



The [Muslims Against Hunger Project](#) (MAH), which has evolved into [FAITHS AGAINST HUNGER](#), is a North American network of volunteer communities that help the hungry and homeless in our backyard. The network’s underlying mission is to provide the means and the path to self-sufficiency, in order to “Break the Bonds of Poverty,” and to provide opportunities and support for volunteers to reduce hunger and poverty. We are creating communities around the world with active practitioners of the “UNITY of FAITHS through SERVICE.” We provide human services using volunteers across religious, political, and socioeconomic lines, and foster understanding and tolerance through selfless SERVICE.



MAH joined the Zero Hunger Challenge (ZHC), an initiative of Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon of the United Nations, in December 2013. We share the Secretary-General’s vision of a hunger-free world and look forward to contributing to the ZHC’s goals related to food access, sustainability, and reducing food waste. To this end, MAH will embark on an ambitious effort in 2014—a six-week North American Hunger Run Tour under its HUNGER VAN initiative. The goals of the tour are to engage volunteers and to educate faith communities and communities at large about the issues of hunger, homelessness, good nutrition, sustainable living, and responsible food consumption resulting in zero loss or waste of food.

The tour will begin in Maine in mid-August, travel to more than twenty states and a couple of Canadian provinces, and conclude in New York City at the end of September with a press conference in front of the UN building. We will work with local churches, synagogues, mosques, temples, and with other community volunteers to provide healthy meals to hungry and homeless people in cities and towns along our route. In addition to this direct-service work, the tour will hold educational events and press conferences to promote ZHC and encourage all partners of MAH’s Faiths Against Hunger project to establish their own mobile healthy meals projects to feed the hungry and homeless in their own backyards.

