Hi Lindsay,

Thanks for your response – very much appreciated. Our fundraising campaign was positioned as an opportunity to provide medical equipment (and possibly PPE) to the Palestinians. Some folks on our team have also been in touch the PA’s MoH, so the team would probably be comfortable favouring the needs of the MoH, as WVC is already doing on the ground, it seems. So this sounds like it might be a good fit. I don’t want to put you guys to a lot of work, but I would say that what you’ve described seems to be pretty well aligned with what our team/donors had in mind. So if you’re able to provide more details, this would be great.

Of course, if the response plan comes in, and if there’s a decent fit with things in that, we could look at that too.

Thanks again. Have a good weekend. Best,

Tom

Hi Thomas,

I’m very sorry!

While the response plan is not ready yet, we were able to get some information on a call directly with our Operations Manager. He confirms that there is scope for more assistance in the health sector through provision of health equipment. They are currently partnering with the MoH and distributing PPE and other materials so if additional resources are available they could go towards this. He was not so much in favor of medicine purchases and distributions but any other materials would be useful.

I’m happy to continue to pursue more specific details if you think that would be helpful for your purposes as well.

Sincerely, Lindsay
Hi Lindsay. Hope you are well. It’s been almost three weeks since we had our brief chat. Have you heard back from the field, as you were expecting? An update or touch-base would be appreciated? Thanks so much. - Tom

Hi Lindsay. I was wondering if you heard back from the folks on the ground in the West Bank concerning the COVID-19 needs. Donating our money to World Vision to meet the needs on the ground is still an option we are considering. To date, we have raised $120,000. Thanks. - Tom

Hi – 10am on Monday works well. I will share a calendar invite.

Sincerely, Lindsay

Hi Lindsay,

Thanks for responding. Monday is fine. How about 10:00 a.m.? If that’s not good, please suggest an alternate time. My Monday is quite open at this point.

Best regards,
From: Lindsay Gladding <Lindsay_Gladding@worldvision.ca>
Sent: April 29, 2020 11:43 AM
To: thomas.woodley@cjpme.org
Cc: Christopher Derksen Hiebert <chris_derksen-hiebert@worldvision.ca>
Subject: RE: Friendly reminder: Question for you - funds for Palestine

Dear Thomas,

Thanks so much for reaching out and thinking of World Vision. I’m definitely open to having a follow up meeting to discuss the possibility of a partnership. These days are definitely quite full – would it be possible to schedule something for Monday?

Sincerely, Lindsay

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Sent: Monday, April 27, 2020 5:37 PM
To: Lindsay Gladding <Lindsay_Gladding@worldvision.ca>
Cc: Christopher Derksen Hiebert <chris_derksen-hiebert@worldvision.ca>
Subject: RE: Friendly reminder: Question for you - funds for Palestine

Hi Lindsay,

18 years ago, Chris Derksen-Hiebert and I were involved in a humanitarian project to raise $100,000 for World Vision’s work in the West Bank. I was fortunate enough to find a WVC press release about the project a few moments ago: https://reliefweb.int/report/israel/opt-hebron-checkpoints-and-healthcare-world-vision-intervenes  My team and I are the people referred to in the article as “Sowers of Hope, a Montreal-based grassroots organisation.” We were fortunately enough to be able to raise $100,000 back then to help equip a surgical clinic near Hebron.

My current organization, the CJPME Foundation (registered as a charity with the CRA since 2013) has been part of an effort to raise money to help Palestinians during the Coronavirus crisis. We have raised $50,000 in less than two weeks (see http://PMRelief.ca) and will almost certainly reach or exceed $100,000 by the end of May.
I was wondering if I could have a phone conversation with you to see if there would be a way to donate the collected money to World Vision, such that World Vision could deliver the funds to Palestinians for medical relief in some fashion.

Would you have time for a call in the next day or two to discuss?

Thanks so much,

Tom

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Cc: Lindsay Gladding <Lindsay_Gladding@worldvision.ca>
Subject: Re: Friendly reminder: Question for you - funds for Palestine

Hi Tom. Nice to hear from you after so many years. Amazing that our joint project was 18 years ago! I hope you and your family are well in the midst of the pandemic. My family are all doing fine.

I have been working for World Vision International for a number of years, so I’ll need to direct you to Lindsay Gladding, copied here, who leads WV Canada’s programmatic work in fragile and humanitarian contexts.

All the best.

Chris

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Subject: Friendly reminder: Question for you - funds for Palestine

Hi Chris. Just wanted to follow up on my email from last Thursday. I really just want to see if you can connect me with someone at WV who could work with us to see if there’s a way we could funnel this money to the Palestinians through WV. Is there someone you can recommend – with their contact info? Thanks. - Tom

From: Thomas Woodley <thomas.woodley@cjpme.org>
Sent: April 23, 2020 11:46 AM
To: 'chris_derksen-hiebert@worldvision.ca' <chris_derksen-hiebert@worldvision.ca>
Subject: Question for you - funds for Palestine

Hi Chris,

Hope you are well. It’s been a long time since we did the Bani Naim project in 2002 – I hope you and your family are safe and well with the Coronavirus crisis. From what I can tell, it seems like you’re still at World Vision, so I thought I’d get in touch.

For the first time since 2004, we’re doing some humanitarian fundraising for Palestine – we’re already at $50,000 and will probably reach $100,000 by the end of Ramadan. I was wondering if we could have a quick chat to discuss whether there’d be a way to channel these funds to medical relief work in Palestine through World Vision.

Would you have time for a chat in the next few days? Thanks,

Tom

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