

# Humanitarian Organizations

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The United Nations, the world's largest and most powerful international organization, has attained a monetary windfall of \$100 million. Feeling that this monetary support is best used elsewhere, member states have unanimously decided to invest this money into the support of one other humanitarian organization. There is no shortage of important humanitarian organizations; the problem for the United Nations is where to invest this money? As expected, many organizations have stepped forward to bid. What to do?

Working in groups of four, select a humanitarian organization to research and examine. Once chosen, your task is to prepare a 4 to 5 minute presentation to the United Nations General Assembly that will attempt to do the following:

- a) explain what your organization is - structure, organization, etc.,
- b) describe the international role that your organization plays,
- c) explain the importance and relevance of your organization, and
- d) create an effective and persuasive appeal for the \$100 million.

Your presentation must include a PowerPoint presentation OR a poster with large font, point form information and graphics. Other forms of media such as short video in a television ad format with an emotional appeal are optional.

Possible organizations to research include:

- Amnesty International - [amnesty.org](http://amnesty.org)
- Greenpeace - [greenpeace.ca](http://greenpeace.ca)
- Habitat for Humanity - [habitat.org](http://habitat.org)
- International Committee of the Red Cross - [redcross.ca](http://redcross.ca)
- *Médecins Sans Frontières* (Doctors Without Borders) - [msf.ca](http://msf.ca)
- World Wildlife Fund - [panda.org](http://panda.org)
- Care - [care.ca](http://care.ca)
- Save the Children - [savethechildren.ca](http://savethechildren.ca)
- World Vision - [worldvision.ca](http://worldvision.ca)
- World Relief - [worldreliefcanada.org](http://worldreliefcanada.org)
- World Partnership Walk - [partnershipwalk.com](http://partnershipwalk.com)
- Shelter for Life International - [shelter.org](http://shelter.org)
- Aga Khan Development Network - [akdn.org](http://akdn.org)
- Plan International - [plan-international.org](http://plan-international.org)
- Centre for Victims of Torture - [cvt.org](http://cvt.org)
- International Rescue Committee - [intrescom.org](http://intrescom.org)
- National Peace Foundation - [nationalpeace.org](http://nationalpeace.org)
- War Child Canada - [warchild.ca](http://warchild.ca)
- *others are possible - verify your selection with the instructor (must be international, can not be an alliance or any part of the United Nations itself)*