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# ON THE ROAD WITH CHILDREN INCORPORATED



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## Kids in New Mexico Can't Thank You Enough

Navajo children enrolled in our program are so thankful for your support! In the fall, Renée Kube, Director of U.S. Programs, visited our sponsored and unsponsored children in New Mexico, and found that many children at our affiliated schools live in remote areas down dirt roads that are difficult to access, especially after rain or snow. As a result, these children usually live in dorms at the schools they attend during the week.

Sponsorship enables these students to have items such as shampoo, toothpaste, detergent, bedding, and other living essentials while they are away from their families, as well as provides them with food to take home on the weekends.

Thank you for making a huge difference in their lives!



*Without their sponsors, kids wouldn't get the support they need to go to school.*

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## Our Back to School Fund in Action

*Last summer*, one of our volunteer coordinators in Eastern Kentucky, Gloria, noticed that seven-year-old Kevin's\* shoes were falling apart. Kevin told Gloria that his mom had tried to fix his shoes with tape when they fell apart, because she had no money to buy him new ones. Thanks to our Back to School Fund – and to you, our generous donors – by the time Kevin was ready to return to school in August, Gloria was able to get him a new pair of shoes and an outfit, as well as some school supplies. Kevin now has a sponsor who helps him each and every month by ensuring that he receives the basic items that he needs.

\*Name changed for child's protection.



*Kevin and his old shoes*

TO READ MORE STORIES FROM OUR PROJECTS IN KENTUCKY,  
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*Mary Wilson with CEO Ron Carter*

## We Welcome a New Sponsor: Legendary Singer Mary Wilson

Mary Wilson is a founding member of the most famous female singing group in history, The Supremes; and for over fifty years, she has been entertaining audiences throughout the world. Ms. Wilson is also known for her charitable work, and in 2003, she was named U.S. Cultural Ambassador by former U.S. Secretary of State, Colin Powell.

Ms. Wilson has sponsored children in the past with other organizations, and says she found those experiences to be quite enjoyable. Now, she is sponsoring a little girl in her hometown of Detroit, Michigan through Children Incorporated. She says she looks very forward not only to assisting the child, but also to helping bring awareness to the life-changing work that we do. We welcome Ms. Wilson to the Children Incorporated family!

WANT TO KNOW OTHER WAYS YOU  
CAN SUPPORT CHILDREN IN NEED?

- Share brochures about our work with your family, friends, club, or church
- Send an email with our web address to your email contacts
- Consider a partnership with Children Incorporated through your company or corporation



Desiree with U.S. Projects Specialist, Shelley Oxenham

## Kids in New Orleans Love Their Sponsors!

Students at Schaumburg Elementary School in New Orleans, including Desiree\*, love their sponsors. On a recent trip to visit our affiliated projects in New Orleans, U.S. Projects Specialist, Shelley Oxenham, met Desiree. Desiree has a wonderful sponsor who sends her letters, pictures, and postcards from her travels that open her eyes to the world outside of her neighborhood. At the beginning of each school year, Desiree's sponsor makes her a picture book so that she can see and learn about new places. We are so grateful for the investment that sponsors make in the lives of their sponsored children.

\*Name changed for child's protection.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I would like to make a donation to Children Incorporated: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I would like to give an additional gift to my sponsored child: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I would like to sponsor a child with the greatest need.

☐ U.S. ☐ International ☐ Boy ☐ Girl

I would like to pay for my sponsorship:

☐ Monthly (\$30) ☐ Quarterly (\$90)

☐ Semi-annually (\$180) ☐ Yearly (\$360)

☐ Please send me information about leaving a legacy gift to Children Incorporated through my will or bequest.

Account Number \_\_\_\_\_

☐ PAY BY CREDIT CARD ☐ PAY BY CHECK (ENCLOSED)

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please update my information:

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_



*Kayla has new glasses, thanks to our donors.*

## Helping Kayla in Kentucky to See

Kayla\* lives in Kentucky and is in the second grade. She has an eye issue that affects not only her health, but also her learning. When she broke her glasses over the summer, her family didn't have enough money to replace them; so Kayla started the new school year without them, which was causing her to get headaches as she tried to see and concentrate in school. Thanks to our Hope In Action Fund, Kayla received an eye exam and new glasses, and her vision has improved as a result. Now she is having less difficulty keeping up in class.

We couldn't help with such simple but powerful things without your support. Thank you for your contributions, which make a huge impact on the lives of children in need.

\*Name changed for child's protection.

## A LETTER TO OUR SPONSORS

*Dear Sponsors,*

Due to the rising cost of living, it has become necessary to raise our monthly sponsorship rate from \$28 to \$30 for all new sponsorships. This modest increase will directly benefit the children we serve. Children Incorporated will not retain any part of the amount; each additional \$2 will go directly to the sponsored child.

Our last sponsorship rate increase was in 2006, and the value of the dollar has changed significantly since then. In order to continue to provide the best possible care and assistance to the children in our program, a rate increase is absolutely necessary at this time.

We would like to ask our valued sponsors to consider increasing your monthly contributions to \$30 per child. The additional dollars help us to better provide for the children that we serve. Please understand that you are under no obligation to increase your sponsorship rate, though it would be to the benefit of your sponsored child to do so.

Thank you for your loyal support and for your consideration in this important matter. Should you have any questions, please contact us via email at [sponsorship@children-inc.org](mailto:sponsorship@children-inc.org) or by telephone at 1-800-538-5381.

*Sincerely yours,*

Ronald H. Carter  
President and CEO

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE DONATES \$100,000 TO CHILDREN INCORPORATED

Last year, Children Incorporated announced our collaboration with International Student Exchange (ISE), a worldwide organization that unites students from abroad with host families in the United States. At their Celebration of Success held in Madrid, Spain on November 10, 2017, ISE presented Children Incorporated's President and CEO, Ron Carter, with a check in the amount of \$100,000 to be used to assist our U.S. projects.

We're looking very forward to the new year and having the ability to help many more children, thanks to our partnership with ISE!



*From left to right: Bryan McCready (Chief Financial Officer), Ron Carter, and Wayne Brewer (Chief Executive Officer)*



*Sponsored children at our affiliated project, the Chandrakal Boarding Home in India*

## You Help Break the Cycle of Poverty in India and Sri Lanka

After recently visiting our affiliated projects in India and Sri Lanka, Director of Development, Shelley Callahan, became more aware than ever of just how much our sponsors and donors impact our sponsored and unsponsored children every day. Without your support, these children, who come from impoverished families in rural communities, would not go to school, and would most likely start working at a very young age for little to no pay.

Thanks to you, hundreds of children have opportunities to grow and learn, which will help them break the cycle of poverty later in life.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR  
WORK IN INDIA AND SRI LANKA, VISIT:  
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*We are so grateful for all you do  
to help children in need!*

