

Great River Region Disciples Women Service Projects 2018

Global Project: Anti-Human Trafficking Program of the Diocese of Durgapur		Regional Project: Feeding America
Arkansas:	Mississippi:	Louisiana:
Emergency Duffle Bags for Foster Kids	Southern Christian Services for Children & Youth	Room in the Inn, Lake Charles

GRR DW Global Service Project – Woman to Woman Worldwide 2017: Anti-Human Trafficking Program of the Diocese of Durgapur (Church of North India)

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The Church of North India (CNI) was formed by the union of six Protestant denominations committed to actions of restoring the integrity of God's creation through breaking down barriers of caste, class, gender, economic inequality, and the exploitation of nature. The Diocese of Durgapur, a district of the Church of North India, began their Anti-Human Trafficking (AHT) ministries in 2006 with the creation of a program for vulnerable children.

Women from the Diocese were compelled to open a program to offer a safe space and new opportunities for self-expression to children who are at-risk of being trafficked. Today, this program continues to grow and the Diocese runs **six child development centers** and **four residential homes**. *Each center provides an impressive range of opportunities including formal education, kitchen gardening, string instrument lessons, nutritional meals, medical check-ups, sports, sewing lessons, and more.*

More than 350 children attend programs at one of the children centers of the Anti-Human Trafficking Program with many others awaiting admission into one of their residential homes. The Diocese of Durgapur raises funds for these programs through local and international relationships. Additionally, the Diocese sells handicrafts such as handmade cards, to raise funds for school fees, school uniforms, books, and meals. To learn more about the work of the CNI's Diocese of Durgapur, go to: https://www.globalministries.org/diocese_of_durgapur

GRR DW Regional Service Project – Feeding America

**In 2017, Disciples Women in the Great River Region raised \$780 for Feeding America – for every \$1 donated, 11 meals are created –
Disciples Women – you served 8,580 meals last year!!**



Our mission is to feed America's hungry through a nationwide network of member food banks and engage our country in the fight to end hunger.

Make an impact today

When you give to Feeding America, you are joining us in the fight against hunger. For every \$1 donated, the Feeding America network of food banks secures and distributes 10 meals to people facing hunger.



Advocate to end hunger

Together, we can end hunger, but it's going to require an active partnership between individuals like you, charity, the private sector and the government. That's why Feeding America advocates for policies that will ensure aid to hungry families.



Volunteer your time and talents

It doesn't take a big commitment to make a big impact. Together, with millions of other food bank volunteers, your time makes a difference in the lives of your neighbors struggling with hunger. Help the Feeding America nationwide network get food in the hands of those who need it most.

Learn more at <http://www.feedingamerica.org/take-action/>

GREAT RIVER REGION HUNGER STATISTICS*:

In Arkansas, 549,000 people
(18.4% of the population)
struggle with food insecurity

In Louisiana, 789,000 people
(18.9% of the population)
struggle with food insecurity

In Mississippi, 643,000 people
(21.5% of the population)
struggle with food insecurity

Avg meal cost \$2.72

Avg meal cost \$2.81

Avg meal cost \$2.88

*2015 data