Join us in celebrating IOCC’s 25 years of help, hope, and dignity.
Inspiration

“For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you welcomed me; I was naked and you clothed me; I was sick and you visited me; I was in prison and you came to me ... as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.”

—Matthew 25:35–36, 40
Who We Are

IOCC is the humanitarian aid agency of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America. IOCC works in cooperation with the Orthodox Church and on behalf of Orthodox Christians to serve all those in need. In carrying out its mission, IOCC applies the highest professional standards and renders itself fully accountable to the public and its donors.
Our Mission

IOCC, in the spirit of Christ’s love, offers emergency relief and development programs to those in need worldwide, without discrimination, and strengthens the capacity of the Orthodox Church to so respond.
How We Serve

• Agriculture and food security programs help rural families raise their levels of nutrition, standards of living, and agricultural productivity.

• Emergency response programs address the immediate needs of people suffering from natural disaster, war, or civil unrest.

• Education programs improve access to learning for children and youth, as well as nurture local leaders who advocate for their communities and promote the general welfare.
How We Serve (cont.)

• **Health** programs help protect the well-being of communities through prevention and intervention.

• **Water and sanitation** programs help improve access to clean, safe water and minimize public-health threats in vulnerable communities.

• **Economic opportunity** programs give people the tools to work their way out of poverty with dignity.
IOCC History

IOCC was formed in the wake of crisis 25 years ago and has continued to meet the needs of the world’s most vulnerable people and communities in the midst of historic upheaval—from the dissolution of the Soviet Union and wars in the former Yugoslavia to the current civil war in Syria and ongoing economic crisis gripping Greece. As the official humanitarian aid agency of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America, IOCC has provided more than $600 million in humanitarian assistance to vulnerable people in more than 50 countries.
Join the Celebration

• Learn about IOCC’s history at iocc.org/25years
• Share your IOCC stories on social media using the hashtag #IOCC25.
• Attend or plan a 25th Anniversary event in your area. Start at iocc.org/events.
• Pray for us and our continued work. Your prayers matter!
• Make a contribution or start an online fundraiser. Help ensure IOCC’s work for 25 more years!
Your Impact since 1992

- Farmers and small-business owners in the Balkans received **13,000** loans worth more than **$22 million**.
- Since 2012, some **4.5** million Syrian refugees received emergency aid like hygiene kits, shelter, food, clean water, and psychosocial counseling.
- In Greece, **10,000** small farmers in **40** agricultural co-ops received financial and technical support.
- In Tanzania, **11** wells were completed that provide clean water to more than **30,000** people.
- In the U.S., more than **1,200** volunteers donated over **32,000** hours to provide emergency relief.
Cameroon
Jordan

Photo: Paul Jeffrey
Serbia
Greece

Photo: Eleni Vourloumis
United States

Photo: Markella Petitsas
Display Board Instructions

The display board is a simple and effective way to draw attention to IOCC’s 25th Anniversary celebration. Use it as a tool to educate and spread awareness about the work of International Orthodox Christian Charities and to help raise funds for vulnerable families around the world.

Tools and Materials Needed:
Printed copy of the 25th Anniversary Display Toolkit (text, photos, etc.) • Scissors • Glue stick • Poster Board (trifold display boards can be purchased at most office-supply stores)

Step 1: Cut out the photos and the captions. You are free to use the text and images that are compelling to you. And you are welcome to add your own flair by changing fonts, size, etc.

Step 2: Arrange the photos and the captions on the display board.

Step 3: Glue down the photos and the captions. Be creative, and develop your own way of organizing the board!

Step 4: Set up the display board in a high-traffic area of your church or event space. Place handouts and brochures around the display, so that people can take additional information with them.

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