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ALAN Announces 2023 Humanitarian Logistics Awards Winners

Lakeland, Fla. – The American Logistics Aid Network (ALAN) today announced the 2023 winners of its [Humanitarian Logistics Awards](#).

“Today we’re honored to recognize a few of the people and businesses that have been a beacon of hope during disasters like Hurricane Ian and the conflict in Ukraine, as well as those who work diligently to fight systemic disasters like food insecurity,” said ALAN Executive Director Kathy Fulton. “Their combined efforts have shown the power logistics has to make a difference in the lives of disaster survivors – and inspire us to grow this network of giving more and more each day.”

This year’s recipients include:

- United States Cold Storage, which received ALAN’s Outstanding Contribution To Disaster Relief Efforts Award
- Flexport.org, which received ALAN’s Outstanding Contribution To Disaster Relief Efforts Award
- ARPCO Transport Services, which received ALAN’s Outstanding Contribution To Disaster Relief Efforts Award
- Scotlynn, which received ALAN’s Employee Engagement Award
- And Dr. Diego Vega, Associate Professor of Supply Chain Management and Social Responsibility and Director of the HUMLOG Institute at the Hanken School of Economics, who received ALAN’s Research And Academic Contribution Award.

United States Cold Storage was honored for providing seven months of frozen warehouse space free of charge to store 150 pallets of frozen pork – enough to help the requesting non-profit feed 500,000 future disaster survivors.

Flexport.org merited its award for delivering more than 74 million lbs of relief supplies to over 91 different countries since 2018, providing support to 100 million people – including survivors of the war in Ukraine, drought and regional instability in the Horn of Africa, and COVID-19.

ARPCO Transport Services received its award for donating transportation services to move more than 350,000 pounds of food and supplies to Fort Worth Hope Center Food Bank to combat food insecurity.

Scotlynn was honored for providing financial and volunteer services to community members, employees and a local food pantry following Hurricane Ian – and for supporting the National Guard’s emergency response operations by transporting relief materials throughout southwestern Florida.

Dr. Diego Vega was lauded for his 12+ years of research and thought leadership into how different logistics services providers can contribute to the establishment of more efficient and effective humanitarian supply chains. He’s the creator and lead educator of the first [Introduction to Humanitarian Logistics MOOC](#), a board member of the World Humanitarian Forum’s SCM programming board, and will help review the 2022-2026 UN’s Global Logistics Cluster strategy.

“These outstanding honorees are living, breathing examples of what selfless logistics is all about,” Fulton said. “We are thrilled to recognize them today – and proud they represent an industry that takes action to uplift the well-being of disaster survivors around the globe.”

About The Humanitarian Logistics Awards: Established in 2017, ALAN’s Humanitarian Logistics Awards recognize companies and individuals who exemplify the best that the supply chain has to offer by assuring that aid is rapidly delivered to communities in crisis. Presented annually, they are open to any logistics professional, organization or department. For a complete list of previous winners, visit ALAN’s website at <https://www.alanaid.org/humanitarian-logistics-awards-previous-winners/>.

About ALAN: Founded in 2005 in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, ALAN is a philanthropic, industry-wide organization that provides free logistics assistance to disaster relief organizations before, during and after catastrophic events. It does this by bringing the expertise and resources of the logistics industry together with humanitarian organizations so that help can arrive sooner, and each relief dollar can be maximized. Over the years it has coordinated compassionate supply chain services for natural disasters including hurricanes, wildfires, tornadoes, earthquakes and floods. To learn more visit <http://www.alanaid.org>.