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## ***Community & Humanitarian Assistance Program***

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### **COUNTERPART INTERNATIONAL'S COMMUNITY & HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ANSWERS SEVERAL HUMANITARIAN AID NEEDS IN THE REGION OF SAMEGRELO**

Tbilisi -- On April 18, 2002, Counterpart International's *Community & Humanitarian Assistance Program* (CHAP) will distribute humanitarian assistance donated by the US Government and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, valued at over \$200,000 to non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and medical facilities operating in Poti, Zugdidi and Senaki. The commodities donated by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints include practical clothing that meet the needs of over 1,200 socially vulnerable beneficiaries in Poti.

The US Government donated portion of the distribution consists of following medical commodities: gurneys, medical cabinets, medical desks, medical tables, folding beds, wrist splints, mattress pads, tray tables, therapy chairs, labor & delivery carts, medical office chairs, folding beds with mattresses, patient bibs, laboratory coats, sterile wrapping, infant scales, and a dental grinding & polishing machine.

The non-medical portion of the US Government donated commodities consists of two CASE-International tractors, office chairs, clothing hampers, office credenzas, literature stands, clothing, mixed eating utensils, mess kits, shelter half tents, kerosene lanterns, votive candles, and non-pneumatic tourniquets.

Since 1995, the region of Samegrelo has received close to \$15 million of US Government donated humanitarian aid and medical commodities through Counterpart International's *Community & Humanitarian Assistance Program*.

Since coming to Georgia 7-years ago, CHAP has imported over 570 forty-foot (FEU) containers of humanitarian assistance valued at over 300 Million GEL. With a distribution network of over 210 medical institutions, 227 non-governmental organizations (NGOs), 35 boarding homes and schools, CHAP has become a leader among US Government-funded humanitarian aid programs. For more information about Counterpart International's *Community & Humanitarian Assistance Program* please visit our web site at [www.counterpart.org](http://www.counterpart.org) or our office at 7 Vazha Pshavela Avenue, Suite 63, Tbilisi, Georgia.



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