

Humanitarian Aid Photo Captions

The photo captions below provide background information on all of the photographs used within the humanitarian aid resources.

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Photo 1

©Maciej Moskwa/TESTIGO Documentary/Idlib province, Syria, 2013

The armed conflict has been going on in Syria since 2011. As a result of military action, many people have had to leave their homes, often without basic necessities. The photo shows a family who, because they couldn't find any other suitable shelter, took refuge in a cave.



Photo 2

©Maciej Moskwa/TESTIGO Documentary/Kafranbel, Idlib province, Syria, January 2013

One of the main streets in the town of Kafranbel. In August 2012 fierce fighting took place between government forces and rebels. After the Free Syrian Army (the rebels) had taken control of the town, Kafranbel was regularly targeted by air and artillery attacks carried out by the army loyal to Bashar al-Assad's government. Although the town tried to function normally, even with a working bazaar, there was always the threat of another attack. The basements of the local hospital were filling up with injured people, and appeals for blood were made from a nearby minaret. The war in Syria, which started in 2011 following an anti-government uprising, turned into a brutal conflict that, by 2015, had killed over 220,000 people, creating 4.1 million refugees in the neighbouring countries of Turkey, Jordan, Lebanon, and leaving 7 million people internally displaced (source: UN OCHA, 2015).



Photo 3

©PAH/Syria/Hama and Idlib province, Syria, 2013

Baking bread in northwest Syria. During humanitarian emergencies, the land cultivated by local farmers is often devastated, with harsh consequences for food factories and small companies producing food. This photograph shows a young girl holding bread that was baked in renovated Syrian bakeries and purchased by organisations providing humanitarian assistance in the area. This bread is not only food for those in need; it also provides employment for local people, helping to support the local community.



Photo 4

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This photograph shows people receiving humanitarian assistance in the form of basic supplies such as blankets and clothes. This assistance was provided by Polish Humanitarian Action (PAH).



Photo 5

©Natalia Miedziak, Poland, August 2015

On 19th August 2015 Polish Humanitarian Action (PAH) organized an event to celebrate World Humanitarian Day. For a one day PAH set four huge collages out on the old town city in Poland which showed people affected by armed conflicts across the world. PAH Volunteers participated in all-day event, invited bystanders to colour in an images to represent the reality of people affected by humanitarian disasters which were then added to the collage. This became a symbol of the millions people lives in war territories. Volunteers spoke with people and explained the purpose of their action.



Photo 6

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Example of educational materials used during a workshop in a school. The photo shows two maps which were put one on top of the other and represented as scrambled puzzles which young people had to manipulate and rearrange to learn more about the disasters affecting people in Africa.



Photo 7

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Fundraising event at a university in Poland to help raise funds to deliver humanitarian support to South Sudan.

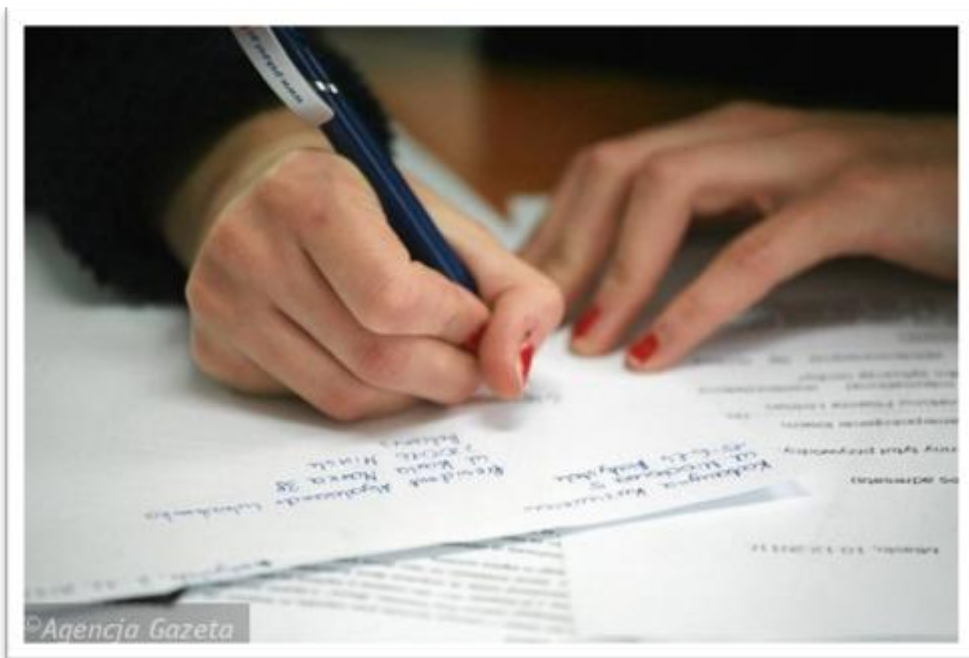


Photo 8

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Letter-writing marathon organised by Amnesty International.



Photo 9

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Polish Humanitarian Action (PAH) currently provides humanitarian support focused on clean water and sanitation. PAH supplies water, which includes rebuilding water pumps and waterworks; and food, which includes providing flour and food baskets, in cooperation with local bakeries; PAH also offer health care through mobile hospitals, and distribute basic items such as blankets, bowls and clothes. They have recently worked in northern Syria, (where this photo was taken), where they provided support to local communities and internally displaced people.