

Thank you to everyone who made the 58th annual Virginia Mennonite Relief Sale a success! I believe this is the highest preliminary total we've ever had! It was a beautiful day and many people came to the Fairgrounds to donate to support the efforts of MCC. Not everything ran perfectly, but everyone adapted and made it a great day! I **especially want to thank the many volunteers** who make this event happen. Without all of the volunteers, this event would not happen. We all work together to raise money for MCC in the name of Christ. Through this weekend's event, we have raised money to reach those Jesus calls us to serve. If you would still like to donate, you can send a check, payable to VA Mennonite Relief Sale, to 601 Parkwood Dr Harrisonburg VA 22802 or donate at vareliefsale.com/donate. Most things that happen at the Relief Sale started when someone took the initiative to say, "I would like to do ___." If you are feeling led, please consider organizing something for the relief sale next year.

Mark your calendars. The Walking Roots Band will have a benefit Christmas concert to raise money for MCC on Friday Dec 13, 6:30 at Lindale Mennonite Church.

<u>PRELIMINARY totals</u>	2024	2023	2022	2021
Day after Total Income	439,427	389,474	324,000	355,000
Year End Total Income	????	435,520	430,311	484,300
Auction	122,196	131,882	136,643	138,988
My Coins Count	26,115.04	25,087	23,254	16,052
SOS Giving (including hymn sing)	107,000+	34,365	33,000	35,520
Special Project	11,150	9,250	3,500	3,300
Friday Night Supper	11,933	16,764	12,388	11,753
Saturday Breakfast	22,269	20,584	15,287	14,222

Auction Highlights

13 items sold for over \$1,000 each. Item #2861 "Radiance Queen-Size Quilt" was the highest, selling for \$3900. Item #3066 "Log Cabin Star Quilt" brought in \$3000.

There were 265 items sold in the live auction and 73 of the items were won by online bidders. The silent auction had 180 items which brought in \$8600.

Additional Highlight

The SOS (Sharing Our Surplus) Committee which raises money for refugee relief has been very active this year. They collected many matching donations to encourage giving and held a hymn sing in the spring. People responded very positively to their efforts. They have raised over \$107,000.