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Through the merger, **Alternative Gifts International** and **Charity On Top** combine their strengths to reimagine generosity on a global scale. Together, we connect donors and gift card redeemers with life-changing causes, support high-impact grassroots partners, and make it easier than ever for people to give in ways that nourish communities, protect the planet, and empower nonprofits worldwide.



Each year, **AGI** develops a global shopping list designed to meet the needs of hungry, sick, and homeless people and our endangered planet. In order to send designated gifts overseas and to poverty areas of the United States, it is necessary to partner with many grassroots organizations. We have chosen nonprofit agencies with excellent reputations and track records to send gifts to the poor.



Charity[®] On Top

Charity On Top reimagines giving by turning gift-giving into charitable impact. Founded by nonprofit veterans Marchelle and Kathy, it was created on a simple belief: life-changing causes shouldn't depend on unpredictable fundraisers. Through charity gift cards, people can give meaningful, personal gifts while supporting nonprofits the recipient chooses—moving more money to causes that matter, with less burden on charities.



OUR CAUSES

The AGI catalog offers you a selection of vetted causes which address a number of global issues worldwide. Any one of these causes can make a memorable gift, for the giver, the receiver, and the ultimate beneficiary.



For 40 years we have remained committed to sending 90% of each donated dollar directly to fulfill the missions on each page.



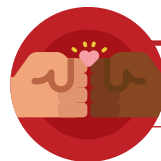
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HELP MOTHERS BUILD THRIVING MICRO-FARMS

EGYPT



\$1,500

Crowdfund a micro-farming cycle
for one family.



PHOTO CREDIT: HANDS

In rural Upper Egypt, families face some of the harshest poverty in the region. Eighty percent of Egyptians living in extreme poverty are concentrated here, where chronic food insecurity affects nearly three-quarters of households. Parents want to provide for their children, yet the cost of even a single animal or a few seedlings puts opportunity out of reach. Your gift changes that.



Through **HANDS'** micro-farming initiative, families receive a pair of pregnant sheep, a flock of chickens or ducks, quality seedlings, and the training and care needed to turn these assets into food, income, and stability.

Eman's life shows what your generosity makes possible. Widowed at 20 with a newborn, she received a small flock—and within months, she doubled it, creating steady nutrition and income for her child. Today, she stands confident, hopeful, and building a future once unimaginable. Your support turns survival into a real possibility.

\$40

Grow a tomato
plant.

\$50

Purchase a share of a
dozen chicks.

\$250

Purchase a flock of 30
ducklings.

2 PROTECT WOMEN AND LGBTQIA+ MIGRANTS

GLOBAL



MADRE

Around the world, families are being displaced by war, economic collapse, and the accelerating climate crisis. **MADRE** and our global partners are there when people have nowhere else to turn, supporting those facing displacement, deportation, and family separation.

In Mexico, we sustain a sanctuary network providing food, medical and mental health care, and reintegration support for people caught in the US deportation system. Our partner Fondo Semillas also helps expectant, young, and single migrant mothers give birth safely through holistic prenatal and postnatal care rooted in ancestral midwifery and traditional medicine.

As shelters overflow with women, girls, and LGBTQIA+ deportees fleeing abuse, MADRE strengthens these safe havens with legal aid, psychosocial support, and Know Your Rights outreach.

Your generosity delivers safety, dignity, and hope when everything else has been stripped away.



\$330



Crowdfund to provide a long-term domestic violence shelter for a mother and her children.

\$10

A food basket for a recently deported person.

\$60

Group therapy for migrant girls.



PHOTO CREDIT: MADRE

3 SEW A PATHWAY TO INDEPENDENCE

INDIA



For girls born into India's lowest social class, the path ahead is painfully narrow. Many grow up in rural villages or crowded slums. As Dalits—long branded “Untouchable”—they are denied opportunity at every turn. School doors close. Clinics turn them away. Work is limited to the hardest, lowest-paid labor, often earning just 200 rupees a day—about \$2. When a husband becomes sick or loses work, families collapse into crisis. Elderly widows with no support are left to beg for survival. But your compassion can change everything.



India
Partners

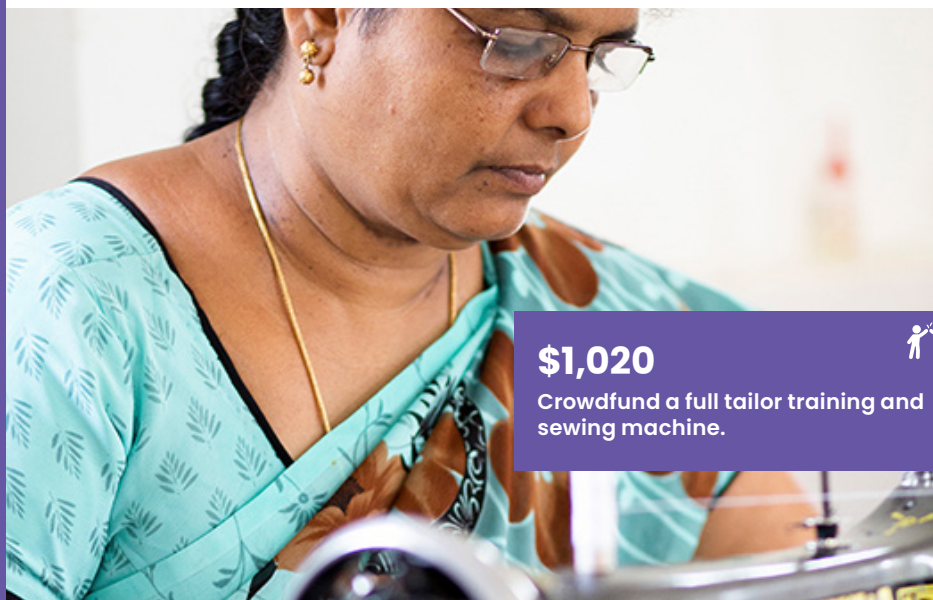
Through **India Partners'** seamstress training program, a woman gains more than a skill—she gains control over her future. She can earn a steady income, support her children, and build a dignified business from her home. Your gift gives her the chance to rise beyond the limits society placed on her.

\$40

One month of tailor training.

\$200

A sewing machine for a graduate.



\$1,020

Crowdfund a full tailor training and sewing machine.



PHOTO CREDIT: INDIA PARTNERS

4 WOMEN CRAFTING LIVELIHOODS

EGYPT



\$800



Crowdfund a small starter enterprise kit with tools, equipment, and marketing.



PHOTO CREDIT: HANDS

In Upper Egypt, where nearly 80% of the country's poorest families live, women face some of the most severe barriers to economic opportunity. With 70% unemployed, many rely on informal, low-paid work that offers no stability or protection. Handicraft production is one of the few culturally accepted ways for women to earn income, yet most lack the training, market access, and support needed to turn their skills into a sustainable livelihood.

Magda was one of them. Skilled in crochet and beadwork, she worked tirelessly yet earned only survival-level income—until the **HANDS** Young Entrepreneurs Program (YEP) provided the training, mentoring, and small financing she needed to transform her craft into a thriving microenterprise.



\$55

Helps her launch a new craft product.

\$220

Training to start a microenterprise.

5 RELIABLE WATER. LASTING IMPACT.

SOUTH SUDAN



Across South Sudan, water systems are failing faster than communities can repair them. In rural areas, up to 40% of wells are broken at any given time, leaving families with no choice but to return to contaminated ponds and seasonal streams.

These unsafe sources carry waterborne disease and require hours of walking each day—time that women and girls could spend in school, earning income, or simply resting in the shade. Rehabilitating a single well changes everything.

Water for South Sudan's well restoration brings clean, reliable water back to entire villages—water that is safe to drink, close to home, and available year-round despite extreme heat and harsh terrain. For families who have endured years of instability, a functioning well supports health and dignity. Your gift brings 10 broken wells back to life—returning safe water to thousands.



\$100

One water well handpump.

\$150

Gravel for well installation.



\$4,400

Crowdfund to rehabilitate a water well.



PHOTO CREDIT: WATER FOR SOUTH SUDAN

6 HEALING CHILDREN THROUGH SURGERY

GLOBAL



Mending Kids provides free lifesaving surgical care to sick children worldwide by deploying volunteer medical teams and supporting communities to become medically self-sustaining. In the United States, Mending Kids also helps children with special needs access critical dental and surgical care that would otherwise remain out of reach.

For some families, the barrier to survival is not only the surgery itself, but simply reaching it. Shalom's father spent three months saving enough money for the \$10 bus ride to bring his son to FREE lifesaving heart surgery. After the successful operation, father and child remained at the hospital because they could not afford the trip home. Joel's aunt hitchhiked across Tanzania, carrying her orphaned nephew to reach our surgical team because, without treatment, he was dying.

All of this is possible because medical companies donate many of the critical supplies and devices needed to perform these procedures. Mending Kids raises the funds needed to deploy medical teams and cover

\$5,000

Crowdfund to mend two hearts through pediatric cardiac surgery.



PHOTO CREDIT: MENDING KIDS

essential patient care costs not met through donated resources.

Your support helps children reach lifesaving care, receive surgery, recover safely, and return home mended.

\$10

Helps transport a child to lifesaving surgery.

\$100

Helps provide postoperative medications for one child.

7 TRAVELING MEDICS SAVE LIVES

BURMA



Families fleeing military violence in eastern Burma hide deep in the jungle with no clinics, no roads, and no safe place to give birth. Mothers deliver babies on dirt floors without medicine or trained help. The results are devastating: 135 of every 1,000 newborns die in their first month, and mothers face life-threatening risks with every pregnancy.



Yet almost no one knows this crisis exists. The media rarely reports on Burma's suffering, and recent USAID funding cuts have wiped out critical support for the programs keeping these families alive.

That is why the Backpack Medics are indispensable.

These courageous villagers walk for days through conflict zones to reach families the world cannot see. They treat malaria, deliver babies safely, and bring lifesaving medicine to the forgotten. Their impact is extraordinary—reducing infant and maternal deaths to fewer than 2 per 1,000 births.

Your gift to **Burma Humanitarian Mission** fills the gap left by lost funding and keeps these medics equipped to save lives.

\$10

Malaria protection for an expectant mother.

\$40

Penicillin for a medic team for 1 year.

\$650

Crowdfund for essential supplies for a medic team for 3 years.

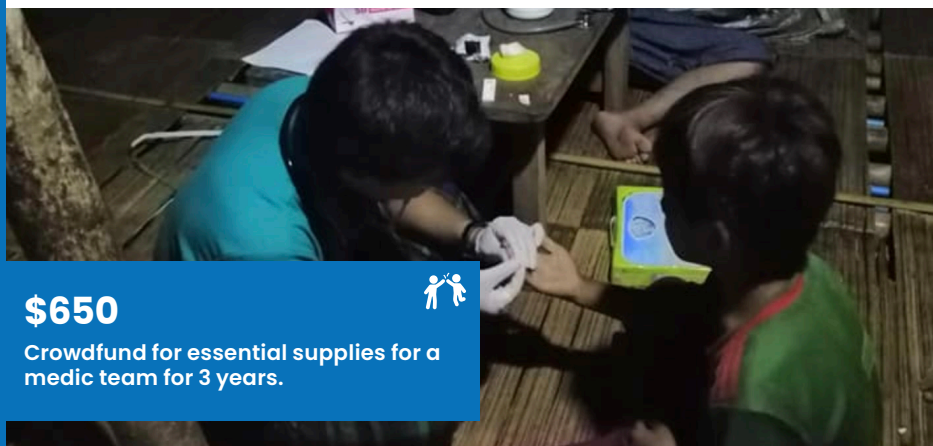


PHOTO CREDIT: BURMA HUMANITARIAN MISSION



HEALING THROUGH EQUINE THERAPY

USA



\$550

Crowdfund for a one-week
Horse Therapy Camp for a medically
challenged youth.



PHOTO CREDIT: CONNECTMED

Youth with medical challenges and disabilities are often bullied, avoided, or misunderstood. Many endure repeated surgeries, ongoing treatments, and the emotional weight of feeling different in a world that doesn't always know how to welcome them. For these young people, equine therapy becomes more than a program—it becomes a place to heal, connect, and feel whole again.

ConnectMed

ConnectMed's equine therapy programs offer youth who have experienced trauma related to their medical conditions a safe space to grow through the powerful bond between humans and horses. Through week-long camps, subsidized weekly riding lessons, and three annual non-riding barn excursions, participants experience acceptance, strength, and joy. In partnership with skilled therapists and equine centers, these programs help youth build confidence, communication skills, emotional resilience, and physical strength through guided horse care, groundwork, and riding.

Your gift empowers these young people to discover their potential through the transformative presence of horses.

\$50

One share of horse therapy.

\$110

Riding classes for a medically
challenged youth.

9 HEALTHY KIDS LEARN BETTER HAITI



Haiti's children are facing a crisis few can imagine. Of the 5.4 million children under 18, 741,000 are displaced, living far from stability or routine. One in two doesn't know where their next meal will come from. One in four is out of school entirely. And with only 5.6% of schools having a nurse on site, most children have no access to basic medical care during the school day.

Community Coalition for Haiti

(CCH) partners with 11 schools to change this reality. Depending on each school's needs, CCH strengthens student health and learning by providing nutritious hot meals for 850 children daily, supporting week-long summer camps that sustain learning and ensure children are fed during school breaks, and funding part-time school nurses at three partner schools—each stocked with essential medicines and supplies. Your support helps create healthier kids and stronger schools across Haiti.



\$320



Crowdfund to provide a day of hot, nutritious lunch for up to 1700 school children in three CCH partner schools.

\$30

Sends three kids to summer camp and meals.

\$60

One box of medicine to support part-time school nurses serving more than 800 students.

PHOTO CREDIT: COMMUNITY COALITION FOR HAITI

10 ULTRASOUNDS FOR MOTHERS IN NEED

GLOBAL



For mothers and babies in remote and under-resourced communities, access to a simple ultrasound can be life-changing. Many expectant mothers go through pregnancy without the imaging needed to detect complications early.



Ohana One International brings lifesaving technology and medical training to communities where specialized care is limited. Through portable ultrasound devices, smart glasses, and remote mentoring, Ohana One connects local clinicians with experienced specialists to help guide care in real time.

The Vave portable ultrasound is one powerful example—a handheld device that enables trained providers to perform imaging in remote hospitals and clinics. With remote support, local teams can better identify pregnancy risks, monitor fetal health, and make informed decisions for mothers and babies.

Your gift helps put essential technology and training into the hands of medical teams. Each device becomes more than equipment—it's a teaching tool, a connection to expert guidance, and a pathway to stronger local healthcare systems.

\$25

Supports remote training using portable medical technology.

\$50

Supports ultrasound training and mentorship for maternal care.

\$100

Helps equip medical teams with technology, training, and guidance.



PHOTO CREDIT: OHANA ONE

END-OF-LIFE CHOICE AND CARE

USA



PHOTO CREDIT: COMPASSION & CHOICES

Compassion & Choices is leading a national movement to ensure that every person can navigate the end-of-life with dignity, clarity, and control. Their work empowers individuals and families with trusted information, personalized guidance, and compassionate support so they can make end-of-life decisions that reflect their deepest values. Through education, advocacy, and community outreach, they help people document their care wishes, understand all available options, and receive treatment that prioritizes comfort, autonomy, and quality of life.



Across all 50 states, they champion patient-directed care, protect existing end-of-life options, and work to expand access—especially for communities facing disparities. Their vision is simple and profound: a society where everyone can chart their own end-of-life journey with peace and confidence.

Your gift helps protect choice, advance compassion, and ensure no one faces life's final chapter alone.

\$25

Provides a printed End-of-Life Decisions Guide and Dementia Values & Priorities Workbook.

\$50

Funds a Compassion & Choices volunteer to lead an educational advance care planning session.

\$100

Hosts a virtual clinical education session for clinicians, doulas, and medical students.

12 SUPPORTING THOSE WITH EPILEPSY

USA



CLOSING THE GAPS IN EPILEPSY CARE

The Danny Did Foundation was created in memory of four-year-old Danny Stanton, whose joyful spirit and love of life continue to inspire action for families affected by epilepsy.

Danny Did works to protect people living with epilepsy and prevent seizure-related deaths by increasing awareness of Sudden Unexpected Death in Epilepsy—known as SUDEP—providing families with trusted education and resources, and expanding access to seizure-monitoring and alerting technology.

Through direct family support, healthcare-provider education, advocacy and device grants, Danny Did helps families better understand epilepsy risks, explore available safety options and feel less alone as they navigate life with seizures.

Knowledge can reduce fear. Technology can provide an added layer of safety. Together, we can help protect more children and adults living with epilepsy. Your gift helps carry Danny's joyful spirit forward while protecting and supporting families facing epilepsy.

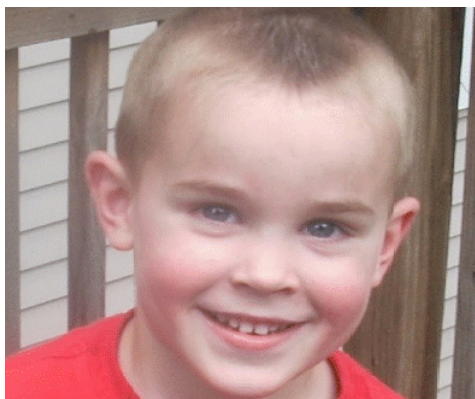


PHOTO CREDIT: THE DANNY DID FOUNDATION

\$25

Provide trusted information about epilepsy, seizure safety and SUDEP.

\$50

Connect a family with personalized guidance, resources and support.

\$500

Help a family access seizure-monitoring and alerting technology.

13 EDUCATION THROUGH ARTS & OPPORTUNITY

HAITI



Haiti's young people face barriers no child should have to overcome. Nearly 70% of students never make it past 5th grade, not because they lack talent or drive, but because poverty closes doors long before their potential can open them. Education in Haiti is more than a classroom—it is dignity, safety, opportunity, and the chance to imagine a future that feels possible.

APJ
Artists for Peace and Justice

Artists for Peace and Justice partners with communities to ensure that young people living in poverty can stay in school, develop their talents, and step into adulthood with confidence. Through education, arts, and job-pathway programs, APJ helps students break through the obstacles that too often end their schooling far too early.

A gift to APJ is an investment in determination, creativity, and hope. You help students learn with purpose, dream with dignity, and build brighter futures for themselves, their families, and their communities.

\$25

Provide a school uniform for one student.

\$50

School supplies and uniforms for one student.



\$200



Crowdfund to equip four students with uniforms and a musical instrument.

PHOTO CREDIT: GILES CLARKE FOR ARTISTS FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

14 SECOND CHANCES START HERE USA



PHOTO CREDIT: REACHING OUT FROM WITHIN

Every person returning home from incarceration deserves more than survival—they deserve dignity, opportunity, and a real chance to rebuild.

Reaching Out from Within walks alongside individuals as they heal from trauma, strengthen their confidence, and prepare for meaningful work and stable lives.

Founded by Greg Musselman and SuEllen Fried—and shaped by the wisdom of those who have lived incarceration firsthand—our programs are created by the incarcerated and for the incarcerated. Through trauma-informed groups, education, workforce development, and reentry support, participants gain the tools to break cycles of recidivism and reclaim their futures.

Your generosity removes barriers to employment, housing, and stability. It strengthens families, stabilizes neighborhoods, and builds safer communities where transformation is truly possible. When you give, you're not just supporting a program—you're investing in human potential.



\$50

Provides essential materials that keep healing circles and peer-led groups running.

\$100

Supplies work-readiness tools that help returning citizens secure stable employment.

15 RELIEF, RECOVERY, AND RESILIENCE UKRAINE



\$1,000



Crowdfund to equip a field medic backpack or communication radio.

PHOTO CREDIT: RAZOM

Since 2022, Ukrainians have lived through the devastating impact of Russia's full-scale invasion. Entire communities have been shattered, families uprooted, and hospitals, schools, and vital infrastructure repeatedly attacked. Millions continue to face immense challenges as they work to survive, heal, and rebuild their lives.

Razom has been alongside Ukraine since 2014, when people united to defend their dignity, freedom, and future. In the face of today's war, Razom delivers life-saving humanitarian aid while investing in long-term recovery and resilience.

Through trusted local partnerships built over more than a decade, Razom supplies emergency medical equipment, supports frontline responders, and strengthens trauma-care systems that save lives in moments of crisis. At the same time, Razom is helping build the future by supporting youth programs, community-rebuilding initiatives, and volunteer-driven efforts that restore connection, stability, and opportunity across Ukraine.

Together, we are helping Ukrainians not only endure this war, but recover, rebuild, and thrive.



\$50

Provides seven days of summer camp for one child.

\$125

Supports one volunteer rebuilding community in Ukraine.

16 WOMEN LEADING PEACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

GLOBAL



MADRE began in 1983, when a group of American women poets, teachers, artists, and health professionals traveled to Nicaragua to witness the impact of the US-sponsored Contra War. Today, MADRE has made over \$78 million in grants to grassroots, women-led organizations and women's rights activists worldwide. Through our Building a Just Peace Program, MADRE responds to the drivers and impacts of armed conflict by resourcing women and girl peacebuilders on the frontlines.

MADRE

Research continues to show what MADRE's partners already know—supporting women's leadership in conflict resolution is amongst the most powerful approaches to achieving lasting peace. Together with our partners, MADRE delivers life-saving, gender-responsive resources to help communities prevent, survive, and rebuild from war and occupation. MADRE also utilizes our over 40 years of expertise to equip women and girls with the tools to meaningfully participate as leaders in peace processes. We work alongside our partners to bring their demands to key policymaking spaces, including U.S. Congress. Together, we build leverage to hold governments and armed groups accountable for upholding human rights law and delivering social change.

\$10

Provides drought-resistant sorghum seeds to a woman farmer in Sudan.

\$250

Provides safe water distribution for 1,000 displaced people in crises.



\$1,000



Crowdfund travel for an Afghan woman human rights advocate to testify before the United Nations Human Rights Council.

PHOTO CREDIT: MADRE

17 OPEN DOORS FOR A STUDENT USA



Many students have the talent, determination, and potential to succeed but lack access to the opportunities, guidance, and support needed to make college and career pathways possible.

The **WISE Scholarship Program** identifies these “stranded superstars” and helps them become confident, well-rounded leaders prepared for life beyond high school.

Beginning at age 14, WISE provides mentorship, college and career exposure, leadership development, and personalized support tailored to each student’s goals. Through its unique “earn to learn” model, students participate in programming and milestones to earn scholarship support while building confidence, responsibility, and ownership of their future.

Your gift helps remove barriers and create life-changing opportunities by supporting college access, career readiness, mentorship, and scholarships that empower students to pursue higher education and become future leaders.

\$50

College application fee.

\$125

Graduation expenses.



\$1,000



Crowdfund for a WISE Scholarship Fund contribution.

PHOTO CREDIT: WISE

18 GIFT A BOOK, INSPIRE READERS

ETHIOPIA



\$1,100



Crowdfund to host a Community Reading Festival.

PHOTO CREDIT: ETHIOPIA READS

Access to books is more than education—it is hope, imagination, and possibility. In Ethiopia, millions of children long to learn and dream, yet the simple absence of books keeps entire communities from reaching their potential. Literacy is the key that unlocks opportunity, strengthens families, and builds a brighter future for the next generation.



Ethiopia Reads (ER) brings books directly to children who would otherwise go without. Through Donkey Mobile Libraries, Horse-Powered Libraries, Children's Reading Festivals, and Reading Camps, ER delivers stories, knowledge, and inspiration to villages where books are rarely seen. These creative programs give families and young learners access to reading materials that spark curiosity and fuel independent learning.

Your gift helps Ethiopian children discover the joy of reading—and opens doors that can change their lives forever.

\$25

Send 30 books.

\$110

Send a child to Summer Reading Camp.

19 MOBILITY = EDUCATION

DR CONGO



\$7,700



Crowdfund for 10 children's education costs for a year.

PHOTO CREDIT: STANDPROUD

Children with disabilities in the DR Congo face overwhelming barriers. Most families cannot afford the orthopedic equipment their children need to walk, let alone the school fees required for an education. Only half of Congolese children attend primary school—and the rate is far lower for those with physical disabilities. Without mobility or access to school, these children are often left isolated while harmful misconceptions about their abilities persist. **STANDPROUD** is changing this trajectory.



In partnership with a local nonprofit led by former beneficiaries, STANDPROUD provides school fees, books, and uniforms so disabled children can attend primary school with dignity. They also craft durable orthopedic leg braces and teach each child how to use them—restoring mobility, confidence, and independence.

Children who once crawled now walk, learn, and even play soccer. Your gift gives them the chance every child deserves.

\$10

Replacement leg straps for a child.

\$50

School fees for one child for one month.

20 REBUILDING SCHOOLS BRICK BY BRICK

THE MIDDLE EAST



Children at MEEI deserve a campus where they can learn, play, and feel safe. Yet the cliff directly above the elementary playground is showing dangerous fractures and rapid weathering—conditions nearly identical to the section that required reinforcement in an earlier phase. Engineers have confirmed the risk: without immediate action, rockfall or collapse could threaten the only outdoor play space these children have.

This need is even more urgent now. Months of war have pushed all learning online, isolated students, and forced families into shelters as missiles struck the Galilee. Education budgets are being cut, and Palestinian students are disproportionately affected. When children finally return to campus, they must return to safety.

Your support for **Pilgrims of Ibillin** will build the protective retaining wall that safeguards students today—and restores stability, hope, and normalcy for years to come.

\$50

Five square feet of formwork and rebar.

\$100

Tools for local builders.



\$300



Crowdfund to provide three buckets of concrete.



PHOTO CREDIT: PILGRIMS OF IBILLIN

21 EMPOWER YOUNG MUSICIANS

LOS ANGELES, CA, USA



Music can change the way a young person sees the world—and themselves. Since 1955, **Young Musicians Foundation** (YMF) has opened doors for young people in Los Angeles, especially in South Central, by providing access to high-quality music education that builds confidence, discipline, creativity, and belonging. Too many students grow up without instruments, instruction, or safe spaces to explore their talent. YMF removes those barriers. Through innovative, community-rooted programs, young musicians learn, perform, collaborate, and discover their artistic voice—often for the first time.



Your gift makes that possible. Every contribution helps provide instruction, instruments, creative technology, and supportive learning spaces where young artists can thrive. When you give to Young Musicians Foundation, you're not just funding music lessons—you're investing in opportunity, mentorship, and the belief that talent should never be limited by zip code or ability to pay.

\$25

Support a music lesson for one student.

\$50

Support a music lesson for two students.



\$200

Crowdfund to support a music lesson for eight students.



PHOTO CREDIT: YOUNG MUSICIANS FOUNDATION

22 STEM PATHWAYS FOR EVERY GIRL USA



\$5,500



Crowdfund to support a fellowship for one student to join the Girls in Science program.

PHOTO CREDIT: EARTHWATCH INSTITUTE

As humanity confronts climate change and unprecedented environmental challenges, we must prepare a diverse generation of science- and conservation-minded leaders equipped to develop innovative, lasting solutions. Women represent 58% of the U.S. professional workforce, yet just 35% of the STEM workforce, reflecting persistent barriers that limit who enters and advances in science. Launched in 2016, **Earthwatch Institute's** Girls in Science program helps young women overcome these barriers by immersing them in field-based conservation research, environmental learning, technical skill-building, and career mentorship from women scientists. Through hands-on scientific research, participants build the knowledge, confidence, and skills to pursue STEM pathways while developing a deeper understanding of the environmental challenges they will help solve. Girls in Science prioritizes access to students who face socioeconomic barriers: 95% of alumnae attended Title I schools, were eligible for free or reduced-price lunch, and/or were first-generation college students.



\$50

A stipend for field gear and supplies for one participant.

\$100

A share of travel between home and the program.

23 GIVE GIRLS THE POWER TO PLAY

CALIFORNIA, USA



\$225



Crowdfund to sponsor a full recreational season for one young athlete.

PHOTO CREDIT: ADP

Every girl deserves the chance to discover her potential, regardless of her family's income.

Alta Pasa Fastpitch removes financial barriers so young athletes can build confidence, leadership skills, and brighter futures through softball, mentorship, and education.

Serving youth in the Pasadena and Altadena communities, Alta Pasa provides affordable leagues, scholarships, equipment assistance, recruiting support, and free Community Academy training. In the wake of the devastating Eaton fires—which displaced families and claimed 19 lives—many of our athletes come from households still rebuilding. Since 2018, more than 85 players have gone on to compete in college softball, turning a love of the game into opportunities for higher education.

Your gift helps ensure that every child has access to quality coaching, positive role models, and the opportunity to succeed—on the field, in the classroom, and in life. Together, we can help more girls—especially those recovering from the fire's lasting impact—dream bigger, achieve more, and build a future filled with opportunity.



\$15

Sponsor one athlete for a Community Academy training session.

\$125

Sponsor one athlete for a full week of Community Academy training.

24 HELP DELTA COMMUNITIES THRIVE

THE DELTA, MS, USA



The Mississippi Delta's deep poverty is rooted in a long history of racial discrimination and slavery—barriers that have limited access to education, employment, housing, and healthcare for generations. **Partners In Development** (PID) walks alongside vulnerable families to create opportunities to learn, grow, and thrive.



PID's after-school tutoring program for 4th–12th graders gives students a safe place to study, along with access to a library, computers, and printing so they can keep up with schoolwork. The summer program provides academic support and daily enrichment activities that keep kids learning when school is out. Parents also gain pathways forward through GED classes, computer-skills training, and professional coaching.

A local clinic and PID's twice-yearly health fairs promote health education, nutrition, and exercise—helping families strengthen every area of life. Your support helps Delta families build brighter, more stable futures.

\$40

Job skills training for one person.

\$50

Food and tutoring for one student.

\$1,100



Crowdfund for a clinic visit for 10 people.



PHOTO CREDIT: PARTNERS IN DEVELOPMENT

25 UNLOCK EVERY CHILD'S POTENTIAL

USA



For many children, a quality education is often out of reach—not because they lack potential, but because they lack the resources to succeed. At **The Heart Channels**, actress Annie Potts and friends believe every child deserves the chance to learn, grow, and pursue their dreams.



Your generosity provides tuition assistance, tutoring, school supplies, technology, college scholarships, and specialized support for children with special needs. These resources give students the tools, confidence, and opportunities they need to thrive in school and beyond.

Every gift opens the door to opportunity, helping children break the cycle of poverty and build brighter futures for themselves, their families, and their communities.

Every child deserves the chance to learn. Every donation changes a life.

\$50

School supplies for a child.

\$100

Provides school lunches for a month.

\$500

Helps supply a child with an iPad or computer.



PHOTO CREDIT: THE HEART CHANNELS, ANNIE POTTS

26 SAFE HOMES FOR ABUSED CHILDREN

CENTRAL KENTUCKY, USA



\$1,100



Crowdfund to provide a child with a CASA volunteer for one year.

PHOTO CREDIT: CASA OF LEXINGTON

All children deserve happy, healthy childhoods. Unfortunately, thousands are abused and neglected by their caretakers every year. These children feel forgotten and afraid, lost in a complex, slow-moving system. They can be moved multiple times in a matter of months. They might have siblings they are bonded with but never get to see. All the adults in their lives can change without notice.

You can give a child hope and stability by providing them with a **Court-Appointed Special Advocate** (CASA) volunteer. Each CASA volunteer visits their child monthly and stays in their life no matter what until their case closes. CASA volunteers speak up when a child needs something, ensuring they cannot fall through the cracks.

Your gift will provide more CASA volunteers so more children can return to safe, permanent homes faster.



\$50

Cover the cost for a CASA volunteer to visit a child.

\$100

Cover the cost of one training class for a new CASA volunteer.

27 COMFORT CUB FOR CHILDREN IN CRISIS USA



\$5,500



Crowdfund to provide Comfort Cubs and support materials for 100 people.



PHOTO CREDIT: THE COMFORT CUB

When the unimaginable happens—the death of a child or parent, sexual abuse, or domestic violence—there are no words that can ease that kind of pain. But there can be comfort.

The Comfort Cub provides immediate, tangible relief in moments when a heart is breaking.

One in five children between the ages of two and five will experience domestic violence or abuse. For them, trauma lives in the body. The Comfort Cub—a therapeutic, weighted teddy bear—has been clinically proven to reduce the physical symptoms of grief, helping calm the nervous system and offer a sense of safety after overwhelming loss.

Therapists see the impact every day. As one shared, “I have no words for the level of therapeutic care this weighted bear has provided.”

Created after our Founder’s own devastating loss, The Comfort Cub now brings hope to others.



\$25

Support 25 kits of materials for young victims of abuse/trauma.

\$50

A Comfort Cub bear for a trauma survivor.

28 BIKES CAN BECOME LIFELINES

AFRICA



In rural Africa, distance decides everything—whether a child gets an education, whether a mother reaches a clinic in time, whether a family can earn enough to survive. With no public transportation and no hope of affording a car, people walk for miles under the heat of the sun. Children leave before dawn and return after dark, exhausted from hours on foot. Opportunities slip away simply because they cannot get where they need to go.

bicycles4humanity

A bicycle changes that instantly. A bike gets someone to school, work, or a clinic four times faster, carrying three times the load. For a child walking more than an hour each way, a bike turns a two-hour journey into minutes—restoring energy, dignity, and possibility.

Bicycles for Humanity collects donated bikes across Colorado and delivers them to 12 community-run shops in Africa. With 25,000 bikes shipped since 2008, we are transforming lives—one bike at a time.

\$40

Ship 1 bike.

\$110

Ship 3 bikes.

\$150

A mechanic's tool kit.



\$1,100



Crowdfund to supply a year's worth of tires, tubes, and spare parts.

PHOTO CREDIT: BICYCLES 4 HUMANITY - CO

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SAFE BIRTH FOR EVERY MOTHER

GLOBAL



For women in the remote Western Highlands of Guatemala, reaching maternal healthcare can mean traveling hours over mountainous roads without reliable transportation or access to timely, safe care. Indigenous women face significantly higher risks during pregnancy and childbirth and are three times as likely to die from related complications.



Global Communities

For more than 25 years, **Global Communities'** Casa Materna has provided expectant and postpartum mothers with a safe place to stay near skilled care. The program offers prenatal and postpartum services, gynecological care, nutrition support, emergency referrals, and culturally respectful care through partnerships with Mayan midwives, or comadronas, and Indigenous health professionals.

Casa Materna has helped more than 125,000 women access essential maternal healthcare and supported tens of thousands of safer deliveries. Remarkably, no mother receiving care at the facility has ever been lost.

Your gift helps mothers and babies receive the care, support, and dignity they deserve.

\$25

Provides nutritious meals and essential supplies during her stay.

\$50

Provides prenatal care, screenings, and health education.

\$100

Supports safe lodging and care for women from remote communities.



\$1,500

Crowdfund to support lifesaving care, local health professionals, and Mayan midwives.



PHOTO CREDIT: GLOBAL COMMUNITIES

30

SAFE SHELTER AND NOURISHING MEALS

USA

**\$1,500**

Crowdfund to stock a food and hygiene pantry or community clothing closet.

PHOTO CREDIT: VLADIMIR VLADIMIROV/ISTOCK

Millions of Americans are struggling to meet their most basic needs. In 2024, 44 million people lived in food-insecure households—the highest number in more than a decade—and 17% of families with children faced food insecurity. At the same time, more than 800,000 Americans experienced homelessness, including a record number of families living in unstable conditions. Cuts to federal assistance programs have left food banks and shelters overwhelmed as demand continues to rise.

Through **Alternative Gifts International**, this cause provides food, shelter, clothing, and essential hygiene items to people fighting to regain stability. Your gift ensures families have what every human deserves: safety, nourishment, and dignity. Your generosity becomes the lifeline that helps them rebuild.

**\$50**

One night of shelter.

\$100

Food for a family of four for one week.

31 TREES, LIVESTOCK AND LIVELIHOODS HAITI

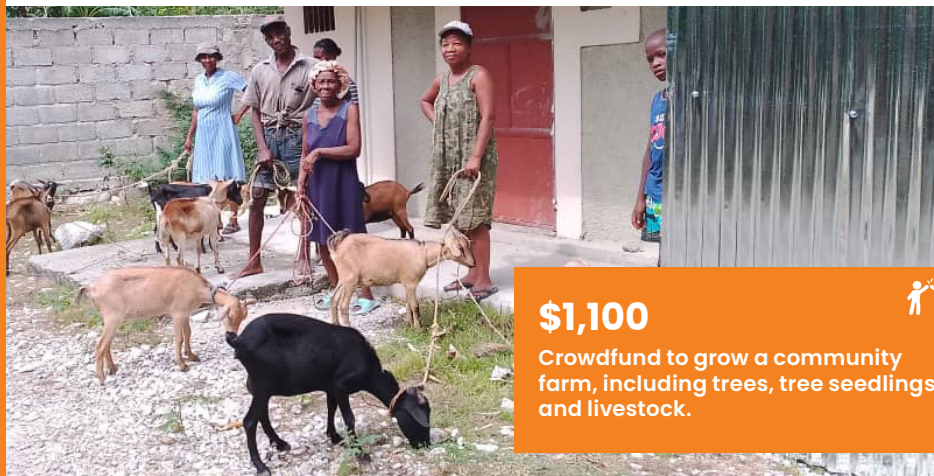


PHOTO CREDIT: QUIXOTE CENTER

In the rural communities of Gouin and Sainte-Hélène in southern Haiti, farming families own land but often lack the resources to plant, raise healthy livestock, or earn enough to meet basic needs. Through

Haiti Reborn, Quixote Center and DCCH are helping 100 families increase food production, strengthen household income, and build lasting self-reliance. Farmers receive training in sustainable agriculture, livestock care, and business practices, while women gain access to community savings groups that support small enterprises and greater financial independence.

Tree seedlings and animals are provided through a community loan model: participating families pass along the first offspring and new seedlings to other families, allowing the impact to grow from household to household. Your gift helps families cultivate their land, protect against climate-related losses, improve food security, and create a more stable future rooted in dignity, opportunity, and community leadership.



\$25

Plant two plantain seedlings.

\$50

Plant five coconut seedlings.

\$100

Give a goat or sheep.

32 A VETERANS PLACE TO CALL HOME

USA



Veteran homelessness affects every U.S. community. Every night, over 30,000 Veterans sleep on the streets of the country they served while more live in cars, camps, or on couches. Veterans are 50% more likely to become homeless than those who have not served.

At **Veterans Community Project**, we serve all Veterans regardless of their length of service or discharge status and believe dignity lives in the details. That's why our 240-square-foot tiny homes are thoughtfully designed for Veterans. Beyond housing, we use a unique case management framework—called the H.O.M.E.S. Index—to create personalized plans that help each Veteran overcome their barriers and work toward individual goals.

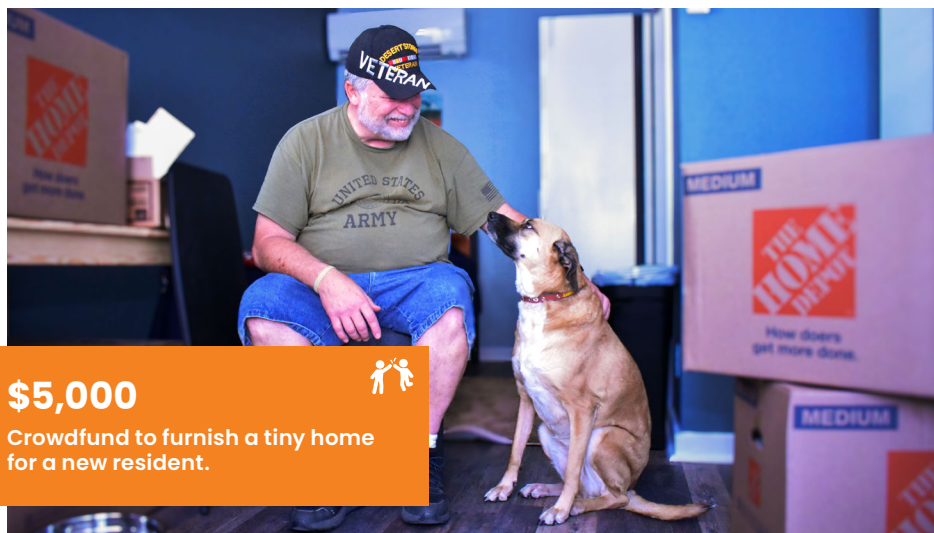
This approach works: 85% of Veterans who stay in our Villages successfully move on to sustainable permanent housing. And it's only possible because of our community. By relying on private donations, VCP has the freedom to do what it takes to fix Veteran homelessness.

\$50

A week of gas to get to work.

\$400

A month of groceries for a resident Veteran.



\$5,000



Crowdfund to furnish a tiny home for a new resident.

PHOTO CREDIT: VETERANS COMMUNITY PROJECT

33 EQUIP ENTREPRENEURS TO THRIVE

GLOBAL



Hope International partners with hardworking entrepreneurs around the world, equipping families with the tools they need to rise out of poverty through sustainable, Christ-centered economic opportunity. Your generosity fuels access to small loans, savings groups, and business training that help parents grow stable enterprises, increase income, and build resilience for the future.



Each gift you give strengthens a family's ability to provide for their children, invest in their community, and pursue long-term security with dignity. Rather than offering short-term aid, you're empowering lasting transformation—helping families move from vulnerability to confidence and from dependence to hope. Your support creates a ripple effect that continues for generations, proving that when donors invest in potential, entire communities flourish.

\$40

Help a parent join a community savings group to build financial stability.

\$100

Equip an emerging entrepreneur with business training and tools.



\$1,000

Crowdfund to empower an entire savings group or cohort of emerging entrepreneurs.



PHOTO CREDIT: HOPE INTERNATIONAL

34 CLIMATE SMART FARMING SOLUTIONS

EGYPT



In rural Egypt, small farmers face a daily crisis: water is scarce, electricity is unreliable, and the cost of diesel generators drains what little income they earn. Yet Egypt is also one of the sunniest places on earth, holding the power to transform their future.

With your support, small farmers can replace wasteful flood irrigation and polluting diesel pumps with solar-powered drip irrigation systems that deliver water directly to plant roots, saving precious water and generating clean, free energy. These systems can last up to 20 years, giving families long-term stability and protecting fragile aquifers.

Your gift to **HANDS** equips farmers with the tools and training they need to grow more food, earn more income, and build climate-resilient communities—while U.S. experts help strengthen knowledge and connection across borders.



\$1,500

Crowdfund to install a water pump to serve three small farms.



PHOTO CREDIT: HANDS

\$50

A share of a drip irrigation system for one small farm.

\$150

A share of a solar-powered drip irrigation system for one small farm.

35 GROW PERENNIAL AGRICULTURE

USA



PHOTO CREDIT: THE LAND INSTITUTE

The Land Institute leads a global movement to transform agriculture by developing perennial crops and farming systems that work with nature. Modern agriculture depends on annual grain crops that require yearly tillage, driving soil erosion, water pollution, biodiversity loss, and climate change. Founded in 1976, The Land Institute has helped advance perennial grain agriculture from a concept into a growing global field of research. Today, our scientists and partners develop perennial grains, legumes, and oilseeds through plant breeding, ecology, and global collaboration. We also advance commercialization and social science to understand the ecological, cultural, and economic conditions needed for perennial agriculture to succeed. Together with research partners around the world, The Land Institute works for a future in which humanity and nature flourish together as a collaborative system, where diverse perennial crops cover our farmlands and build healthy soil, water, and communities.



\$25

Accelerate perennial crop research.

\$100

Grow the perennial agriculture movement.

\$250

Advance the global roadmap for perennial agriculture.

36

CLEAN COOKING FOR HEALTHIER FAMILIES

HONDURAS



Every day, millions of women and children breathe toxic smoke just to cook a meal. In Honduras, families rely on open-fire cooking—filling their homes with dangerous fumes that cause chronic illness and contribute to 4.1 million premature deaths each year. The demand for firewood also strips nearby forests, pushing vulnerable communities deeper into crisis.

You can change this.

A Justa clean cookstove cuts smoke dramatically, uses 50–70% less firewood, and reduces 3 metric tons of carbon emissions every year. Built locally, each stove also creates jobs and strengthens Honduran families.

Your gift to **Trees, Water & People** brings clean air into a family's home, protects children's lungs, and preserves the forests they depend on. One stove can transform a household for more than a decade.

No one should risk their life to cook a meal. Your gift brings safety, health, and hope.



TREES, WATER & PEOPLE
Helping people and the planet

\$25

Builds one safe Justa cookstove.

\$65

A clean cookstove kit and installation for one family.

\$650



Crowdfund to train a local leader to become a certified stovebuilder.



PHOTO CREDIT: TREES, WATER & PEOPLE

37 FRUIT TREES FOR FOOD SECURITY USA



The Giving Grove helps communities grow fresh, healthy food right where it's needed most. By planting neighborhood orchards filled with fruit trees, nut trees, and berry beds, we partner with local residents to create long-lasting sources of nutritious food in areas with limited access to fresh produce.



These orchards do far more than feed families. They expand tree canopy, cool neighborhoods, improve air quality, and create welcoming green spaces where people gather, learn, and build community. With training, resources, and long-term support from The Giving Grove, each orchard is designed to thrive for decades.

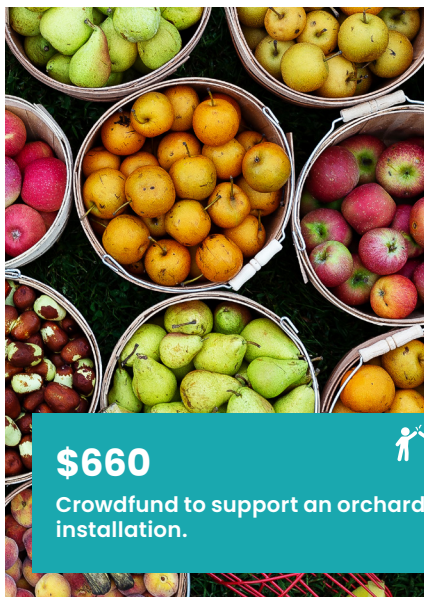
Your gift can plant a fruit tree, establish a berry bed, or help create an entire community orchard. Every living gift strengthens neighborhoods, increases access to fresh food, and nourishes families for generations.

\$50

Donate a fruit tree.

\$150

Donate a berry bed.



\$660

Crowdfund to support an orchard installation.



PHOTO CREDIT: THE GIVING GROVE

38 GIVE A LITTLE BIT TO EVERYONE

GLOBAL



\$5,000

Crowdfund to support all causes a whole lot.



PHOTO CREDIT: SASINT/ADOBE STOCK

When you care about many causes and don't want to choose just one, this option lets your generosity reach across the entire catalog. Your donation—or the redemption of a gift card—supports a balanced mix of programs that uplift children, families, and communities through education, health, housing, food security, arts, sports, and more. By giving a little to everyone, you help nonprofits deliver tutoring, meals, shelter, mentorship, medical care, and opportunities that change lives every day. This flexible choice ensures that every partner receives meaningful support, strengthening the collective impact of your gift. For donors who want to make a difference everywhere, this is a simple, powerful way to help many missions at once and ensure hope, opportunity, and dignity are shared as widely as possible.

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\$200

Support all causes a little bit.

\$400

Support all causes a little bit more.

39 FILL THE GAP. FUEL THE IMPACT.

GLOBAL



Every cause in our catalog represents real people—children waiting for meals, students hoping for a chance at school, mothers striving to lift their families out of poverty. Yet some causes receive less attention than others, leaving critical needs unmet and limiting the impact nonprofits can make.



The **Fill the Gap. Fuel the Impact Fund** ensures that no worthy program is left behind. When a cause is underfunded, fewer families receive food, fewer children stay in school, and fewer communities get the support they depend on. This fund steps in to close those gaps—directing help where it is needed most.

Your gift also opens doors for nonprofits that lack the resources to participate in our **Charity Visibility Program**, giving them access to donor exposure, marketing support, and the platform they need to grow their mission. By fueling visibility, you help smaller or emerging organizations reach new supporters and strengthen their long-term sustainability.

Your generosity becomes a lifeline—expanding the reach of under-supported causes, elevating nonprofits that need a boost, and ensuring more people receive essential aid.

Every cause deserves the chance to make a difference.

Your support makes that possible.

\$50

One share to help fuel a nonprofit mission.



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