



...wherever there is an emergency, there is...

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Foreword

CERI is proud to carry on the Reeder families' legacy through The Don & Birdie Reeder Global Emergency Relief Fund. Your gift to CERI has touched thousands of lives, healed thousands of wounds and brought comfort to thousands who were lost and – and continues to do so today!

With the Reeder Emergency Relief Fund, CERI works to alleviate the urgent needs of individuals around the globe by responding to emergencies in an immediate, compassionate and godly manner. Over the last eight years, CERI's mission has been furthered through the generosity of donors and friends who have given to the Reeder Emergency Relief Fund.

Executive Summary

The Reeder Emergency Relief Fund is used to provide assistance to those in need in developing nations. Between 2008 and 2016, CERI received \$184,907.96 in contributions toward the Reeder Emergency Relief Fund, benefitting 4,393 individuals. The children and families served through the fund live in Sri Lanka, Moldova, Georgia, Central African Republic, South Africa, Mexico, Paraguay, and Romania.

2008 – 2015 Revenue and Balance

Total revenue received through December 31, 2015:	\$184,907.96
- Reeder Family Donations:	\$127,050.00
- Other Donors Contributions:	\$57,857.96
- Interest Income Earned:	\$467.00
Total expenses by December 31, 2015:	\$160,304.88
Balance on January 31, 2015:	\$24,603.08

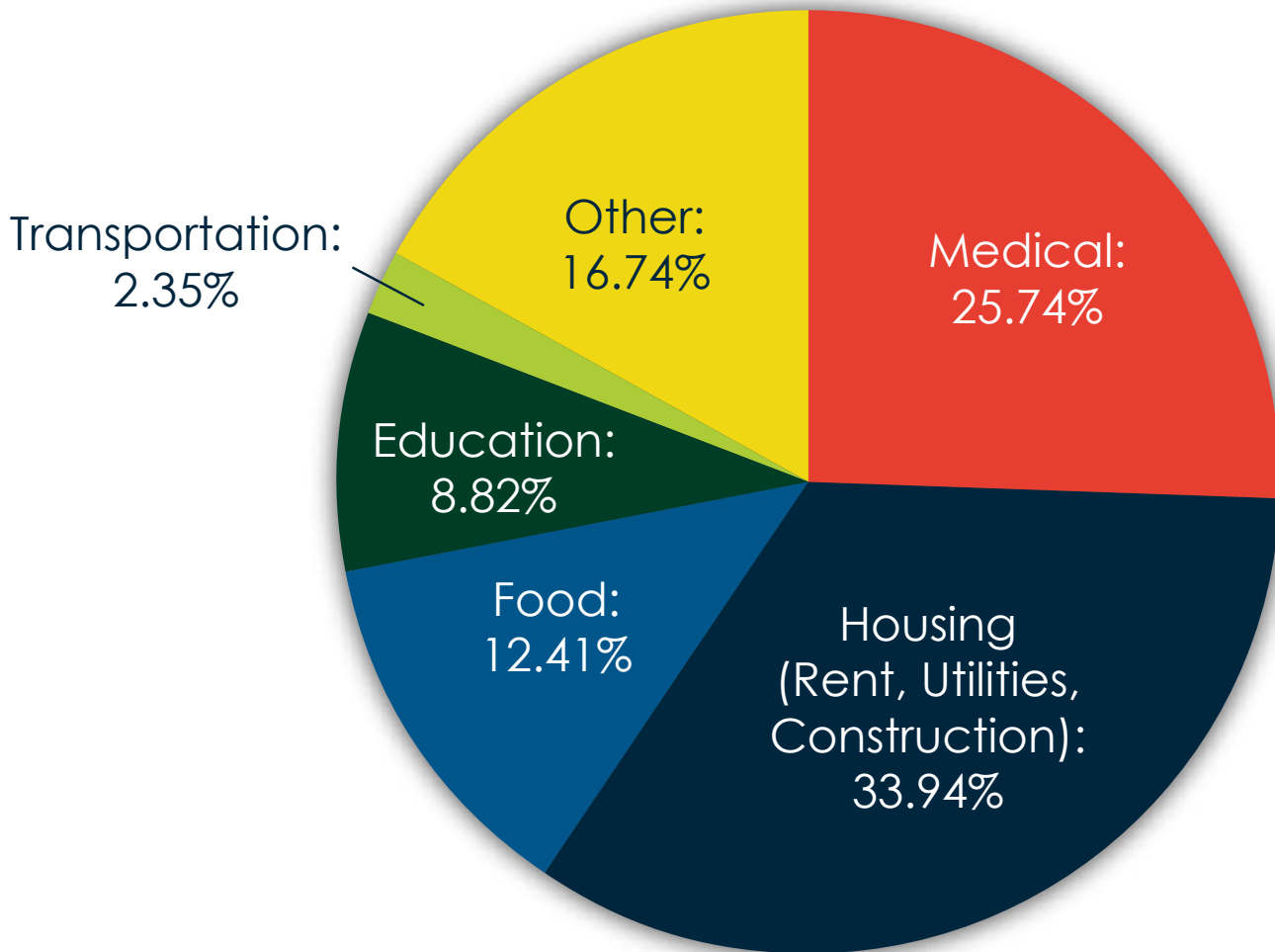
2008 – 2015 International Presence and Impact

The Reeder Emergency Relief Fund benefitted individuals on four continents around the globe. Through the fund, CERI brought relief to the countries of: Sri Lanka, Moldova, Georgia, Central African Republic, South Africa, Mexico, Paraguay, and Romania. Below is a breakdown of the individuals served in each country:

Sri Lanka	1,765 individuals
Moldova	783 individuals
Georgia	97 individuals
Central African Republic	1,283 individuals
South Africa	125 individuals
Mexico	365 individuals
Paraguay	340 individuals
Romania	25 individuals

Total Individuals Served:	4,783
Total Funds Used:	\$160,304.88
Average Amount Used per Individual:	\$33.51

2008 – 2015 Expenses per Category



Housing Emergency Snapshots

In Moldova, in March 2010, a foster family's home caught fire. Nearly everything they owned was burned or damaged. The foster family and their two daughters lived with relatives and friends for several weeks before a CERI team came to help renovate their home. The Reeder Emergency Relief Fund helped purchase construction materials and household items and numerous volunteers and community members came together to assist with construction labor. Two months later, the family was able to move back into their home.



Housing Emergency Snapshots

Since 2009, dozens of boys and girls who graduated from Moldova's state-run orphanages benefitted from CERI's Emergency Shelters, funded through the Reeder Emergency Relief Fund. At age 16, youth living in Moldova orphanages exit the state's orphan care system and find themselves homeless. Most of them do not qualify for a job and unfortunately are unable to secure enough income for rent. CERI offers emergency housing to youth who have no school dorm, nor family or friends where they can stay while they attend school and gain the education they need to prepare to transition into a successful independent adulthood.



Medical Emergency Snapshots

CERI medical mission trips have provided medical care to thousands of children and families living in extreme poverty in the Central African Republic, Uganda, Mexico, Moldova and Paraguay. Through the Reeder Emergency Relief Fund individuals received critical care, important medicine, medical tests, surgeries, and medical and dental treatments that would have otherwise been unavailable.



Food Emergency Snapshots

Since 2009, mission teams travel to South Africa once a year to plant sustainable gardens for several communities near Ladysmith. Each year, five families (an average of 25 people) living in extreme poverty participate. Most of these families are led by women who struggle daily to find food. Other members of the community also learn how to plant a garden by observing the CERI teams in action. This initiative helps alleviate a tremendous burden while teaching the value of growing a sustainable food source.



Food Emergency Snapshots

When natural disasters strike, the availability of food and clean water is a life-and-death matter. In 2014, floods affected much of Sri Lanka, leaving many children and families on the streets – with no shelter and no food. Damaged infrastructure and high water prevented authorities and external aid agencies from responding. Through the Reeder Emergency Relief Fund, CERI was able to provide emergency housing and food to all the foster families and children in our care in the region.



Education Emergency Snapshots

For many children in developing nations, attending school is not expected. In fact, to attend school is considered a luxury. The cost of textbooks, school fees, clothes, school supplies and tuition are too big of a burden for most families with children, and even more so for orphans. Through the Reeder Emergency Relief Fund, CERI has changed this bleak scenario. Children in our care are provided tuition assistance to ensure they receive an education, while learning that an education means social upward mobility, personal development and self-discovery.



Transportation Emergency Snapshots

In developing countries, poverty not only means lack of food, healthcare and education, it also unfortunately includes a lack of access to those basic necessities. It means lack of transportation which creates an access barrier that includes nonexistent infrastructures and weak emergency response systems. It means when it rains, children cannot go to school; women cannot go to the doctor; men cannot provide for their families.



War-torn Eastern Europe Presents New Opportunities for Relief

In 2016, there remains a tremendous need for emergency relief to meet the basic necessities of thousands of historically underserved communities around the world. Children, youth and families around the globe count on CERI support when the systems around them fail or, in many cases are non-existent.

The civil war in Eastern Ukraine has left thousands of people homeless and hundreds of children without rudimentary care. Thanks to partners like The Don & Birdie Reeder Global Emergency Relief Fund, CERI is strategically poised to serve the war-affected people in Ukraine, the neighboring country to Moldova.



CERI - The Helping Hand of God

CERI staff and volunteers, work with a firm commitment to serve God, and offer a spiritual lifting experience for those affected by disaster, poverty, war and famine. CERI continues to organize mission trips to areas in the world most in need of being exposed to the Gospel. Funding helps cover travel cost for some team members and helps purchase Bibles for individuals who would like to have the Word of God in their hands.



Thank You

At CERI, we believe the best way of saying thank you to those who have joined our cause is by demonstrating good stewardship and accountability for the resources that have been entrusted to us. This report is our way of saying thank you to all the individuals who were compelled to give to the Don & Birdie Reeder Global Emergency Relief Fund.

