

ONE DAY

to FEED the WORLD



Convoy of Hope's *One Day to Feed the World* campaign is a simple way for you, your friends, and your family to transform the lives of those who are impoverished, hungry, and suffering. By giving one day's wage, you provide people with nutritious food, access to safe drinking water, and an opportunity for a brighter future through training and education.

It's about equal sacrifice, not equal giving.

**WORK ONE DAY, GIVE ONE DAY** 

#### DELIVERING HOPE SINCE 1994

We are a faith-based, nonprofit organization that has helped more than 250 million people worldwide through programs such as:

CHILDREN'S FEEDING

AGRICULTURE

WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

DISASTER SERVICES

RURAL INITIATIVES

COMMUNITY EVENTS



# ONE DAY IS WORKING

In dozens of countries around the world, millions of people are receiving nutritious food, better access to clean drinking water, and opportunities for a brighter future through training and education.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

More than 2.33 billion people are currently facing food insecurity. Of that, 864 million people are severely food insecure, posing grave risks to their health and well-being.

An estimated 692 million people live below the \$2.15 per day poverty line worldwide.\*

Like you, Convoy of Hope finds this unacceptable.

We believe every life has value. Because of that, we are determined to bring help and hope to those who are hurting.

<sup>\*</sup>Statistics obtained from reports published by the UN World Food Programme and the World Bank Group.

#### CHILDREN'S FEEDING Joseph's Story

"Sometimes I feel like I want to grow up really fast so I can help my mom." Poverty often robs children like Joseph the chance of just being a kid.

Joseph, a boy in the sixth grade in Zambia, used to go to school some days without any food because his mom couldn't pay the rent, cover school fees, and afford to feed her children at the same time.

His mom works hard, but she still had to take out loans to continue paying for school fees, rent, and new clothes for her children. Her income isn't enough to consistently feed her family.

Before Convoy started the feeding program, Joseph's friends would sleep in class so they could forget about the pain of hunger. Now, he and all his peers are fed consistent, nutritious meals.

"Most of us won't stop coming to school,"
Joseph said, "because we know at school we are going to find food, we are going to eat, and we are going to be healthy and satisfied. I'm very energetic. I get to think properly when I'm doing class work. It becomes easier ... because of the food program I even get to play."

Joseph doesn't have to grow up faster than any other child. He can be a kid because he doesn't have to think about how to help his mom, make sure his sisters are fed, and get food for himself.

"Like you are helping us, I pray to help others. I want to follow in your footsteps," Joseph said.

### **DISASTER SERVICES**Shantal - Maui Wildfires

In August of 2023, deadly wildfires raged through Maui, Hawaii. Houses, neighborhoods, and entire communities were decimated. Thousands of acres burned. More than 100 people lost their lives. Thousands of families lost their homes.

After the fires, people from towns like Lahaina were forced to take shelter in hotels, friends' homes, and even tents. Nine months after the fires, families still grappled with displacement.

Single mom Shantal has moved seven times since the fires. Her rental home in Lahaina was completely consumed. With a young son in his toddler years and a baby on the way, Shantal needed a stable place to call home — a luxury in a community left in ashes.

Convoy of Hope partnered with FEMA and two local furniture stores — BedMart and HomeWorld — to furnish the FEMA-provided rental homes for those left displaced in Maui.

In April, Shantal moved into her permanent rental. After months of instability, she could take a breath, stay in one place, and prepare for her baby.

Convoy of Hope provided beds, a baby crib, dressers, a dining table and chairs, and a couch for Shantal's new home.

"I am extremely grateful beyond words for your generosity and kindness," Shantal said. "Thank you for this huge blessing."

### **WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT**Arcelid's Story - Guatemala

"You have to do it for your son," Arcelid's mom told her.

Before becoming a mom, Arcelid dreamed of becoming a hairstylist. But without resources, support, and confidence, that dream felt impossible to reach.

"I hit bottom. I felt alone. I felt hopeless," Arcelid said.

Then Arcelid had a baby to care for. Her mom sent her information to CADA, Convoy of Hope's Center for Outreach, Development, and Friendship in Guatemala. There, Arcelid found a community that supported her, and she learned the skills she needed to become a successful hairstylist — she even teaches other women at CADA.

"I came back to life," she said. "I started dreaming again. I had hope again."

Arcelid found hope. Resiliency. She saw her dreams fulfilled. And she's providing for her son.

#### **AGRICULTURE** Dhan's Story - Nepal

Dhan, a farmer in a small village in Nepal, spent many years cultivating crops solely for survival. But four years ago, her life — and the lives of many women in her village — changed when she joined Convoy of Hope's Agriculture program.

The cyclical nature of crops like millet, corn, and wheat created a lot of downtime for the farmers in the village.

"This made us feel like we weren't being productive — like we weren't doing anything of importance," Dhan said. "We also didn't earn very much to save, if anything. This caused us to perpetually live in poverty. There was also a lot more tension in the village ... more fights."

In the program, Dhan learned how to grow different crops year-round using high tunnels, which protect plants and allow them to thrive even in difficult weather conditions — and she now has nine on her own farm! She grows a variety of crops, but tomatoes are her favorite.

"It is a joy to see the tomatoes as they grow and know how much income they can bring," Dhan said.

Now, Dhan is looking to the future. She plans to shift her focus to crops that require less labor but produce higher yields, such as oranges, lemons, and avocados. These are long-term investments that take time to mature, but with her training, Dhan is confident that these crops will provide greater financial security for her and her family.

"I'm thankful to Convoy for what they've done!"

Dhan said.

## SHARE YOUR STORY

No matter what you do for a living, you can transform lives.

Share the good work you and Convoy of Hope are doing to help people all over the world.



Proudly wear your sticker on the day you have chosen to work for the hungry. The sticker will create opportunities for meaningful conversations with people you see throughout the day.

Be sure to tag Convoy of Hope on your social media platforms!

@convoyofhope











## ONE DAY IS SIMPLE



Calculate how much you make each workday, and set that amount as your *One Day* giving goal.

Then give your gift. It's that easy!

One Day is about equal sacrifice, not equal giving.

What does that mean? No matter what you make, you play a significant role in transforming people's lives.

Give via mail: P.O. Box 1125 Springfield, MO 65801

Give online: convoyofhope.org/oneday



Convoy of Hope was founded in 1994 by the Donaldson family. Their inspiration for starting the organization can be traced back to the many people who helped their family after their father, Harold, was killed by a drunk driver in 1969.

Today, more than 280 million people have been served throughout the world by Convoy of Hope. We are proud that we work through businesses, government agencies, churches, and other nonprofits to provide help and hope to those who are impoverished, hungry, and hurting.







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