

Potential impact of government cost cutting on LWR Quilts and Kits

Some have been asking if the Elon Musk cost cutting efforts might affect LWR quilt and kit (Q&K) distributions. The short answer is "no," at this time and hopefully in future. The Quilt & Kit program has always been self-funded - donations - and has not used governmental grants or subsidies. LWR's work also includes medical treatment and supplies, livelihoods, and emergency response. The situation is still evolving, and we're staying in close contact with LWR about the ongoing changes.

LWR has been around for 80 years; they now have several short, interesting videos and articles reminding us of how much LWR, through you and previous generations, have done since WWII. Click on [Going Farther, Staying Longer: Celebrating 80 Years of LWR](#). There are 20 seconds of our Fall 2022 Ingathering towards the end.

In addition, the following are three informative videos. The first one starts out talking about Ukraine but then goes to the Baltimore warehouse and shows the entire quilt packing process. I think all quilters would be interested. The warehouses squish 35 quilts to remove air and then bundle them in shrink wrap for shipping.

The title is: **“Have you ever seen 13,000 Quilts at once? My Visit to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse.”**

The link is:

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(Minutes 5-13 show the kit packing process if you want to skip through.)

The next two are shorter LWR videos. You can search Google/YouTube for Lutheran World Relief and find more. The LWR produced ones are usually less than 3 minutes.

[How do LWR Quilts & Kits get from the U.S. to the places they're needed?](#)

<https://photos.lwr.org/?r=43383&k=621af2c820>

It is a video on how LWR Quilts help young children grow in Tanzania!