

OUR MISSION

AGI is a non-profit organization that inspires support for humanitarian and environmental Causes. We offer donors the option to designate charitable gifts through carefully selected agencies in the name of their relatives, friends and associates.

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2020-21
GIFT CATALOG

DEAR FRIENDS,

Despite the challenges 2020 has presented, you have continued to support people in need. When the news of COVID broke, AGI immediately sought to assist where we could. We reached out to our supporters to learn about their community needs, and we responded with grants to 16 food pantries. Your gifts made that possible.

But for those already living in poverty, the outbreak has compounded their problems. The ripple effect of this global pandemic is causing food insecurity in many regions, mostly due to supply chain disruption.

The good news is, we've carefully selected Causes that give you an opportunity to do something about it! This 2020-21 catalog presents new and interesting Causes to gift in honor of loved ones. There are many ways to engage: Start an online fundraiser (see page E), host a gift market (see page C), or send an alternative e-gift or by mail (page B) for any special occasion. It is really that easy to improve the world! I encourage you to visit our website at alternativegifts.org and review our most recent Impact Report to see how changing how you gift, actually changes lives.

Your gifts bring justice, dignity and peace to those struggling against a tide of poverty and suffering. Together we can create a positive change. Thank you for having a heart to give in a more meaningful way.

Peace,



Surinder Moore
Executive Director

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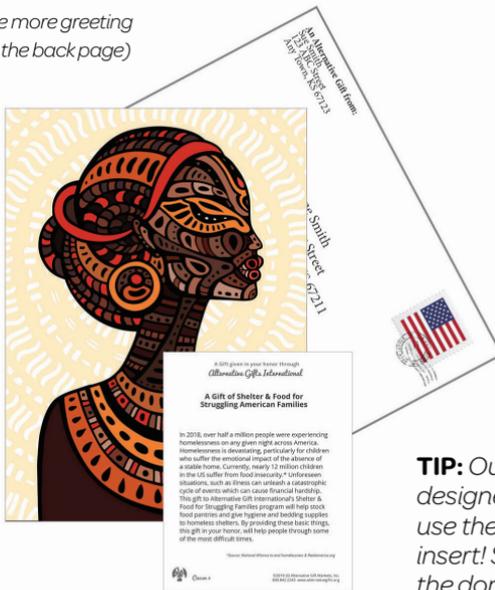
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WHAT IS AN ALTERNATIVE GIFT?

Your anniversary, your friend's birthday, a graduation, wedding or new baby—any gift occasion is perfect to gift alternatively! An alternative gift is a donation that helps people out of poverty, or helps our environment. There are a variety of 30 unique Causes to give a gift in honor of someone. Start changing the world by changing how you gift!

Sample gift. (See more greeting card designs on the back page)



TIP: Our pages are designed so you can use them as your gift insert! Simply cut off the donation levels.

How to Order a Gift

1. Browse the catalog
2. Select your Cause(s)
3. Choose a Greeting Card (see back page). Tell us where to send the card and gift insert!



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Online
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WHAT IS AN ALTERNATIVE GIFT MARKET?

An Alternative Gift Market is a fundraiser that helps your local community and our global friends as well! Local markets are typically held in community spaces and feature booths where donors can “shop” and support various Causes. They choose Causes from this catalog, and receive handmade gift ornaments that represent the Causes they donated to.

**Email us for a free
Gift Market
information packet!**

agi@alternativegifts.org



Alternative Gifts’ staff and seasoned market volunteers are available to guide you through each step. Also, our free information packet will walk you through the different types of markets: multi-congregational market, service learning market, virtual market, business open house event, catalog markets or family fundraiser! There are no limits to the different ways you can unite, engage and do good.

Increase your market impact with our online fundraiser tool! (See page E)

Ask us how you can create an online fundraiser in a few simple steps **Call 800.842.2243**

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Unite, Engage & Do Good!

By hosting an Alternative Gift Market you can also support your local food pantry or shelter programs.

Find out how - Call: 800.842.2243

AGI's Commitment: 90% of each donated dollar is directed to the cause as described on the catalog page. AGI is a fully accredited with the Better Business Bureau.



CREATE YOUR ONLINE FUNDRAISER

Our crowdfund tool allows you to create an online fundraiser to raise money for Causes you believe in. There are 30 great Causes to pick from and invite others to give.



Students, churches, businesses, families... anyone can start a crowdfund. Simply browse the Causes, then in a few minutes you can create your fundraiser page and start changing the world!

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IMPROVE LIVES IN 3 EASY STEPS

Also, if you're hosting an on-the-ground gift market, set up a crowdfund to give people another way to support your market!



1. Choose Your Causes

Learn about the Causes at alternativegifts.org/giving/gifting/causes before selecting them for your crowdfund



2. Create Your Page

Start your personal or organizational crowdfund here alternativegifts.org/giving/crowdfunding



3. Invite People To Support Your Fundraiser

Promote your crowdfund by sharing the link provided through email, social media or text message.

READY TO START YOUR CROWDFUND?

Call 800.842.2243 if you have any questions, or visit alternativegifts.org to get started!

DOES YOUR EMPLOYER OFFER GIFT MATCHING?



Many companies will match employee charitable gift contributions and team fundraisers.

Your gift or crowdfund campaign can have **DOUBLE** the impact when your company agrees to match the donation! Request a matching gift form from your Human Resources department, and we will do the rest.

Complete your portion of the form and mail it to:

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LEAVE A *Legacy...*

Provide a means to impact the future beyond your lifetime, by making a charitable gift through your will.

You can:

- Leave a legacy
- Endow AGI's mission
- Enjoy lower current and/or estate taxes
- Generate income for you or protect assets for your heirs

For more info. contact:
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REASONS TO GIVE!

In addition to birthdays, anniversaries, and graduation, there are so many International days to celebrate and give a gift in honor of someone.

JULY

- 11 World Population Day
- 15 World Youth Skills Day
- 18 Nelson Mandela International Day
- 30 International Day of Friendship
- 30 World Day against Trafficking in Persons

AUGUST

- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
- 19 World Humanitarian Day
- 23 International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition

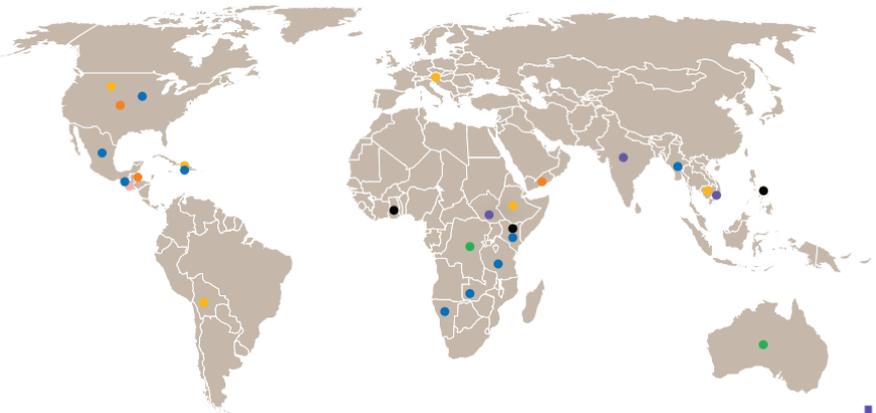
SEPTEMBER

- 5 International Day of Charity
- 8 International Literacy Day
- 16 International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer
- 21 International Day of Peace

OCTOBER

- 2 International Day of Non-Violence
- 2 (first Monday in October) World Habitat Day
- 5 World Teachers' Day
- 11 International Day of the Girl Child
- 15 International Day of Rural Women
- 16 World Food Day
- 17 International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

Visit alternativegifts.org for the full calendar



1 a Gift of HUNGER RELIEF YEMEN



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FOOD FOR HUMANITY

The war in Yemen unleashed a humanitarian crisis. Civilians are fleeing violence, their homes have been destroyed, and there is a devastating famine looming. Twenty-million Yemenis are currently food and water insecure. The war has claimed thousands of lives and blockades continue to make humanitarian aid responses difficult.

Through the Food4Humanity program, our partner **MADRE** is addressing the emergency food crisis while laying the groundwork to help families rebuild, restore, and grow their own food. Together, they are empowering grassroots women leaders on the frontlines of this crisis to advocate for a just and sustainable future.

Supports hunger relief for Yemeni families **\$17**

Construct a solar paneled greenhouse **\$44**

HOST A FUNDRAISER!

Farming tools & equipment for a village **\$1160**



a Gift of **HUNGER RELIEF**
GLOBAL

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HUNGER HEROES

More than 800 million people in the world do not have enough food to live healthy, active lives. Haiti and Nicaragua are the two poorest countries in the Western Hemisphere, and they are suffering from chronic hunger, but you can help.

Our partner, **Numana**, was founded with the sole purpose of empowering people to serve the hungry by facilitating food packaging events where volunteers pack simple, nutritious, economical meals. The meals consist of balanced, nutrition-rich foods which have a blend of vitamins and minerals targeted to help the immune system of malnourished people. You can be a Hunger Hero to a child in need by giving the gift of food.

\$30 Feeds a child for 3 months

\$120 Feeds a child for 1 year

\$500 Feeds a family for 1 year

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*Suggested gift amount.
Any donation is appreciated.*



FEED THE HUNGRY, SHELTER THE HOMELESS

Currently, ***37 million people face food insecurity in the U.S. — including more than 11 million children and nearly 5.4 million seniors.**



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There are no boundaries when it comes to hunger and homelessness—it has impacted every part of the USA. During troublesome times, the most vulnerable communities face even more hardship. Homelessness is devastating, particularly for children who suffer the emotional impact of the absence of a stable home. Unforeseen situations, such as job loss and illness, can unleash a catastrophic cycle of events which can cause financial struggles. A gift to **Alternative Gifts International's** Feed the

Hungry, Shelter the Homeless program will help stock food pantries and give hygiene and bedding supplies to homeless shelters.

**Source Feed America*

HOST A FUNDRAISER!

One night's shelter for 1 person **\$15**

Groceries for a family (of 4) for a week **\$55**

Stock the shelves of a food pantry or shelter **\$1000**



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START A KITCHEN GARDEN!

Nelson, a young Honduran farmer and father of three, used to burn his land each year and used chemicals heavily, as he had learned from the older generation. Over time, he saw the health of his family and farm deteriorating, with decreasing harvests and increasing need for chemicals.

With help from **Sustainable Harvest International**, Nelson started using natural fertilizers, crop rotation, and other techniques. With these changes, he now cultivates two acres of corns and beans, and a kitchen garden. He has planted over 9,500 shade, food, and timber trees—increasing earning potential for his family and supporting soil health. Now Nelson can provide for his family and know his land will continue to thrive for many years to come.

\$33 Seeds, materials, and training to establish a kitchen garden

\$83 Start a fruit-bearing tree nursery

\$1650 Plant an acre of trees

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BREAD & BOOKS

Roma children (known as Gypsies in Hungary) need help with the most basic necessities—food, fuel, shelter. Your support to the **Hungarian Evangelical Fellowship** (HEF) provides bread and books for these children including many who are orphaned and homeless. Roma are currently the most persecuted minority in Hungary with rural unemployment rates of up to 80%. HEF provides food, shelter, health services, and education for more than 2,500 Roma children.

Your gift will provide a child three meals a day on school days and a book bag to carry school supplies and food. You can also provide food for the weekends, so the students and their families don't go hungry, and will help these children survive and thrive.

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A bookbag, school supplies & lunch (one student) **\$6**

A weekend food backpack (feeds a family of 5) **\$13**

A full weeks food for 25 families **\$1075**



LEARN & GROW

Schools in Haiti have previously shunned any classroom connection with agriculture learning themes. **Beyond Borders** is rethinking this approach, integrating agriculture into the classroom and teaching students critical-thinking skills that they can use to thrive and build better lives for themselves where they live, without having to migrate to the city. Students learn how to grow vegetables and fruit in their school gardens, which supply school lunch programs, boost school revenue, and provide a hands-on learning experience. Through school gardens, students learn agricultural science and mathematics, including techniques to improve yield and mitigate drought driven by climate change. When children learn these new skills they are able to thrive and build better lives for themselves.



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- \$26** One share of a school garden
- \$260** Seeds & tools to cultivate a school garden
- \$780** Start an Agriculture program in 3 schools

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SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR KIDS

Many families living in the Bolivian Andes Mountains earn less than \$2.00 a day. They believe educating their children is their only escape from poverty. Sadly, children cannot attend school unless their parents can afford to purchase school supplies for them. The required annual supplies cost an average of \$35 per child; which is often an impossible burden for families with multiple school-aged children.

Mano a Mano collects usable, often new, school supplies that are abandoned in U.S. students' lockers at the end of each school year. Volunteers pack and ship these supplies to Bolivia, where they are distributed to children in need. Once they have the needed supplies, parents can send their children to school.

HOST A FUNDRAISER!

Send 100 packets of school supplies **\$6**

Send 500 packets of school supplies **\$33**

Send 10,000 pounds of school supplies **\$11000**



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SOLAR SUITCASES FOR TRIBAL SOVEREIGNTY

Native Americans face challenges in accessing a quality education, healthcare and employment opportunities. The Solar Warrior Empowerment Training (SWET) program through **Trees, Water & People** provides STEM-based solar workshops for Native American youth in Tribal schools. The workshops build leadership skills and stress the importance of teamwork in resolving complex problems. The program goals include: honoring Tribal lands and sovereignty, teaching the benefits of solar energy for Native American communities, and empowering their youth through social-emotional development.

\$55 STEM Curriculum for 1 class

\$110 A Share of a solar suitcase

\$1750 Teaching materials & 8 solar suitcases

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DONKEY CART LIBRARIES

In Ethiopia, children face a double educational challenge in achieving genuine literacy. Even if a child is learning to read, there are limited books available to read in local languages beyond textbooks, and libraries are very scarce or poorly equipped. Additionally, it is estimated that 45 percent of Ethiopians over the age of 15, still cannot read.

Ethiopia Reads' library programs—which seek to expose children and their parents to books and reading practices and culture—include various activities, such as: Donkey and Horse Cart Libraries, Children's Reading Festivals, Family Literacy Days and more. Through your gift, children get access to attractive local language books, which enable them to embrace the joy of reading and feel the power of independent learning.

Deliver 30 books **\$15**

Deliver 150 books **\$70**

Stock a Mobile Library **\$825**

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EDUCATE TODAY, HOPE FOR TOMORROW

A primary cause of generational poverty is the lack of access to quality education. Children who start school with no educational foundation are at a disadvantage from the start and find it very difficult to catch up. Teach for Life (a program of **Trees for Life**) aims to spark a worldwide grassroots movement of people sharing knowledge and learning from each other to better educate children, thus creating hope for the world. The program offers simple video lessons teaching parents how everyday interactions can be turned into learning moments. Adapted to local languages, these videos help parents give their children a head-start in learning, paving the way for a brighter future.

\$25 Educate a child

\$50 Educate 2 children

\$500 Educate 20 children

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SHOES & SCHOOL CLOTHES FOR RURAL STUDENTS!

In Sokhem village in Cambodia, only eight percent of the 118 village children were enrolled in school when **Love Without Boundaries (LWB)** became involved in 2016. Now enrollment has risen to 80 percent. Previously most children lacked safe access to education due to extreme poverty and the threat of child trafficking. LWB has been working to change that by supplying shoes, uniforms and tuk-tuks. Safe access to education means not only the chance to learn, but also increased nutrition through the school lunch program and necessary medical care provided by the village medic, helping to transform the lives of children and their community.

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School shoes for one child **\$18**

Two uniforms for a child **\$28**

1 tuk-tuk (3-wheeled school transportation) **\$4400**



FUTURE NURSES FOR VIETNAM

Nurses are in higher demand than ever, but there is one main barrier for many rural Vietnamese girls who desire to pursue a medical career: poverty. **ConnectMed** provides tuition assistance and textbooks for rural students in need. When this burden is lifted, they are able to focus on becoming nurses and giving back to their communities.



CREDIT: ConnectMed

SUCCESS STORY

Phan Thi Van Hoai, is a 20 year-old nursing student from Hue. Her father works as a farmer to provide for their family of 7. Her mother cannot work because she takes care of Phan's youngest sibling who has a chronic illness. The **ConnectMed** scholarship allowed Phan to focus on her academics, and as a thriving second year student, she's giving back locally by comforting cancer patients and visiting orphans.

\$33 Textbooks for 5 students

\$55 One Month of nursing tuition

\$275 Five Months of nursing tuition

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MANIFESTING DREAMS THROUGH LOANS

Ajma dreamed of helping her husband support their growing family outside of Kolkata, India. An initial \$55 micro-loan from **PEER Servants**, and other micro-loans that followed, helped her achieve that dream. She now has a tailoring business with seven sewing machines, which employs eleven people and provides for her family. She never wanted a handout—just a hand up—and that is exactly what the micro-loans provided. Micro-loans are a proven strategy to help the poor develop their ideas into businesses that can help a mom or dad put food on their family's table, send their children to school, create much-needed jobs, and transform their communities. Micro-loans turn dreams into reality.

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One share of a micro-loan **\$55**

One starter micro-loan **\$110**

Micro-loans for 5 entrepreneurs **\$550**



WATER WELLS FOR HER FUTURE

Providing access to clean, fresh water for villages allows young girls to attend school, because they no longer have to spend their days gathering water for their families. A clean water source also allows women to go to work, giving them the ability to pay for their children's education. When girls become educated and when women



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"Life was so bad because we do drink from unprotected water sources. Distance was so long, sometimes you may fail to get water on time, which resulted in sleeping without food and taking a bath." - Mathiang

are empowered, they are more financially stable—which is a step towards gender equality. **Water for South Sudan** unites differing tribes in

the process of installing wells. With each well installed, WASH (Water Sanitation and Hygiene) training for villagers is also provided.

\$55 One water pump

\$110 Water well piping (drilling, equipment, pump)

\$550 WASH training for a village

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SEAMSTRESS TRAINING FOR THE OUTCAST



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The Dalit caste of India face severe discrimination in every level of society. Dalits are serious about their desire to learn a skill since their social class limits their vocational options; they are expected to do the most menial and hard labor jobs. Through the **India Partners** Seamstress Training Program, women are able to learn a trade that provides dignity. After graduation they are equipped with a sewing machine and given guidance to ensure income stability. Moreover, a home-based business, such as sewing, enables a mother to care for her children while being at home, earn a decent wage, and even save a little money by making the family's clothes. Your gift will provide a new lease on life for women and their families.

A month of seamstress training **\$22**

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A sewing machine for a new graduate **\$110**

Sewing machines for 10 women **\$1100**



CARE FOR MAYAN MOTHERS-TO-BE

Indigenous Mayan women, who suffer from the highest levels of poverty and poorest birth outcomes, account for nearly 75 percent of maternal deaths in Central America. Lack of resources in rural areas means low birthweight newborns often don't receive the special care required to keep them alive.

Project Concern International's trained midwives have supported 100,000 Mayan women during pregnancies with medical evaluations, delivery services and medicine, and parenting education, significantly reducing complications and maternal deaths. The program has increased the survival of low birthweight and premature newborns through its dedicated "Kangaroo Ward," where parents learn to breastfeed and use skin-to-skin contact to regulate body temperature and increase bonding. Your gift can significantly reduce complications and maternal deaths due to childbirth in Guatemala.



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\$22 A midwife visitation for an expectant mother

\$44 An ultrasound, lab work & prenatal care for an expectant mother

\$250 Full care for a new mom & her preemie baby

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A "COMFORT CUB" FOR TRAUMA THERAPY

When the unimaginable happens—such as the death of a child or parent—there are no words, there is only grief and trauma. We often feel helpless, not knowing what to do.

A Comfort Cub is a therapeutic, weighted teddy bear that symbolizes comfort, love and hugs. The Comfort Cub is clinically proven to reduce the manifestations of grief, help heal the feeling of a broken heart, and calm the body after trauma.



Comfort Cubs was created after the founder, Marcella Johnson, experienced the loss of her child, George. Her heart physically ached; which was a symptom of Takotsubo Syndrome (broken heart syndrome). Takotsubo Syndrome is the physical weakening to the left ventricle artery of the heart that can be caused by severe emotional trauma. Your gift helps relieve the feelings of grief and hopelessness for others.

Support materials for young victims of abuse/trauma (25 kits) **\$21**

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A Comfort Cub for a parent or child **\$39**

100 Comfort Cubs & support materials for a school **\$3850**



A GIFT OF MOBILITY FOR THE POOR

The World Health Organization estimates that 75 million children and adults worldwide need a wheelchair but cannot obtain one on their own. Without mobility, they may be hindered from pursuing an education, making a living, and participating in community. Also, when natural disasters or pandemics strike, it may be impossible for them to move away from danger or seek medical care.



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Some must crawl or be carried, like Flor (pictured), a 12-year-old in the rugged highlands of Peru who lost mobility as a toddler. When Flor outgrew her mother, she could no longer be carried and might have been forced to drop out of school had she not received a new wheelchair from **Free Wheelchair Mission**. The life-transforming gift of mobility empowers individuals like Flor with renewed dignity, independence, and hope.

\$88 Give 1 wheelchair

\$264 Give 3 wheelchairs

\$22000 Ship a container of wheelchairs

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MOBILE PHARMACY & COMMUNITY CLINICS



There are only six healthcare professionals for every 10,000 people in Haiti. Forty percent of Haiti's population has no access to healthcare and, for those living in rural communities, the nearest doctor can be hours away and be cost prohibitive.

Community Coalition for Haiti (CCH) takes healthcare directly to rural families through school-based clinics. These clinics provide preventative and curative healthcare to hundreds of children every school year. The lives of students have been transformed through these efforts! CCH also

provides health education in each community; training students, educators, and parents in priority health topics. By giving to this Cause, you ensure that thousands of children, women, and men have access to the healthy futures they deserve. You'll also help expand the school-based clinics and health education into new schools and partner communities!

Health check-ups with medicine for 3 rural school children **\$33**

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Stock a traveling pharmacy **\$110**

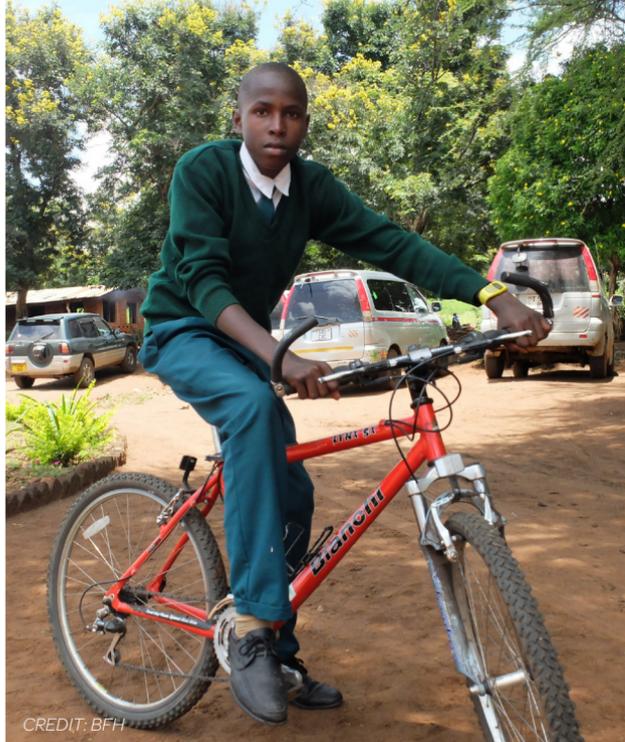
Healthcare and pharmacy for an entire community **\$1100**



TWO WHEELS = LIVES TRANSFORMED

One of the greatest impediments for access to healthcare, schooling, and economic opportunities is transportation. In rural villages of Africa, there is no alternative other than walking long distances. A bike radically changes that. A 10 km (over 6 miles) walk to the clinic to get critical life-saving medication takes 2 hours each way, while on a bike, it takes only 15 minutes. Children committed to gaining an education to break the cycle of poverty, walk hours to and from school only to return home exhausted and hungry. However, a bike once again is a game changer.

Bicycles for Humanity delivers 1,600-2,000 bikes annually to community-based bike shops. These shops are run by Africans, for Africans and all proceeds remain 100% in Africa. Your gift will transform more lives with transportation.



CREDIT: BFH

\$38 Sends one bike

\$110 Sends 3 bikes

\$8800 Ship a Container of bikes (400 bikes)

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BETTER VISION BRIGHTER FUTURE



Poor eyesight can prevent children from succeeding in school and adults from earning a living to support their families. The Better Vision-Brighter Future program through **International Relief Teams** trains volunteers and deploys them to rural communities to conduct vision tests and provide corrective glasses. Many residents, especially those living in remote mountainous villages, have little or no access to eyecare and suffer needlessly.

At 47 years old, Casta Lazaro (a seamstress) could no longer thread the needle on her sewing machine. Her sewing machine was her

livelihood. She was overjoyed when she received a pair of corrective eyeglasses. Now, she can continue to make her lovely garments from scratch to sell at the local market in order to support her four children.

One pair of eyeglasses for a child or adult **\$10**

Eyeglasses for 5 children or adults **\$50**

Eyeglasses for 2 whole classrooms of children **\$500**

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\$1 SAVES 40 LIVES

In Burma's jungles, the impact of the world's longest running civil war inflicts suffering upon children and women living in isolated locations.

In 2020-21, **Burma Humanitarian Mission** will support 30 backpack medic teams with 1.8 million doses of medicine caring for 75,000 people. Medic teams travel among isolated villages in Burma, to treat sick patients and provide mother-child care. The results are inspiring—maternal mortality has dropped 7-fold while infant mortality is down 80-fold! In addition, 60 percent of children's deaths are prevented with basic medicine.

SUCCESS STORY

A mother brought her malnourished 1-year old to the medics. The malnourished boy had pneumonia and was treated with antibiotics and fluids. Fortunately, this boy lived. With your gift, we can help more survive.



CREDIT: BHM

\$1 Gives 40 doses of medicine

\$7 Anti-Malarial treatment for an expectant mom

\$330 1-year's supply of medicine for a medic team

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CREDIT: IJM



FREE THEM FROM FORCED LABOR

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When a woman approached Esther's* parents claiming there was a family near the lake who would send their daughter to school, they allowed the woman to take her. But the promise of an education was a lie. Instead, Esther was enslaved when she was just six years old. Esther was held captive on a remote island with other children, forced to work on boats or prepare fish to sell at the market. In partnership with local authorities, **International Justice Mission** investigators rescued Esther, and today after 10 years in slavery, she is safe at an aftercare home while the trial against the woman who trafficked her is underway. She is finally getting an education and has the opportunity to freely play with her friends.

*A pseudonym

Send emergency care to a rescued child (food & medicine) **\$47**

HOST A FUNDRAISER!

Send an aftercare kit (hygiene items) for a rescued child **\$77**

Fund a complete anti-trafficking rescue operation **\$6300**



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REUNITE & RESTORE VULNERABLE CHILDREN

Expanding Opportunities has been managing a children's home for orphaned and vulnerable children in crises in Nakuru County, Kenya since 2000. The Reunite & Restore program aims to save children from emergency situations and offers immediate and long term services to children in crisis. Locating family members and reuniting children with extended family is an important part of this program. Providing follow-up and support is also a key part of a successful family reintegration. Both child and family are supported through the process. This program also gives the youth access to education, employment, and trauma counseling. When a child has an assured provision for love, housing, food, medical care, and education in a permanent home, she/he can begin to heal.

\$6 Provide 1 necessity item (shoes, a blanket, or clothes)

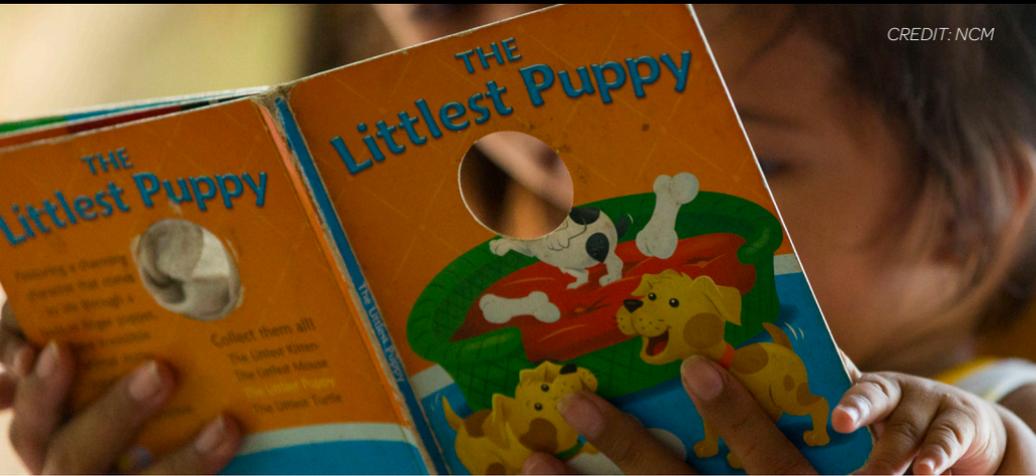
\$11 Provide 3 meals per day for one week

\$550 One month of basic needs & counseling for 3 children

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HEALING TRAFFICKED & EXPLOITED CHILDREN

Online Sexual Exploitation of Children, also known as cybersex, is a rapidly growing form of child trafficking. More than half of the victims are under 12; some are as young as 3. In at least 55 percent of cases, parents or relatives are involved in the exploitation of the children.

Nazarene Compassionate Ministries' Shechem Children's Home, provides a safe restorative environment for children rescued from online sexual exploitation. There is laughter and a level of noise that only comes from dozens of children all talking and playing together! There are also tears as the scars from their horrible experiences are deep. Operating as a therapeutic residential care and assessment center, Shechem provides extensive assessment and aftercare. Each child's need is unique and a network of therapists help them rebuild their lives one piece at a time.

Therapeutic activities for 1 rescued child (1 month) **\$17**

Clothes & toys for 1 rescued child **\$44**

Therapy & basic needs for 3 children for 1 month **\$605**

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MANAGE FIRES, PROTECT WILDLIFE HABITATS

The tropical savannas of northern Australia are a stretch of iconic landscapes of more than 300 million acres, and home to more than half of Australia's bird and mammal species. These landscapes have been managed for more than 60,000 years by Indigenous Australians. Unfortunately, since European settlement of Australia there has been a dramatic decline in populations of small mammals and birds across this area, with many species found nowhere else on Earth now at risk of extinction.

The Nature Conservancy works with Indigenous partners to combine traditional ecological knowledge with the latest in fire science to help deliver fire management programs across Australia. Indigenous rangers in northern and central Australia set strategically placed small fires at the right time of year, which burn cool and low. This recreates the mosaic pattern of burning that occurred prior to European settlement, which supports keeping habitats healthy for animals.



CREDIT: David O'Connor

Monjon (mother & joey)

\$83 Support conservation & fire management practices

\$165 Support fire management of 6,000 acres of land

\$5500 Fire management for 1 Indigenous community

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27 a Gift to the ENVIRONMENT DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (DRC)



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PLANTING FOR THE FUTURE

Limited access to clean water and sufficient and diverse food causes poor family nutrition and hygiene, and especially hurts young children. In Sub-Saharan Africa, one in 13 children die before age five.* **Plant With Purpose** works to empower rural farming families to rise from poverty by using sustainable agriculture techniques and community-led economic savings groups. In the words of Anastazie from Kakumba, DRC, "Before receiving training, production was low, bringing in little income, but now we are beginning to see good results. Before, my children ate once a day, but now my household eats two meals a day. I have taken a loan from our savings-and-loan group and paid the school fees for my children. I am happy to have Plant With Purpose in our watershed."

*Source: UNICEF

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Start an orchard (plants 15 trees) **\$17**

Agricultural training for 1 family **\$60**

Plant a forest (500 trees) **\$510**



SUPPORT WOMEN CLIMATE DEFENDERS!

Climate change is a global threat, and poor, rural and Indigenous women are hardest hit. They are severely impacted by food shortages, droughts, floods, and diseases linked to this growing danger. They are sources of solutions,

inventing innovative, locally-rooted responses that offer a blueprint for effective, global action. Yet their priorities, experiences, and knowledge are notably missing from economic and environmental policy making spaces.

MADRE partners with local women's organizations to take action against climate change. They are helping advance solutions like building clean water systems to guard against drought and seed banking to preserve future harvests. This grassroots effort provides a platform to raise women's voices to influence national and international climate policy discussions.



CREDIT: MADRE

\$7 A share of seeds for women farmers

\$24 Training for an Indigenous woman on farming practices

\$935 One "Climate Defenders" farming workshop

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BOOST AN UNDERFUNDED CAUSE

Every Cause in this catalog deserves an equal chance to grow and flourish. In reality though, some Causes just get overlooked. Cause 29 helps programs that didn't receive much support. In 2019, we boosted an environmental cause, allowing more than 220 young women to participate in a recycling program. Without the boost, only 80 women could participate. Your gift to this program will help all Causes have a fair chance to succeed.

One share boosts a Cause **\$20**



CREDIT: Kyle Glenn

SUPPORT OUR MISSION

AGI started 34 years ago with a mission to teach children about the broader value of giving back. An inspired youth ministry director and a group of children is where it all began. Harriet Prichard, AGI Founder, asked of them a simple question: "What can we do differently that would help people in need around the world?" The response was the birth of a creative and meaningful way to gift, which would transform lives on every continent. We continue the mission and more than ever, we need your help. Our dedicated volunteers and market hosts are key players in helping us deliver aid to the poorest of the poor. Our small staff works hard to build a catalog of Causes each year, and your gift of any amount is needed and appreciated.

\$25 One share to support our work

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"If you find it in your heart to care for someone else, you will have succeeded"
 - Maya Angelou

Artist: Brent M. Rosenberger



A19.
 Change the World
 Inside: A Simple Gift = Change



H18.
 Glory to the New Born King
 Inside: Blank

Artist: Denise Marie



A16.
 Nature
 Inside: Blank



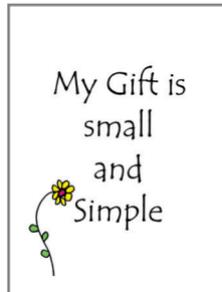
A7.
 Peace
 Inside: Blank



A1. Leaves
 Inside: One touch of nature makes the whole world kin. - William Shakespeare



A4. Blossoms
 Inside: This gift is but a tiny seed- a flowers tiny start. May it so bloom and flourish as to blossom in your heart



A5. Simple Gifts
 Inside: This gift is small and simple but it comes from the heart.

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