LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF (LWR) works to improve the lives of smallholder farmers and people experiencing poverty in Africa, Asia and Latin America, both in times of emergencies and for the long term. With a focus on underserved rural communities, we work in some of the world’s poorest and most marginalized communities, serving people in need regardless of race, religion or ethnicity.

We maximize the impact of our work by partnering with local organizations and governments, as well as membership organizations, institutional donors and corporations to provide solutions that build on communities’ existing strengths.

MISSION
Affirming God’s love for all people, we work with Lutherans and partners around the world to end poverty, injustice and human suffering.

VISION
Empowered by God’s unconditional love in Jesus Christ, we envision a world in which each person, every community and all generations live in justice, dignity and peace.
FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is an honor to share the results of Lutheran World Relief’s work around the world in 2014. With your support we reached more than 4.7 MILLION PEOPLE IN 35 COUNTRIES, reducing poverty, alleviating suffering and bringing hope to the world’s poor and marginalized. The lasting impact will affect generations as families and communities work their way out of poverty.

What a privilege it is to have been chosen to lead this organization as it embarks on an effort to significantly increase our impact in the years to come. After having spent a career in diplomacy, working around the world at the nexus of political, security and economic issues, I have come to understand the wisdom in the words of the Nobel Laureate Norman Borlaug, that “you can’t build a peaceful world on empty stomachs and human misery.” And I believe deeply that real change comes only with true partnership at the grassroots level. LWR has been a trail blazer, leading the way with its model of working hand-in-hand with local partners and community leaders.

As the son of a Lutheran pastor, I’ve known about LWR from a young age. Since I arrived in July, I have been impressed, time and time again, with the professionalism, the innovative ideas, the passion and dedication of our staff all over the world.

In coming years we will be exploring innovative ways to grow our impact by investing in new partnerships, tapping technology, increasing our efficiency and replicating our successes. We also hope to bring you closer to the life-changing experiences we have every day, working with families and communities around the world.

Thank you for your partnership, support and dedication to the call to serve our neighbor. Without you, none of this work would be possible. I hope you will join us in redoubling our efforts to make a lasting impact in reaching those in need and changing the world.

Ambassador Daniel Speckhard (rt.)
President and CEO
WHERE WE WORK

In 2014, together we reached

MORE THAN
4.7 MILLION PEOPLE
IN
35 COUNTRIES
THROUGH
153 PROJECTS
WITH
129 PARTNERS

In Rachuonyo South, Kenya, more than 5,100 coffee farmers learned to grow an abundant and healthy coffee crop that would lead to better income and a better life for their family. They also learned how to work together in a cooperative effort to sell their coffee for better prices. Here, members of the cooperative sort coffee cherries before processing.

View more statistics about our programmatic reach at lwr.org/impact.

WHERE WE WORK

IN ADDITION TO PROJECTS

* Countries with LWR Field Offices

† LWR opened its Sri Lanka program in response to the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami, which closed with the end of tsunami activities before FY14. The report reflects only the close-out of one final tsunami-related project in early FY14. LWR is no longer active in the country.

ACTIVE PROJECTS
MATERIAL RESOURCE DISTRIBUTION
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R on Fosher and his wife, Deb Mump, have indeed built a relationship of lasting partnership with Lutheran World Relief over the years. Ron says being Lutheran was simply the catalyst for the Minneapolis-based couple to give LWR a first look.

"It’s not just a one-time gift. We’re building a relationship." Ron says. "We think our gifts have a lasting impact in the lives of more people than just the people we are partnering with. It’s the impact of your donation." The more layers I saw, the more relational I became — especially the emphasis on accompaniment — and where we are partnering with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania to try to meet people’s basic needs, we could support," Ron says. "We support LWR because we know our gift will go where the needs are greatest and help people pull themselves out of poverty."

Thank you for partnering with LWR to end poverty, injustice and suffering around the world. As you read the pages of this report, you will be moved. You will be inspired. You will feel the impact of your generosity.

Lou Fosher sits with children he met during an LWR project visit in Tanzania, where we are partnering with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania to try to meet people’s basic needs. "It’s the impact of your donation." The more layers I saw, the more relational I became — especially the emphasis on accompaniment — and where we are partnering with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania to try to meet people’s basic needs, we could support," Ron says. "We support LWR because we know our gift will go where the needs are greatest and help people pull themselves out of poverty.

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OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, a combination of unstable rain patterns, drought and rising food costs have put more than 20 million people at risk of hunger in the Sahel region of West Africa. That means many people — especially women — have been forced to make hard choices to get by. During times of crisis, women farmers tend to be particularly vulnerable because they typically own less land, livestock and other assets, and often have to sell what little they have to make ends meet.

Meet Lankwande (left) and Noali (right), who live in the village of Piaga in Burkina Faso. Both belong to their village women’s group, where they come together for support, learning and collective action. LWR is working with this group, along with two others, to help women learn to support one another and find more sustainable sources of income.

For example, LWR is supporting a livestock-sharing process called habbanayé. The women came together to identify the most vulnerable among them who would receive both male and female goats, along with training on their care. When the goats produce kids, the women pass along the adults to another family in need. Over time, the women of Piaga are building herds. Their livestock helps them earn income to cover their basic household needs, pay school fees for their children and provide health care for their families.

With your partnership, more than 1,100 WOMEN RECEIVED A GOAT through this program, and 76 VOLUNTEERS have received training in improved livestock rearing, which they have shared with 352 PEOPLE. By 2016, 660 PEOPLE will have received training on improved animal production from these volunteers.

PROJECT SPOTLIGHT:
WEST AFRICA

THIS PROJECT MADE POSSIBLE BY:
GENEROUS SUPPORT OF
INDIVIDUALS AND CONGREGATIONS
ACT ALLIANCE
BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA
MARGARET A. CARGILL FOUNDATION
UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

9,100+ PEOPLE BENEFITING FROM CASH-FOR-WORK ACTIVITIES
LWR has invested in a long-term response to poverty, hunger and changing weather conditions in Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger. We call the work RESILIENCE PLUS.

More than 9,100 PEOPLE have benefitted from CASH-FOR-WORK ACTIVITIES, which provide an opportunity for people to earn money during the "hungry season," after most families have eaten all the grain they saved from the previous year’s harvest and before they’ve harvested for the current year. Participants construct stone terraces that help conserve soil and dig half-moon-shaped trenches that help conserve water. This work helps people earn money to meet their immediate needs, and the activities contribute to future agricultural productivity.

353 PEOPLE have received training in improved AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AND STORAGE TECHNIQUES to boost 2014 harvest productivity.

More than 590 PRODUCER ORGANIZATION MEMBERS have benefitted from ORGANIZATIONAL GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING.

Read more about the programs you support in West Africa at programs.lwr.org/resilience.

Noali (right) holds her women’s group membership and records log. Inside the booklet is a photo of each group member, along with identifying information about them and loan payments they have made.
SEVU AND HIS FAMILY KNOW HUNGER. For years they tried to survive as subsistence farmers in Kenya’s Makueni County, about 100 miles southeast of Nairobi. But drought and lack of access to water meant the family often struggled.

Farmers in this region rely on the Makindu River for irrigation. But the water in the river only flows during certain times of the year; otherwise, it is dry. In the past, farmers didn’t have a good way to capture water from the river to use later in the year.

Your support has made a lasting difference for Sevu and other families by providing access to water in one of Kenya’s driest areas.

In partnership with five community organizations in the region, we’ve constructed six structures called sand dams, which are made of reinforced concrete walls built across dry riverbeds. The dam works by trapping sand, filled with water, during the rainy season. The dam holds the water behind the wall, while the sand reduces evaporation. After that, people can dig into the riverbed and access the accumulated water. Sand dams can store millions of liters of water and refill after each rainfall, giving farmers access to water year-round.

LWR also installed solar-powered well pumps. Traditionally, farmers accessed underground water with pumps that ran on diesel fuel, but that was expensive and required special equipment. Now solar panels power the pumps that draw water from below the surface. When a farmer wants to purchase water, they insert an electronic key into a machine that resembles an ATM machine and water is dispensed nearby. Funds from these water-use fees are used to maintain the borehole and the pump.

Thanks to your generosity, LWR has helped construct 11 BOREHOLES and SIX SAND DAMS that will provide water access to more than 1,800 HOUSEHOLDS in Makueni County.

See how sand dams work and hear Sevu’s story in his own words at lwro.org/sevu.

THIS PROJECT MADE POSSIBLE BY:
GENEROS SUPPORT OF INDIVIDUALS AND CONGREGATIONS

1,800+ HOUSEHOLDS
Combating Poverty with Technology

Sand dams are a simple technology that works. We look for ways to use technology to improve the lives of farmers around the world. With your support, we’re combating poverty with technology:

In **UGANDA** and **KENYA**, we are equipping coffee farmers with smart phones to access expert agricultural information so that they can be a resource to fellow farmers in their community.

In **NEPAL**, we’re helping citrus farmers construct Zero-Energy Cold Storage Units, where fruit can be stored in an environment that is a few degrees cooler than outside so that farmers can hold onto fruit an additional three to five months and sell when market demand is higher.

In **PERU**, in partnership with local governments and a partner with expertise in sustainable energy solutions, we’re bringing electricity and access to safe water for cooking, bathing and sanitation to homes and schools in villages high in the Andes Mountains.

Read about all of these projects in LWR Special Reports at lwr.org/specialreports.
MASNIDAR, HER HUSBAND, ZULKARNAEN, AND THEIR THREE CHILDREN LIVE IN THE PROVINCE OF ACEH IN INDONESIA. Indonesia is a vast archipelago of thousands of islands extending 3,200 miles east to west, between the Indian and Pacific Oceans. The country is highly vulnerable to natural disasters like tsunamis, earthquakes, floods, volcanos and landslides because it is situated along the so-called Pacific Ring of Fire, which is the world’s greatest earthquake belt.

LWR and partners are working to help families like Masnidar’s protect their land and community. Through this project, communities have been planting mangroves — trees whose massive root systems provide a buffer against storm surges and protect land against soil erosion and contamination.

In addition, LWR is working with families to recover and diversify their livelihoods to create sustainable sources of income. Traditionally, many families in this region made income through fishing, agriculture, raising small livestock (such as chickens), as well as service industry work.

Through this LWR project, we are helping families build off of those traditional sources of livelihood to create alternative sources of income. Those activities include learning to make tea from mangrove leaves, processing cassava into cassava chips and improving rice production by securing and using post-harvest processing equipment. We are also providing livestock to help families recover their small livestock inventories. That’s how Masnidar and her husband received 120 chicks and some starter feed. The chicks take just 120 days to mature, at which time they can be bred or sold to restaurants for food, providing income to Masnidar’s family.

The project also helped the couple purchase a pressure washer so that they could start a motorbike washing business.

With your lasting partnership, LWR has been able to stay in Indonesia 10 years after the devastating Indian Ocean Tsunami first brought us there. Your generosity is making a lasting impact as we work to help families become resilient and prepared to face the future.

LWR has rehabilitated more than 437 hectares (nearly 1,080 acres) of coastal mangrove forest in the Philippines and Indonesia. LWR aims to plant more than 1 million new mangrove seedlings in Indonesia alone.

THIS PROJECT MADE POSSIBLE BY:

GENEROUS SUPPORT OF INDIVIDUALS AND CONGREGATIONS
UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
10 Years Later: 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami

December 26, 2014 marked 10 years since the devastating Indian Ocean Tsunami. In response, LWR received more than $19 million in private donations. Your overwhelming generosity — unprecedented in LWR’s history — allowed us to provide life-saving aid to communities and commit to the long-term recovery of the region during the past decade.

Read about LWR’s emergency response to the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami in Indonesia, Sri Lanka and India in our 10-year report at programs.lwr.org/asia/indonesia.

Overseas Tsunami Recovery Program Expenses by Country

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*Expenses include program management expense incurred in the Philippines, Thailand and Nepal by LWR field offices providing technical support to implementing partners and contributions to the ACT Alliance for multi-country relief activities, including $100K for recovery efforts in Somalia.

437+ hectares of mangrove forest rehabilitated.
IT’S 3:00 PM. YOU HEAR A VOICE YELLING OUTSIDE YOUR HOUSE. “THE FLOODS HAVE COME! LEAVE NOW!”

As you spring into action, you wonder, where are your children? Outside playing? Are they within shouting distance? Did all your loved ones hear the warning? As you rush out of the house, what do you grab? Will you have time to find the small bit of savings you’ve stashed away for an emergency? You have less than one hour — will you make it out in time?

Where do you go? If the floods will only be waist high you can wait it out on your roof for a few days, but if the flooding waters are too strong, you must completely evacuate.

These are the decisions faced by people in the Narayani/Gandak River Basin area, along the border between Nepal and India. Families living here know the floods will come, as they do every year. Unfortunately, many families simply don’t have the means to move their homes and livelihoods to safer areas. What they needed was a way to know when floods are coming and how bad floods are likely to be.

LWR in partnership with DanChurchAid — a Danish relief and development organization and ACT Alliance partner — worked with 17 COMMUNITIES in this region to organize into taskforces on both sides of the border. Now communities are interacting with one another to issue flood warnings.

We’ve equipped village leaders with emergency phones. When floods approach, they use a phone tree to notify the community. We’ve also trained people in villages to be a central point of contact. When this person receives the call about on-coming floods, they walk through the village with a megaphone to warn families to prepare or evacuate.

We’ve also helped villages install flood markers. These are posts with simple colors that identify water levels. Since illiteracy rates in this region are high, the colors are a simple yet effective way of making sure people understand the warnings. Task forces have also developed evacuation plans and have been trained on first aid and other critical emergency skills.

Your support has given more than 800 PEOPLE in this region the precious gift of time. To account for family members. To pack. To evacuate safely. In a region where lives and livelihoods are at risk from these floods, your partnership is making a real and lasting difference.
Building on the successes and learnings from this cross-border early warning system project, LWR is expanding this work to reach **49 MORE COMMUNITIES** with more than **15,300 PEOPLE** affected by dangerous flooding in Nepal and India. And in partnership with Yale University, LWR will be implementing an innovative monitoring and evaluation tool to capture resilience indicators at the start of monsoon season so we can adjust program implementation as needed to help communities become more resilient even more quickly.
NEVARDO GOMEZ AND HIS WIFE live in the community of Nuevo Quezada, in Nicaragua. They have grown corn, rice and beans on their farm for 22 years, but those crops didn’t always generate enough income to support the family.

Cocoa is a locally grown cash crop that has the potential to create sustainable income for farmers like Nevardo. However, farmers weren’t producing high quality cocoa for several reasons. They lacked agricultural knowledge, especially on how to process cocoa after harvesting it. In addition, cocoa plants require a certain temperature range to thrive, and warmer weather meant farmers were producing less cocoa.

That’s why LWR is working with more than 860 FARMERS to improve their cocoa production and quality. Through the project, farmers are getting training on good cocoa growing techniques, like pruning, shading and the importance of fertilizer use. They are also learning better post-harvest processing practices that help preserve the quality of their cocoa.

In addition, farmers have had the opportunity to receive feedback on their cocoa from chocolate companies, like Ritter Sport, which have provided guidance on growing export-quality cocoa.

Nevardo says he’s learned a lot of skills that are helping him grow quality cocoa. He attended a training on how to make organic fertilizer and reports it’s improving his production. And now he prunes his trees and makes sure they have plenty of shade, which helps the plants grow even in hot weather.

“Like us, the plants have needs and we have to take care of them,” Nevardo says.

To Nevardo, his farm is not just a source of family income, it’s his family’s future. “I believe that everyone should have dreams for the future,” he says. “We have to be thinking about our family and seek better conditions for the future.”

Meet Nevardo at lwr.org/nevardo.

PROJECT SPOTLIGHT: CENTRAL AMERICA

LWR WINS PATHWAYS TO PROSPERITY INNOVATION CHALLENGE

In July 2014, LWR was awarded $500,000 from the Pathways to Prosperity Innovation Challenge to scale up our cocoa programs in Central America. More than 600 entrants pitched their solutions in response to the competition, which was conducted by the World Environment Center (WEC), on behalf of the U.S. Department of State and the Pathways to Prosperity Initiative, to discover existing innovative, high-impact solutions that are helping create strong micro and small enterprises in Latin America and that have potential to be scaled up to reach larger populations and new geographies. Using the new Pathways funding, LWR will help 4,000 farm micro-enterprises in Nicaragua, Honduras and El Salvador, with potential expansion to additional countries, to improve their competitiveness in marketing cocoa.

THIS PROJECT MADE POSSIBLE BY:

GORGEOUS SUPPORT OF INDIVIDUALS AND CONGREGATIONS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE
More than 860 FARMERS from nine cocoa organizations and three women’s organizations received training on improved cocoa growing techniques.

As a result of training, 304 FARMERS and SEVEN COOPERATIVES used improved post-harvest practices to increase the quality of their cocoa.

By increasing the quality of cocoa, two cooperatives established their first export sale to chocolate company Ritter Sport, causing a 270 PERCENT INCREASE in the price of their cocoa. That means more income for cocoa producers and their families!
LEOPOLDO GARCIA WANTS WHAT MOST FATHERS WANT FOR THEIR CHILDREN — for them to be healthy and well provided for. He’s a farmer who lives in the community of Zapote, in Honduras, where malnutrition is all too common.

Leopoldo grows several crops, including corn and beans — and also coffee, a cash crop with the potential for long-term income. But lately coffee crops in the region have suffered due to leaf rust, a crop disease that can kill whole coffee trees. Once a coffee tree dies, it can take years to replace its production.

With your support, LWR and partners are reaching out to farmers in 12 COMMUNITIES in the Copán Ruinas, Copan Santa Rita and Cabañas municipalities to improve their crop production, combat leaf rust and earn sustainable income.

To help farmers improve production, we are helping them access credit so they can purchase things like quality seeds (including disease-resistant coffee seeds) and irrigation equipment. We’re also working with families to grow vegetables to sell at the market and promoting greater variety in household diets.

Leopoldo works as a Community Agricultural Promoter, working with fellow farmers to teach good coffee growing practices. By working with farmers in this way, Leopoldo can help them increase both their yields and the quality of their coffee.

Your partnership has made a lasting difference, encouraging better nutrition and empowering community leaders to help farmers and families thrive.

LWR believes that satisfying growing global demand for coffee and cocoa and improving the lives of farmers can and should go hand in hand. Through our GROUND UP INITIATIVE we work with farmers around the world to:

- Advance rural development
- Protect natural resources
- Improve quality
- Increase food security

Read more about why and how we invest at programs.lwr.org/groundup.
In the early morning of November 8, 2013, Typhoon Haiyan made landfall in the Philippines’ Eastern Visayas region. The storm was the strongest typhoon to hit the Philippines in 2013, and international media report that it was one of the strongest to make landfall in recorded history.

With your generous support, LWR committed a 2 AND A 1/2 YEAR PROGRAM to support the immediate and long-term recovery needs of more than 160,000 of the most vulnerable people affected by the typhoon. The first phase of this effort, now complete, focused on meeting immediate needs. The second phase, which started in September 2014, will focus on long-term recovery.

Read on to learn how your gifts have made a lasting impact so far.

Delia Moreno is a widow and grandmother whose home was completely destroyed by Typhoon Haiyan. She received a shelter repair kit from LWR and has rebuilt a stronger and more secure house.
CASH-FOR-WORK

With your help, LWR offered a cash-for-work program to **4,790 PEOPLE** after the storm, which benefited nearly **24,000 PEOPLE**. Leonida and others were paid to clear debris from public spaces, like schools and drainage canals. This work helps the community move forward while giving people the opportunity to earn income for their families’ immediate needs.

“The cash-for-work program was a very big help for us,” Leonida says. “We were able to buy materials for the house and food for my family. We are really thankful you came to our community.”

Meet Leonida at lwr.org/leonida.

SHELTER

Rosaline Odlang is a mother of three and a fruit and vegetable farmer who lives just outside of Ormoc City in the Leyte Province. Her home was completely destroyed in the storm. To earn money to rebuild, Rosaline took a job three hours away, forcing her to leave her husband and children behind.

With your help, and in partnership with Habitat for Humanity Philippines, LWR’s shelter response began just **10 DAYS AFTER THE TYPHOON HIT**. These kits contained items like lumber, nails and tools to help families like Rosaline’s rebuild. Through your generosity, LWR was able to distribute **5,345 SHELTER REPAIR KITS**.

Your gifts made a lasting impression on Rosaline, who couldn’t express her gratitude enough. She said she is incredibly happy to be back home.

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

In the wake of the storm, your gifts reached out to many people who lacked access to safe drinking water, sanitation facilities and hygiene materials.

LWR worked with ChildFund Philippines to install **240 COMMUNITY WATER FILTRATION UNITS** in child-centered spaces — such as schools and day care centers — to ensure that communities have access to safe drinking water in the storm’s aftermath.

To help address gaps in sanitation and hygiene, LWR supported the construction of household latrines and provided other needed hygiene materials. We also supported government officials in our response areas as they worked to improve community and household sanitation and hygiene of typhoon-affected families.
Elvira Apawan (above) lives on Bantayan Island and holds a solar lamp that she received. Her family was among many who lost power after the storm and even when power began to come back, brown outs were frequent. In total, 16,125 SOLAR LAMPS were distributed across Bantayan Island.

Your gifts also made it possible to help people jumpstart their livelihoods of fisherfolk on Bantayan Island by distributing commodity vouchers to replace things such as nets and other equipment and repair their boats. Thanks to your generous support, LWR was able to provide vouchers to 2,700 HOUSEHOLDS.

LWR also provided QUILTS, BABY CARE KITS, SCHOOL KITS, PERSONAL CARE KITS AND TOOTHPASTE to people affected by the typhoon. Four containers of items made their way from the United States to Cebu City, where LWR’s local staff worked with partners to identify people in need of the items and distribute them.

LWR is proud to serve as the Philippines' focal point for Sphere Humanitarian Standards. To ensure that relief and recovery efforts were of high quality and accountable to beneficiaries, LWR hosted trainings for more than 620 INTERNATIONAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONALS from various organizations and agencies.
With your support, LWR strengthens communities to achieve lasting results through programs in agriculture, climate and emergency operations. As we forge ahead, we’re keeping a close watch on countries and regions facing threats to agriculture supply and income stability.

**INDONESIA**, where more than a third of the population (76+ million people) depends on agriculture for income, which could be destroyed by coastal flooding due to rising seawaters, land-damaging earthquakes or another tsunami.

**CENTRAL AMERICA**, especially Honduras, El Salvador and Nicaragua, where there have been two consecutive years of poor harvests due to rain irregularity, drought and leaf rust.

**IRAQ**, where armed conflict has escalated significantly with the rise of ISIS, displacing more than 2 million people and putting more than 5 million in need of humanitarian assistance to access such basic services as water and sanitation.

**THE SAHEL REGION**, especially Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger, where the cumulative effect of repeated food and humanitarian crises, coupled with changing weather patterns has left more than 18 million people at risk of hunger.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR LASTING PARTNERSHIP IN THIS WORK.**
Together, we will continue to work toward an end to poverty, injustice and human suffering.

Visit lwr.org/haiyan for a one-year comprehensive report of LWR’s response to Typhoon Haiyan.
COVER IMAGE: Hermógenes Pastrán Reyes is a smallholder farmer in Nicaragua. Through an LWR project in his community, he learned to grow and harvest better quality cocoa. His farmer group is now selling more than five tons of cocoa per year and has won first place at Nicaragua’s national cocoa quality competition (Morgan Arnold for LWR).

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Cooperative members sort coffee on newly-acquired drying beds in Rachuonyo South, Kenya.