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Gaza Needs Food!!

[Mennonite Palestine Israel Network](#) (MennoPIN), entreats you to pray for and share resources with people deeply in need in Gaza.

We recognize COVID-19 pandemic threatens many people around the world. Even so, the urgency of the humanitarian suffering and potential threat of COVID-19 to the people of Gaza calls to our hearts to request your assistance.

To date the Gaza Ministry of Health in Gaza has documented 15 Coronavirus infections causing the quarantine of 1000 people. The Gaza Strip is one of the most densely populated polity's in the world, with more than two million people. Suffering from a 13-year air, land, and sea blockade and three devastating wars, Gaza faces economic collapse. The poor earn their living on a daily basis and yet need to stay home because of the pandemic.

MennoPIN requests your help to share funds with [Youth Vision Society](#) specifically for their Hand-to-Hand project. The Youth Vision Society is a civil non-profit association, established in 2009. It works in the field of capacity building, culture, arts, human rights, social improvement and civic participation. Hand-to-Hand plans to distribute as soon as possible:

- 300 food baskets vulnerable families. A \$75 gift will feed a family for 2 weeks.
- 300 hygiene kits with cleaning supplies to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Donations to the Youth Vision Society (YVS) can be made on-line through the Middle Eastern Children's Alliance (MECA) at

<https://secure.everyaction.com/JkiApGXBskq8WNeolrDQ7w2>



MECA is a tested, secure donation site.

The spread of the Coronavirus can help us discover how much we are united with our neighbors around the globe in spite of our differences. Living from hand-to-mouth, the poor become especially vulnerable during this pandemic and the stay at home quarantine has created a dire situation. Providing a two-week supply of food and hygiene supplies will sustain the lives of Gaza's children and their families.

If you have questions, please contact MennoPIN at 785-539-5352 or atchison@ksu.edu.

Sincerely,

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