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ChildFund International receives 2014 NGO Partner of the Year Award

RICHMOND, Va. (Jan. 21, 2015) – Airlink, a 24/7 rapid response disaster and humanitarian relief organization, honored [ChildFund International](#) with the 2014 NGO Partner of the Year Award for its [Ebola relief efforts](#). Since August, ChildFund, a global child development and protection agency, has [airlifted three shipments](#) of critically needed medical supplies to West Africa and was the first organization to open an interim care center in Liberia for children who have lost parents or caregivers to Ebola.

The award was presented during the Airlink Charity Gala Dinner, held on Tuesday, Jan. 20, at the Shelbourne Hotel in Dublin, Ireland, as part of the Airline Economics Growth Frontiers Dublin 2015 Conference. Airlink was the sole charity partner for the Gala Dinner, which was sponsored by Engine Lease Finance Corporation.

“ChildFund is honored to receive this award,” said Anne Lynam Goddard, president and CEO of ChildFund. “ChildFund staff, volunteers and corporate partners have dedicated countless hours and given generously to help those affected by one of the worst global crises we have seen in our lifetimes. Receiving this award is a testament to their hard work and a solid reminder of the work that remains to be done to end this epidemic.”

Michael Kiely, chief executive officer of [ChildFund Ireland](#), accepted the award on behalf of ChildFund International. In addition to ChildFund’s award, Airlink presented JetBlue Airways with the 2014 Airline Partner of the Year Award.

“We are extremely pleased to recognize both JetBlue Airways and ChildFund International for their ongoing dedication and response to humanitarian crises in 2014,” said Steve Smith, executive director of Airlink. “While JetBlue provided significant support to Airlink this past year, they also continue to act as a catalyst for our program and to help build our collective impact. ChildFund International is a new NGO partner to Airlink that has engaged very actively with our program, particularly during the Airlink Ebola Air Bridge, which indicates the degree to which they value our partnership.”

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ChildFund International is a global child development and protection agency serving more than 18.2 million children and family members in 30 countries. For 75 years, we have helped the world’s deprived, excluded and vulnerable children survive and thrive to reach their full potential and become leaders of enduring change. As a member of ChildFund Alliance, we create supportive environments in which children can flourish. For more information about ChildFund, visit www.ChildFund.org.