Faith, hope and love abide
1 Corinthians 13

MDS ANNUAL REPORT 2020
During a year like no other, Mennonite Disaster Service is able to look back with humble gratitude for the volunteers, donors and partners whose faith and love helped so many people find their way back to hope.

More than 6,000 volunteers from across the United States and Canada put their compassion into action by cleaning up after disasters, building bridges, and repairing and rebuilding homes.

From the creative work of local MDS units that positively impacted so many communities, to the steadfast leadership of the MDS board that kept MDS true to its mission, the results have defied the odds during a year of unprecedented challenges.

As Ned Sparks, from Willow, Alaska, said to volunteers who built his new home: "What you’ve done is tremendous beyond belief."

MDS volunteers helped restore people’s belief that there is hope for the future. And this work managed to take place despite the grave challenges posed by the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The many numbers in this Annual Report—especially the 48,480 volunteer days served—are impressive, but even more gratifying is that these figures reflect the abiding love of our entire MDS family. That’s the greatest gift of all.

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Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.
1 Corinthians 13:7
6,048 volunteers from across Canada and the U.S. gave their time, skills and compassion to build 79 new homes, complete 280 repairs, finish 91 cleanups, and build 3 new bridges for households who experienced a disaster. This volunteer labor is a value of $10.4 million USD/ $13.6 million CDN.


* Based on a volunteer rate of $27.20 USD/hour — www.independentsector.org

PANDEMIC-RELATED PROJECTS

- Volunteers in Lancaster, PA, Harrisonburg, VA, Berlin, OH, and other locations made more than 260,000 masks.
- Kansas volunteers helped Hesston College and Tabor College make changes to their facilities in order to safely accommodate students.
- The Spirit of MDS Fund distributed $48,000 to 46 congregations in Canada who responded to needs in their communities.
- MDS joined with Mennonite Central Committee and Everence to create a COVID-19 Congregational Relief Fund, which provided grants to 174 congregations to support their needs as a result of COVID-19.
# 2019-2020 Financial Activity

**Fiscal year 2018-2019 runs Dec 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019**

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## Board of Directors

- Ross Miller (Board Chair)
- Judy Lopez (Vice Chair)
- Harold Friesen (Secretary)
- Frank Hoover (Treasurer)
- Ronn Frantz
- Nick Hamm
- Vic Janzen
- Glen Kaufman
- Denis Keating
- Catrina Miller
- Roger Sharp
- Wayne and Carole Stucky
- Phil Troyer

## Board of Delegates

- Robert Brenneman
- Murray Bunnett
- Esther Buck
- Becca Cordes
- Gerald Dyck
- Mannie Flaud
- Wilmer Hoover
- Wayne Schrock
- Ivan Shirk
- Mark Shibukawa
- Jane Slabaugh
- Jerry Wyse
- Paul Yoder
- Wayne Yoder

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## MDS and COVID-19

Despite the challenges presented by the pandemic, MDS volunteers continued to find innovative ways to bring hope to their communities.

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## 2019-2020 Financial Activity

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### Expenditures

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## 2019-2020 Canada Expenditures

### Program and Supporting Activities (CAD dollars)

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<td>$110,592</td>
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<td>Project: Setup and Occupancy</td>
<td>$184,116</td>
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## 2019-2020 U.S. Expenditures

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