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Rohingya Education Project Proposal

RCA Global Mission, in partnership with Partners Relief & Development, invites you to help provide quality education and related support services for Rohingya refugees through supporting eight schools in Myanmar and Bangladesh.

The Rohingya are an ethnic minority group who have experienced persecution, discrimination, statelessness, violence, and forced displacement in Myanmar (formerly known as Burma) for decades. In August 2017 an unprecedented wave of violence broke out in Myanmar's Rakhine State that resulted in entire villages being burned to the ground, thousands of Rohingya killed and separated from their families, and a myriad of human rights abuses reported. More than one million Rohingya have been displaced since August 2017, with over 880,000 Rohingya living in Cox's Bazar refugee camp in Bangladesh, and approximately 142,000 who are internally displaced in Myanmar. They are forced to live in internally displaced (IDP) camps by local authorities.¹

For the Rohingya, who have been stripped of citizenship, suffered persecution and violence, and experienced numerous waves of displacement, access to education remains one of the major concerns for their future and livelihood. Parents are concerned that the longer their children are deprived of education, the greater the risk that they will be exposed to exploitation, abuse, and poverty.

In partnership with Partners Relief & Development, RCA Global Mission is committed to providing education to Rohingya refugees by covering the costs of operating eight schools (six for children who live in Cox's Bazar refugee camp in Bangladesh, and two for children who live in internal displacement camps in Sittwe, Myanmar), but we need your help to make it possible. Your faithful contribution will help cover the costs of running the Rohingya Education Project for 2021. RCA Global Mission has worked with Partners Relief & Development previously to rebuild a school for Yazidi children in Iraqi Kurdistan; this project was such a success that we are honored to work with Partners yet again to provide care for refugees and displaced people.²

The \$60,000 (USD) is needed to cover the following costs for the services provided by the Rohingya Education Project in both Bangladesh and Myanmar (eight schools):

- **Training, support, stipends, teaching materials, and evaluation for teachers**
- **Equipment and supplies for the schools**
- **Uniforms, shoes, bags, school supplies, exam fees, and daily lunch for students**
- **Transportation**

Will you provide care for what the United Nations has called, "the most persecuted minority in the world?"³

¹ <https://www.unrefugees.org/news/rohingya-refugee-crisis-explained/>

² <https://vimeo.com/547494673/c582b93fe9>

³ <https://www.ohchr.org/en/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=22491&LangID=E>

If you would like to provide education for Rohingya refugees by credit card, please visit:
www.rca.org/give/partners-relief-and-development.

If you would like to make a financial contribution by check, please pay to the order of “Reformed Church in America”, with “**Partners Relief & Development**” written on the memo line:

Reformed Church in America
Attn: Finance Dept.
4500 60th Street SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49512

Or, if in Canada, to:
PO Box
5070 STN LCD 1
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