Recommended Aid Organizations

Aid to the Church in Need is an international papal foundation that provides pastoral and humanitarian assistance to the persecuted Church around the world. For 70 years, our donors have reached out to the suffering, the distressed and the poorest of the poor in more than 145 countries. Our objectives are: to support and promote the Church, especially in countries where Christians are suffering persecution or discrimination; and to further the other charitable work of the Church by providing practical assistance and pastoral care for persons in need, especially those who are living in, or are refugees from, such countries. Each year, we fulfill more than 5,000 projects through our spiritual and material aid programs. Our shared goal: To help strengthen the Church and keep the Faith alive. Website: www.churchinneed.org/ Tel: (800) 628-6333 www.churchinneed.org/pray_for_persecuted_christians/



Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) has been a lifeline throughout the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India and Eastern Europe for more than 90 years. Founded by Pope Pius XI in 1926, CNEWA works for, through and with the Catholic Eastern churches. In the Middle East, our activities are diverse, from helping to form priests to serve the people of God in Egypt to providing irrigation to farmers in southern Lebanon — from providing the best in neonatal care in Jordan to supporting sisters in Iraq — from providing emergency relief to Syrian refugees to counseling for war-scarred children in Gaza. CNEWA connects you to your brothers and sisters in need. Together, we build up the Church, affirm human dignity, alleviate poverty, encourage dialogue and inspire hope.

Website: <u>www.cnewa.org</u>

Tel: (877) 284-3807

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is the official overseas relief and development agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. CRS helps people in great need, including Christians and other minorities across the Middle East who are the target of persecution. We are on the frontlines in the "cradle of Christianity," supporting people and communities regardless of race, creed or nationality. Our deep partnership with the Catholic Church allows us to respond quickly and deliver lifesaving assistance with a commitment to full recovery. First established in 1943 to support refugees fleeing war-torn Europe, our mission is rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ. We provide lifesaving emergency relief in times of crisis, as well as address chronic poverty and injustice through innovative, sustainable development programs. Through our dedication to operational and programmatic excellence, we work to deliver maximum impact and full accountability to our supporters and the people we serve.

Website: <u>www.crs.org</u>

Tel: (877) 435-7277

Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic fraternal organization, whose first principle is charity. That principle continues to guide the Knights' projects in communities throughout the United States and around the world. The Knights first began assisting Christian refugees in the Middle East in the 1920s in the aftermath of World War I. More recently, in the aftermath of ISIS' recent genocide, the Knights of Columbus committed more than \$15 million to supporting Christians and other religious minorities primarily in Iraq and Syria. Because the Christian refugees in the region have often been overlooked by American government and UN aid programs, the Knights have focused on providing these neglected communities – and the others they care for – with funds for medical care, food, clothing, housing and general relief. In addition, the Knights also led advocacy and awareness campaigns in support of the genocide designations by both houses of Congress and by the Secretary of State. Website: www.ChristiansAtRisk.org Tel: (800) 694-5713