expanded the Orphan Care program to support 20 children at the Aisha
 Memorial Centre Orphanage in Uganda.
- **Reconstructed the roof of our partner orphanage in Colombia** after it suffered damage from a hurricane.





- 204 children in 8 partner orphanages received regular aid from Embrace Relief, covering basic needs including food, shelter, health insurance and educational support.
- 19,600 meals were provided to children at our partner orphanages in 2024, including daily iftar and suhoor meals during Ramadan, as well as regular food package distributions.





WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

2024 MILESTONES

• Embrace Relief successfully launched a new program to provide college-level education to girls and women in Afghanistan.





- L.E.A.R.N. (Afghan women's education)
 - o Initial class of 20 students is currently enrolled and underway in their studies.
- R.I.S.E. (Tanzania women's education)
 - 24 students in Tanzania continued their post-graduate education thanks to scholarships from this program.
- S.E.E.D. (sustainable entrepreneurship)
 - 135 women in Ethiopia and Nigeria received livestock, encouraging them to start and grow their own agribusinesses.





DISASTER RELIEF

- Gaza conflict
 - **2,500 infants received nutritional powdered milk** to ease the burden on mothers during the conflict in Gaza.
 - 2,000 schoolchildren and their caregivers received psychological and educational support.
- Lebanon conflict
 - **12,000 hot meals** were provided to refugees living in temporary shelters during the October-December conflict in Lebanon.
 - **100 refugee children received warm winter clothing** at two distribution events.
- Uganda floods
 - **100 families received emergency food packages** after severe flooding and landslides in Sironko District, Uganda.
- Cameroon floods
 - 100 families received emergency food packaging following August floods that impacted northern and western Cameroon
- Spain floods
 - Cleaning crews supported by Embrace Relief helped to clean buildings damaged by the October floods in eastern Spain





REFUGEE RELIEF

2024 Impact

- Refugees in Greece
 - **29 refugee families received monthly assistance** with their most significant expenses, including rent and food.
 - **900 refugee families received food packages** during food distribution events.
 - **130 students received backpacks** containing school supplies and a small amount of cash assistance.





HUNGER RELIEF

- Ramadan and Qurbani 2024
 - Approximately 35,000 people in the United States received food packages and meat packages from Embrace Relief as part of our International Hunger Relief campaigns.
- Mobile Farmers' Market (Clifton, NI)
 - Approximately 150 Clifton families per month received free, nutritious and fresh produce from Embrace Relief's Mobile Market truck, a program that has been ongoing since 2023.
- Thanksgiving Turkey Distribution
 - Approximately **600 turkeys were distributed to families** in need in New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and Georgia in the week prior to Thanksgiving.
- Virginia Soup Kitchen
 - 65 families per month received hot and nutritious meals from a monthly soup kitchen hosted by Embrace Relief's Virginia chapter
- New York Food Distribution
 - **200 homeless New Yorkers received food and winter clothing** at an event cohosted by Embrace Relief's New York chapter and the Brooklyn Amity School.





DISASTER RELIEF

- Hurricanes Milton and Helene
 - Embrace Relief provided support to American Red Cross chapters in both North Jersey and Seattle to aid relief efforts supporting victims of Helene and Milton in Florida, Georgia, and North Carolina.
- Embrace Relief in partnership with Valley Hope Church, Mighty Men of God (MMOG) Ministries, Divan Center, and Camp Happy Feet Ministries hosted a food truck and Christmas toy giveaway for families in Swannanoah, N.C., one of the communities hit by Helene.



EDUCATION/CHILDREN

- Backpack Drive (New Jersey)
 - 1,734 students in New Jersey received backpacks full of school supplies in August at distribution events.
- Toy Drive (New York)
 - **200 children received gifts from a toy drive** held in Brooklyn, NY, by Embrace Relief in partnership with New York City Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse.



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Veterans Support
 - Embrace Relief made a donation to support **Community Hope**, a Parsippany, NJ-based nonprofit organization that provides mental health support, housing aid, and other services to military veterans and others in need.
- Clothing Drives
 - Embrace Relief partnered with the FBI Newark Citizens Academy Alumni Association and Yolanda's LOVE, a Newark, NJ-based nonprofit organization dedicated to providing support for women who have experienced domestic violence, to distribute more than **130 winter coats** to those in need.



GROUP FUNDRAISING

2024 IMPACT

- Group Fundraising
 - **12 US-based groups**, including schools and community organizations, successfully completed group fundraising projects in 2024.
- Humanitarian Trips
 - **8 groups successfully completed their fundraisers** and were able to embark on humanitarian trips abroad, providing aid firsthand to communities in need.

Humanitarian Trips:



Fulton Science Academy: Opened 5 water wells in Tanzania



Bergen Charter High School:

Opened a water well, painted school classrooms and distributed food to orphanages in Kenya



East Pennsylvania Student Group:
Opened a water well, restored two schools, distributed food packages, and helped Albino children in Tanzania



Sky Academy: Opened 2 water wells in Tanzania



Helping Hands Club:
Opened 1 water well and sponsored a medical camp in Uganda



Peace Islands Institute:
Distributed school supplies and food packages in Uganda



NOICA Youth:
Opened a water well, organized a book drive, and distributed food packages in Tanzania



Midwest Leadership Program:
Opened a water well, distributed solar panels, provided food packages, and visited an orphanage in Kenya





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