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As the COVID-19 Epidemic Worsens, MAP International is Responding to Urgent Requests for Medicines and Health Supplies

Brunswick, GA March 31, 2020 – As the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic continues in more than 175 countries, MAP International, a Georgia-based global health organization, is responding to their partners’ urgent requests in the United States and abroad for fever reducers, cough suppressants and personal protective equipment such as gloves.

“It is so important for healthcare workers on the frontlines to have personal protective equipment,” says Steve Stirling, President and CEO of MAP International.

Stirling also notes that since the very early days of the pandemic, when the outbreak originally began in Wuhan, China, MAP recognized the need for support and acted quickly. MAP’s initial response included airlifting 3,000,000 masks, 300,000 pairs of nitrile gloves and more than 10,000 protective suits to relief partners in China and several other countries to try and stop the spread of the virus shortly after it surfaced.

“We have been depleted of materials,” says Stirling. “Now it is important for us raise money so we can continue to distribute critical supplies to our partners in the United States and abroad.”

“Depending on our partners’ requests, MAP is providing personal protective equipment such as protective gloves, coveralls, masks, hand soap, and personal care wipes,” says Stirling. “Additionally, we are supplying antibiotics, cough and cold medicines and fever reducers as needed.”

“Two billion people in some of the world’s poorest countries lack access to even the most basic medicines, as well as personal hygiene products such as soap that can help slow the spread of the virus,” he continues. “In places where healthcare is already non-existent, not having access things like soap is not only devastating, but it can be deadly in a pandemic.”

Rated as one of the top charities in America by *Forbes* magazine, the organization distributed the equivalent of 44 million medical treatments to 13.3 million people in 98 countries in 2019 alone.

You can help us provide medicines and health supplies to families in need.

- A gift of less than \$10 provides a 1000 tablet bottle of fever reducing medication to serve many.
- A gift of less than \$30 provides 300 pairs of gloves for health professionals who are responding to this global health crisis.
- A gift of \$50 provides clean water for a family for years.
- A gift of \$100 provides 10 Disaster Health Kits, which includes soap and basic hygiene products to prevent the spread of disease.

To donate, please visit map.org/disasters.

About MAP International

MAP International is a Georgia-based global health organization providing hope to millions of people around the world for over 65 years. They bring medicines and health supplies to those in need so people might experience life to the fullest. Please visit www.map.org to learn more.