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2014 ANNUAL REPORT
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If you’re reading this annual report, it’s because you support ChildFund. On behalf of the 18.2 million children and family members you help us reach in 30 countries, thank you. In these pages, you’ll see how ChildFund-supported projects in Africa, Asia and the Americas improved communities and how your gifts made a difference in individual children’s lives. During the past fiscal year, you’ve helped provide access to food, clean water, health care, education, loving caregivers and protection from danger. So, again, thank you for your continued generosity.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

DEAR FRIENDS,

Lately, I’ve been thinking back to my first job out of college, as a protective social worker, when I spent my days assessing children’s home environments, following up on allegations of abuse and neglect, making recommendations to the courts, and educating and counseling parents. Being at ChildFund feels like coming full circle to the issue closest to my heart: children’s well-being.

That’s why I am so thrilled that in addition to our grassroots efforts to help children worldwide, ChildFund is now advocating at the international level for ending the worst forms of violence against children. With our sister organizations in the ChildFund Alliance, we have launched a worldwide awareness and advocacy campaign called Free From Violence, to make ending extreme violence against children a global priority.

Back in 2000, nearly 200 countries agreed on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), a set of goals to reduce poverty, improve health and education, and create sustainable progress by 2015. These commitments sparked plans, targets and funding that brought about huge changes in developing countries, including declines in child mortality, increased primary school enrollment and much more.

But the world forgot something really important when it laid out the original MDGs. It forgot that threats to the most vulnerable and smallest among us — children — come not only from having too little of life’s essentials but also from having too much violence in their lives. As 2015 approaches, world leaders are working on the next set of goals. And ChildFund is working to see that child protection is included as a high priority.

In Free From Violence, we are raising the collective voice of the ChildFund Alliance’s dozen organizations, which work in 58 countries with millions of children and family members. More than a quarter-million caring people have signed the campaign’s petition at FreeFromViolence.org,

calling on governments to free children from violence and exploitation by including this issue among the new goals to be approved by the U.N. General Assembly in September 2015.

It appears the world is listening. Child protection is now among the proposed post-2015 Sustainable Development Goals — not as a line item but across several different priorities, including child labor, education, gender-based violence, trafficking and more. Protecting children infuses these global goals, much as it does ChildFund’s work, as you’ll see in this year’s annual report.

We are so grateful for your generous support, because it makes the world a safer place to be a child. Your ongoing commitment to helping children achieve their potential — as infants, schoolchildren, young adults and beyond — means a more hopeful world for us all. Thank you.

With warmest regards,

Anne Lynam Goddard
President and CEO

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DEAR FRIENDS,

I want to talk about the benefits of sponsorship and its importance to the children and families we serve. As a member of ChildFund’s board, I’ve been able to see firsthand the difference sponsorship makes in children’s lives worldwide.

In Ethiopia, I saw it in a first-grade classroom that included several 11-year-olds. They were much taller than their 6-year-old classmates, but they were happy to be there, finally beginning their educations. This was possible because ChildFund had helped their community build a new water source, which meant that these children no longer had to spend their days fetching water from miles away instead of learning how to read and count.

In Indonesia, I saw new early childhood development programs that involve parents and stimulate children’s development at the time of their lives when they are most receptive. Sponsorship benefits the children in practical, life-changing ways through the work of our local partner organizations, more than 400 of them, which carry out these efforts within their own communities.

None of this would be possible without you, our supporters. So, I’m excited about some steps we’re taking to improve the sponsorship experience — new and better opportunities for sponsors and children to learn about each other and communicate more easily. We’ve expanded the donor portal at ChildFund.org so that you can learn more about your sponsored child’s world, and over the next year, we are introducing, country by country, a new, faster way to exchange letters. Sponsorship means stronger communities, which leads to healthier, stronger children, which leads to stronger adults … and so on. From my travels, I can tell you that I’ve seen this process borne out in enthusiastic, happy children pursuing their educations, getting the health care they need or training for a job specialty. Thank you for making it possible.

With gratitude,

Hugh Ewing
ChildFund Board Chair

STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

REAL GIFTS, REAL DIFFERENCE

2014 was a great year for our Real Gifts Program. Here’s a sampling of some of the life-changing items distributed to families this year.

- 1,037 goats to help improve livelihoods and nutrition for 420 families
- 1,104 mosquito nets to keep children and families safe from malaria
- 453 health stations stocked to supply much-needed medicines to communities
- 1,212 fruit trees to help parents earn income and feed their children
- 6,775 chicks to help 271 families start chicken farms, providing a source of nutrition and income

ASSESSING OUR IMPACT

In March, ChildFund released its first annual Impact Report, a publication that shares outcomes of our programs and discusses their effectiveness (available at ChildFund.org). It’s a way to initiate a dialogue with ChildFund’s supporters about how best to help children living in poverty, whether they’re infants, children or youth.

REAL GIFTS, REAL DIFFERENCE

- 400,000 families served with health care
- 370,000 children vaccinated
- 365,000 children educated

FREE FROM VIOLENCE

ChildFund Alliance members advocated for the inclusion of an important goal — keeping children’s lives free from violence — in the United Nations’ post-2015 agenda to address global poverty. More than 260,000 people signed the petition at FreeFromViolence.org.

WATCH!

Top Ten Catalog Gifts on YouTube: http://bit.ly/1wgksDs

FUND A PROJECT: ECUADOR AND INDIA

ChildFund’s crowd-funding platform, Fund a Project, had a particularly successful year, raising more than $75,000 for specific projects in specific places. In Ecuador, a sustainable vegetable garden initiative has reached more than 70 families who will now have better access to nutritious food and a source of income from selling surplus produce. The India Girls Scholarship Program was also launched and began providing scholarships to girls in Madhya Pradesh so that they can pursue post-secondary school. Part of a three-year project, the funds raised will help this pilot program see that more girls are able to pursue higher education.

7 BILLION LITERS OF CLEAN WATER

In 2004, one of ChildFund’s partners, Procter & Gamble, started the nonprofit Children’s Safe Drinking Water (CSDW) program, which provides packets of water-purifying powder to families in the Americas, Asia and Africa who don’t have reliable access to clean water. Ten years later, CSDW passed the milestone of delivering its 7 billionth liter of clean water, to a family in one of ChildFund’s programs in Brazil. Seven billion liters equal one liter of clean water for every single person in the world, and CSDW estimates that the program has prevented 300 million days of diarrheal disease and saved 39,000 lives.

(RE)POWERING CHILDREN IN MEXICO

Through a partnership with Uncharted Play, Inc., which specializes in creating innovative toys that generate renewable energy, ChildFund delivered more than 150 SOCKET Balls to children in southern Mexico who live without electricity. When kicked, the soccer ball harnesses kinetic energy, powering a small lamp that children can use for study after the sun goes down.
UNLOCKING POTENTIAL

**EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IN ECUADOR**

ChildFund-trained “mother guides” work regularly with families and respond to concerns about abuse, neglect or exploitation. Everything depends on a child’s first years. And the quality of those first years, when development is both at its most rapid and most fragile, depends enormously on the child’s parents. In fact, responsive caregivers who understand their children’s development — and are equipped to support it — are key in meeting their children’s other primary needs for nutrition, health care, safe environments, stimulation and learning opportunities.

Parenting education is thus a centerpiece of ChildFund’s approach to early childhood development (ECD). The programming’s overarching goals are for the youngest children to develop at their full potential, enjoy good physical and mental health, and live in stable, safe, nonviolent families within supportive communities. These conditions have not been the norm in marginalized areas of Ecuador, where poverty has a stronghold, corporal punishment has been the common form of discipline, and violence between husband and wife has been prevalent. Although Ecuador has policies and laws to promote young children’s well-being, government services have been slow to filter beyond urban centers and into the remote, rural or indigenous areas where 60 percent of the nation’s poor live. According to UNICEF, these disparities serve to “undermine children’s access to health, education and social protection.”

ChildFund’s ECD programming is helping reduce these risks to children. In 2013, ChildFund conducted research on its ECD projects in Ecuador’s Carchi province, where we work with 12,600 children and family members. In particular, we examined two key components of the work: (1) education and support for responsive parenting and (2) strengthening of local child protection systems. The findings suggest that the project has indeed contributed as hoped toward better parenting and stronger child protection within the community.

As caregivers work with trained volunteers to learn about their children’s development, they also learn about children’s rights to the support, protection and care they need to grow up healthy and strong. They also develop an understanding of how violence and stress can derail development. Mercy, a mother of six boys, is seeing the difference that more responsive (rather than reactive) parenting can make. She had been beaten as a child, so, not knowing any better, she did the same with her own children. But now, she talks with her children instead of hitting them when she’s angry. As she participated in more parenting workshops, she came to understand that her harsh way of speaking to her older son was damaging his self-esteem — he had even spoken of suicide. Now she talks to him about his day, about school, about his friends. “He is happier,” she says, “a stronger big brother for the younger ones.”

ChildFund and its local partner organizations teach responsive parenting, they also work to help connect isolated communities to local and national government systems and services by promoting child protection among the people of those communities. ChildFund-trained “mother guides” work regularly with families and respond to concerns about abuse, neglect or exploitation. Mother guides may refer more serious situations up to the local child and youth protection committee, which in turn may refer the case to the appropriate authorities and service providers.

When parents become attuned to their children’s complex and fragile development, when they understand what their children need in order to live fully, and when they have the support they need in order to give it, children flourish. When parents are supported in changing their behaviors to better respond to their children’s developmental needs, they experience not only their children’s growth, but also their own.

**KENYA: SUPPORT AT HOME**

More than 1.6 million people in Kenya were living with HIV in 2012, according to UNICEF. ChildFund is participating in a project to assist more than 160,000 HIV-affected children and their families in Kenya’s Nairobi and Coast provinces. Funded by USAID, the APHIAplus project addresses health, protection, psychosocial support, food and nutrition, education and economic empowerment. Within the project, ChildFund is also implementing activities geared toward the unique needs of children ages 0-5, thanks to significant support from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation (CNHF). Using CNHF’s Essential Package, a curriculum specially designed to help parents and caregivers to understand and meet the needs of young children, trained volunteers conduct regular home visits in which they use visual aids to educate caregivers about their children’s development and guide them toward the resources they need.

When parents are supported in changing their behaviors to better respond to their children’s developmental needs, they experience not only their children’s growth, but also their own.
Over the last year, two significant commitments, totaling $50,000, were made by alumni of orphanages started by Dr. Mills.

Faith, love and hope live on in Alumni

Dr. Veren J. Mills, ChildFund’s third president and longtime overseas director, began his career serving children in poverty in 1931, as a missionary in South China. He found homes for Chinese orphans when the Japanese invaded China in 1937, the event that prompted our founder, Dr. J. Calvert Clarke, to start China’s Children Fund the following year.

With CCF’s assistance, Dr. Mills opened orphanages in China, and in 1947, he formally joined the organization. Over the years, he established homes and provided education and life skills training for thousands of children all over Asia and beyond.

2015 marks the 20th anniversary of The Mills Endowment for Health and Education, established by the Board of Directors in 1995 to honor Dr. Mills. Thanks to the continued generosity of donors, the fund provides annual revenue for vitally needed health and education programs beyond the reach of sponsorship. Over the last year, two significant commitments, totaling $50,000, were made by alumni of orphanages started by Dr. Mills. One is from the Children’s Garden Foundation, named after the Hong Kong orphanage established by Dr. Mills in the early 1950s and founded by Dr. Chun-Wai Chan. Dr. Chan became a cardiac surgeon and served on ChildFund’s Board of Directors for eight years before creating the Foundation to help orphans like himself. The second commitment is from an alumnus in Hong Kong who became a self-made businessman after working part-time to put himself through school. Both men were among the hundreds who attended the annual alumni reunion in Hong Kong in November 2013, which had special significance as they celebrated the 75th anniversary of ChildFund as well.

Dr. Mills’ legacy of faith, love and hope continues to impact thousands of children and family members who benefit from the programs and services funded each year. To learn more about The Mills Endowment, please contact the Philanthropy Department at (804) 756-2723.

Investing in Children’s Potential

Elaine Lennox has been a committed ChildFund supporter for more than 15 years, and the organization is grateful for her partnership. Elaine sponsors three children, has funded a school in Sierra Leone and supports priority funds such as education and Children’s Greatest Needs. Many of Elaine’s gifts have been tied to important events in her life, such as her marriage. This year, she was inspired to make a significant additional gift prior to departing on a six-month travel adventure — a $25,000 stock gift directed to Unlocking Potential, our early childhood development campaign.

A native of Scotland, Elaine now lives in California and is chief marketing officer at Zen Technology, a software company. Of her motivation for making this generous gift, Elaine says, “I would prefer to make a gift that is an investment in the future, helping to provide a better trajectory for children, family members and communities. I was fortunate to be born in an area of the world with many resources and opportunities available to me, and now, working with ChildFund, I can provide the resources to create opportunities for others.”

Early childhood development is one of the most vital investments we can make to transform children’s lives, and ChildFund’s unique program model is founded on community partnerships and sustainable, holistic solutions. For information about Unlocking Potential or how to make a stock gift, please contact the Philanthropy Department at (804) 756-2723.

A Legacy of Giving

ChildFund is deeply grateful for its partnership with Marion Schmidt. For nearly 40 years, she was an active sponsor with a particular interest in encouraging young women in India to pursue their education. A graduate of Northwestern University’s School of Education, Ms. Schmidt was a Chicago teacher whose passion for opening her students’ eyes to the world reinforced her strong ties to the arts, cultural and educational institutions. While she was active in her local community, especially with animal organizations, she also extended her philanthropic spirit and generosity around the world through her involvement with ChildFund.

With no immediate family of her own, the children Ms. Schmidt sponsored through ChildFund became her family and brought her great joy. She established a trust to continue her legacy of giving, and upon her passing in 2004, it began supporting ChildFund and other charities so important to her. The Trust concluded this year, and ChildFund is truly honored to have received gifts totaling over $3,000,000. Ms. Schmidt designated her support to benefit Children’s Greatest Needs, a priority fund that allows ChildFund the flexibility to support programs and services wherever they are needed most. To learn how you can support Children’s Greatest Needs or planned giving, please contact the Philanthropy Department at (804) 756-2723.

Tilting the Balance with Fathers

Throughout ChildFund’s program areas, nearly 100 percent of children’s primary caregivers are women. This also means that women are the primary participants in our parenting education programs. In Honduras, ChildFund is working to right this imbalance.

Partnering with Promundo, a (Brazil-based) nonprofit working to improve gender equality globally, ChildFund is involving Honduran fathers in its early childhood development programming so that children can realize all the benefits of fathers’ full involvement in their lives.

“The workshops are great because they help us to change our attitudes about raising our children,” says Josel, who participated in the series of 10 sessions on topics including child development, maternal and child health and more. “Now I am committed to my family, and I am changing the way I interact with my children.”

Their wives and significant others have noticed the difference. Says one, “Lately, my husband has been doing surprising things. He made breakfast the other morning, and today I saw him cleaning the house. He’s started waking the kids to school. I’m amazed!”

Now, 10 percent of the participants in our parenting education programs are male. Word of mouth has spurred demand in the communities, and plans for another Committed Father series and further expansion are under way.
2014 SPOTLIGHTS

A GLOBAL LIGHT ON GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

Gender-based violence, among the least recognized and most under-reported of all barriers to child development, is as its name suggests: violence against a person because of gender. In 2012, ChildFund launched a program called Shine a Light in Dominica, Indonesia, Liberia and Senegal, thanks largely to a gift from a thoughtful and generous donor. The project’s goals were to raise awareness of gender-based violence (GBV), assist child survivors of sexual abuse and help communities build child-protective systems and responses. The nature and causes of GBV vary across the four Shine a Light countries, so ChildFund tailored the program to each.

GBV is on the rise among young people in Indonesia, especially in dating relationships. So, ChildFund’s Man-Up programs are taught to youth groups made up of both young people and adults. When ChildFund conducted a study to examine the scope of GBV in Senegal, we found that children experience GBV at home, at school and throughout their communities. Six child protection groups made up of both young people and adults were formed to discuss some of the most pervasive GBV issues and then developed action plans for addressing these issues in partnership with their communities. They chose to focus on community mobilization and advocacy with authorities around rape, early and forced marriage and early pregnancy. An early success involved helping a 14-year-old girl avoid a forced marriage: When a youth group in her village learned of her situation, they approached the child protection group, which then met with her mother and negotiated for the girl’s rights.

In Liberia, schools are rife with sexual exploitation and abuse. To respond, Shine a Light formed two clubs for girls, to provide a safe space in the school setting where girls may interact with each other and community mentors about issues such as sexual harassment, HIV and AIDS, unintended pregnancy and reproductive myths. Financial literacy-building activities added a complementary form of empowerment. The project also engaged boys, teachers and school administrators.

In Dominica, sexual abuse is the most common form of GBV against children, especially in areas with high unemployment, juvenile delinquency and student dropout rates, as well as frequent drug use and sexual abuse. Shine a Light’s Man-Up program sought to empower boys and youths ages 6 to 24 to make responsible choices while respecting the rights of girls and women. Together, young men learned to express themselves in positive ways instead of destructively. Sessions focused on respect for self and others, gender identity norms and their implications, community responsibility, brotherhood, goal setting, and sexual and reproductive health.

In Indonesia, boys take part in a three-legged race, which teaches teamwork and cooperation, as part of the gender-based violence prevention program, Shine a Light.

When Super Typhoon Haiyan roared across the Philippines in November 2013, it left 6,300 dead, more than 28,000 injured and a million homes damaged or destroyed. ChildFund was among the first organizations on the ground, ready to help.

First, we worked to meet basic needs for food and other essentials and, especially, for child protection. In the weeks after the storm, we delivered 32,775 food packs and 9,771 maternal and newborn items (sanitary napkins and cleaning supplies, blankets, cooking utensils, etc.).

We also set up 15 Child-Centered Spaces (CCS), safe places where children and youth can play, socialize and learn. Children could also receive counseling, referrals to specialist services and, because children are most vulnerable to abuse and exploitation after disasters, protection.

This spring, our response shifted more toward recovery. We are supporting the government and other agencies’ efforts to rehabilitate schools and community-run early childhood centers and are building temporary learning spaces for schools that need more work. Schoolchildren received back-to-school kits. We also have been training teachers and other care providers on psychosocial support for children.

Because malnutrition has been an ongoing risk for young children since Haiyan, we have reached 40,000 mothers and young children with education about nutrition and health, breastfeeding support and malnutrition monitoring.

Livelihood efforts include ensuring parents have support to rebuild their businesses in agriculture or fishing, and we’re helping youth and adults build skills in masonry, carpentry and more.

None of this would be possible without generous support from individuals and Alliance member organizations, in addition to funds received from UNICEF, Mercy Corps, Swedish and Australian philanthropic organizations and the governments of Canada, Australia, New Zealand and Korea.
THE MANY BRANCHES OF SPONSORSHIP

Support from sponsors allows us to remain in communities for the long term, building relationships with local partner organizations and focusing on children’s changing needs as they grow up. Sponsors’ friendship and encouragement further elevate ChildFund’s impact for children, families and communities, increasing their well-being.

RECRUITING SPONSORS THROUGH MUSIC

The excitement of watching musicians perform on stage is translating to helping children around the world. ChildFund’s LIVE! artists recruited more than 3,000 sponsors in the 2014 fiscal year. Volunteers across the country manned tables with information about sponsorship at concerts by Seventh Day Slumber, Girls of Grace, Carman, Linda Tedwell, Donny & Marie, Thompson Square, The Texas Tenors, Fernando Varela and Seth Glier, among others.

One of our newest artists is Fernando Varela, a finalist in America’s Got Talent last year. He and his wife, Susan, visited two of our communities in Ecuador this past summer, where they sponsored six children.

“I think music is such a powerful tool,” Fernando says. “It’s a universal language. People really get to go on a journey and feel a lot of things. I always wanted to have a foundation, to have a cause. We just started now instead of waiting. If I can share with the audience the change that ChildFund creates in children’s lives — through fulfilling basic needs that we take for granted — now I’m not just entertaining, I’m making a difference.”

LIVE! director Jeff Miller explains it this way: “Bringing hope and opportunities to the lives of children and their families is the true meaning behind all the fun. It’s the motivation and purpose of the work that we do. In the end the music fades, but these children will have impact on their communities for generations to come.”

OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME: SPONSOR VISITS

Not all sponsors get the opportunity to personally meet the children they help, but ChildFund’s sponsor care department and our national offices assist those who make these special journeys. During the past year, the Milewski family visited Hermie, the girl they sponsor in the Philippines, and Michael Kurtzman saw Lilian, his sponsored child, for a second time in Guatemala.

Lilian is 15, and she’d like to become a teacher. Michael, who visited Guatemala with his sister Nancy Hernandez, is committed to helping Lilian achieve her educational and professional goals. “My commitment is to continue my sponsorship; also, I want Lilian to keep studying, and I will help her. I really want her to finish her education, because it is very important for her future,” he said.

While in Guatemala, Michael also had the opportunity to see one of ChildFund’s programs, Let Me Tell You, in the central highlands. It serves about 80 children, teaching them about literacy, self-expression and research. On the day that Michael visited, they were making animal masks.

The Milewskis — Bernadeta, Evan and 6-year-old Nadia — had big plans for their first trip to see 12-year-old Hermie and her family. San Joaquin, where Hermie lives, is vulnerable to flooding. The region was not affected by Typhoon Haiyan, but Hermie’s family had experienced water damage to their home in earlier storms.

The Milewskis decided they would work with ChildFund staff to help the family to build a house on safer ground. They also assisted Hermie’s father, a fisherman, purchase a fishing boat so he can grow his daily earnings, which range from $2 to $4 a day.

Bernadeta Milewski is a strong believer in the power of correspondence, which helps teach children about the world and its opportunities. As the sponsor of three children through ChildFund, “I always introduce myself, tell the child who we are and why we sponsor,” Bernadeta explains. “I am always very positive and ask lots of questions, as this opens up a dialogue. I ask what the child likes doing, what holidays he or she celebrates, what their favorite subject is. I always stress how important it is for them to study and encourage them to do their best. As sponsors, we have a very important role in their life. We can provide something different than their immediate families do.”

Bernadeta Milewski (right) and her husband and daughter traveled to the Philippines to visit sponsored child Hermie (center) in 2014.

Above: Michael Kurtzman visits ChildFund’s Let Me Tell You program, which serves about 80 children in Guatemala’s central highlands, teaching them about literacy, self-expression and research.

Left: Michael with his sponsored child, Lilian, 15, in Guatemala.
THE IMPORTANCE OF LOCAL PARTNERS

ChildFund’s work in communities is carried out by local partners — grassroots organizations made up of people who actually live in the area and thus have a stake in creating the conditions their children need to thrive. Through these partnerships, ChildFund reaches children in need directly while also involving parents, teachers, local government and larger systems in upholding children’s rights to health, nutrition, safety, education and more. The partnerships also help ensure that we respond in locally relevant ways to the challenges of growing up poor.

E-LEARNING PROVIDES CAREER PATHS FOR ZAMBIAN YOUTH

The Zambia Nurse and Life Skills Training Program, in partnership with The MasterCard Foundation, implemented by ChildFund Zambia and the African Medical and Research Foundation, is an innovative e-learning program that addresses Zambia’s shortage of health care workers by expanding access to training and improving the capacity of nursing schools. Launched in June 2014, the five-year program aims to train 6,000 youth, particularly those from disadvantaged households, in nursing and midwifery care. Additionally, 1,631 financially disadvantaged young people will have access to full and partial scholarships. The e-learning component will allow nursing and midwife training schools in Zambia to reach more students through technology and integrate an enhanced life skills curriculum, giving students the interpersonal skills needed for the workplace.

EQuIP: ENHANCING EDUCATION QUALITY IN INDIA

Thanks to a generous grant from the Caterpillar Foundation, ChildFund India and local partner Kailashevo Karunalaya Social Welfare Society (KKSS) have assisted more than 4,800 students through improvements in educational quality and academic support. The Enhanced Education Quality Improvement Program (EQuIP) has worked in 98 primary and middle schools around Chennai, the capital city of Tamil Nadu. The program has provided learning materials and improved classroom environments, trained teaching staff on modules particularly designed for delayed learners, and promoted community involvement to support continued education enhancement. The program has shown a significant improvement in attendance and quality of learning.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE FOR ETHIOPIAN FAMILIES

In Ethiopia, Dugda Children’s and Family Charitable Organization (CFCCO) is just one example of a local partnership that is making a difference for children and families. With programs spanning all life stages, Dugda CFCCO has had some great successes this year — providing early childhood development training for parents, assisting with food and medical supplements for children ages 0-5, improving school buildings and academic quality for primary and middle school-age children and promoting youth participation through youth clubs and livelihood training. Through a partnership with the USAID-funded Yekokeb Birhan project, Dugda CFCCO is also focusing its work on families and children affected by HIV and AIDS through providing better access to medication and care, nutrition and livelihood training for parents.

WHERE WE WORK

We work in 30 countries, reaching 18.2 million children and family members and transforming communities into places where children can thrive.

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Ethiopia
The Gambia
Guinea
Kenya
Liberia
Mozambique
Senegal
Sierra Leone
Togo
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I am glad to report that ChildFund International donors’ generous support for children and their families resulted in this year’s revenue of $248.5 million. The total is especially noteworthy in light of the fact that ChildFund increased program services to children by 8.3 percent this past year. We were able to do so despite foreign exchange losses in the sponsorship funding we receive from other ChildFund Alliance members, which resulted in a year-over-year decrease in revenue. ChildFund International continues to strive for excellence in delivering programs. I am happy to report that the Association of Fundraising Professionals selected ChildFund as the Grand Pinnacle Award winner for our innovative use of mobile payment technology to reach children and their families in remote program locations. The award recognizes the fact that by being good stewards of the funds you entrust to us, ChildFund is able to make a greater difference for children. This is what we strive to do every day. We are deeply grateful to you for making this life-changing work possible.

Sincerely,

James M. Tuite
Chief Financial Officer

How Your Gifts Help Children

- Program Services for Children 83% ($203 million)
- Fundraising 9% ($22.3 million)
- Management and General 7% ($17.8 million)

Assistance to Children and Families

- Basic Education 38% ($77.1 million)
- Health and Sanitation 19% ($39.3 million)
- Early Childhood Development 16% ($32.4 million)
- Micro-Enterprise (Family Income Generation) 11% ($23 million)
- Nutrition 8% ($16.1 million)
- Emergencies 7% ($13.1 million)
We have made every attempt to ensure the accuracy of this donor listing, we apologize in advance for any errors and ask that you alert us by contacting Susan Gorman in our Philanthropy department, at (804)756-2723 or by email at sgorman@childfund.org. Thank you.
ChildFund is pleased to recognize the following supporters who gave annual gifts of $2,500 – $4,999 this past fiscal year.

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Vocational skills and training can lead to a more productive and self-sufficient adulthood. Livelihood and agricultural endeavors contribute to a healthy and nutritious diet as well as additional income when surplus is sold at the local market. And home-based businesses give parents greater flexibility. Your gift will provide the tools necessary for youth and young adults to become more independent.

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