

Ban U.S. Cluster Bombs

Raise funds to help clean up our mess in Laos

The following organizations are working on demining or development in Laos or on advocating against further use of cluster bombs. If so moved, your event could raise funds to support the work of one or more of these organizations.

Catholic Relief Services serves the poor in more than 100 countries overseas through programs in emergency relief, HIV and AIDS, health, agriculture, education, microfinance, and peacebuilding. Catholic Relief Services' work in Laos focuses mainly on projects to train teachers and promote basic education for minority populations. For more info, crs.org/Laos. To donate, crs.org/donate.

Church World Service has been working with the people of Laos for more than 20 years. The primary focus is education, but CWS also provides emergency relief assistance and assists with initiatives in other sectors. To find out more, go to www.cwslaos.org. CWS has also been active in Southern Lebanon, helping families recover land and lives after cluster bomb strikes in 2006. To donate, go to www.churchworldservice.org and click on "Donate".

Mennonite Central Committee went to Laos in the early 1980s to help rebuild war devastated communities. There was no international focus on demining the country, and so MCC implemented several low-tech measures (such as the provision of shovels for farming, rather than hoes) to diminish accidents from cluster submunitions. In 1994 the MCC, the Mines Advisory Group (MAG) and the Lao government initiated the first cluster bombs clearance project. MCC continues educational and advocacy work aimed at ending the use of cluster munitions. For more info, mcc.org/clusterbombs. To donate, mcc.org/donate.

Mines Advisory Group has worked in Laos since 1994 clearing cluster bombs and other unexploded ordnance from the Vietnam War and Laos' civil war. It was the first clearance agency to work in Laos and continues to be the largest international technical partner to UXO Lao, the national mine and unexploded ordnance clearance agency. To find out more about MAG's work in Laos, go to www.mag.org.uk. To make a tax deductible donation to MAG America, www.magamerica.org, and click on "Donate". For a downloadable form for individual donors at your event, www.magamerica.org/silo/files/148.pdf.

US Campaign to Ban Landmines is working to ensure that the United States never again bombards any people with cluster weapons. The Friends Committee on National Legislation currently coordinates the USCBL. Donations to support this work can be made at www.uscbl.org.



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