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55 Years of Helping Children in Need

In 1964, the average cost of a new home in the United States was \$13,050. Postage stamps were 5 cents each, and a gallon of gasoline cost just 25 cents more than that. In the same year, a young woman named Jeanne Clarke Wood started Children Incorporated out of her home in Richmond, Virginia to improve the lives of children who often went hungry and without having their most basic needs met.

Reports from those early days indicate that funds provided by Children Incorporated were life-changing. Hungry children were fed. Children who had been wearing threadbare clothes and shoes with holes in the soles were outfitted with sturdy clothing. Young people, who had gone without paper, pencils and necessary schoolbooks were provided with them.

Fifty-five years later, the work of Children Incorporated is still changing lives.

Thanks to our donors and sponsors, we have changed the lives of approximately 300,000 children and their families in the last six decades. Today, our dedication to improving lives and providing education, hope and opportunity is as strong — if not stronger — than ever.



Our founder, Jeanne Clarke Wood

TO READ MORE, VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
[HTTPS://CHILDRENINCORPORATED.ORG/55-YEARS-OF-HELPING-CHILDREN-IN-NEED/](https://childrenincorporated.org/55-years-of-helping-children-in-need/)

Thanks to You, Children in Puerto Rico Have New Playground Equipment

Thanks to the generosity of our wonderful donors, Children Incorporated recently purchased and installed brand new playground equipment at the Iglesia Bautista de Metropolis in San Juan, Puerto Rico. This playground offers a safe place for children in the surrounding community to play under the supervision of caring adults — something they have not had in the wake of Hurricane Maria in 2017.



Hundreds of children now have school books thanks to our donors.

Brand New Textbooks for Students in Kenya

In Kenya, children are often required to purchase their own textbooks — an expense that is a significant burden for their families. Thanks to donations from our donors, we were able to send additional support to the Dandora Center in Nairobi — our affiliated project — for the purchase of schoolbooks.

With this help, students at the school were provided with books at no cost!

In Guatemala, a New Skills Training Program Teaches Dressmaking

We recently received photos from our volunteer coordinator at the Juan Apostol School in Guatemala City, Guatemala, of students learning how to sew thanks to the newly implemented Dressmaking Program. Students learn sewing skills that they can apply to their personal lives or use in the future to generate income.

This is the fifth training program implemented at the Juan Apostol School, thanks to our donors and sponsors. Other programs include Cosmetology, Food Preparation, Computer Repair and Maintenance, Graphic Design and Music.



READ MORE ABOUT SKILLS TRAINING PROGRAMS IN GUATEMALA AT:
[HTTPS://CHILDRENINCORPORATED.ORG/SKILLS-TRAINING-FOR-THE-FUTURE/](https://childrenincorporated.org/skills-training-for-the-future/)



THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS TO OUR INTERNATIONAL FEEDING PROGRAM!

Our Back to School Fund Provides Kids in Need with Bookbags and School Supplies in Kentucky

Back to School season is one of the toughest times for children in need. Not having new outfits or school supplies to start the school year off right can diminish their confidence and make it difficult for them to focus.

Thankfully, children in our program — like those in Letcher County, Kentucky — receive bookbags and other school supplies, so they have the tools they need to feel good about themselves and to start the school year ready to learn!



TO FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN FURTHER SUPPORT OUR BACK TO SCHOOL FUND. CONTACT CHILDREN INCORPORATED TODAY!

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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.

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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 _____

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Expiration Date _____

Please update my information:

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

LETTERS FROM OUR VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS

“I truly believe Children Incorporated has made an impact on my students’ lives. I have seen their smiles, felt their hugs and their appreciation for gifts and letters of encouragement from their sponsors.”

– Deborah, Kentucky

“As I’ve said for years, the sponsors are the true heroes of the Children Incorporated program. It is amazing to think that strangers care enough about a child — a child they have never, and most likely will never, meet — to send help. I hope sponsors realize that the friendships and bonds they create with these children are just as valuable as their monetary donations. Children Incorporated and its sponsors are changing the world one child at a time.”

– Stacy, West Virginia

“We would like to thank the sponsors for their support. All children want to know they’re cared about, and I can tell you that you have provided these children with lots of smiles. The Children Incorporated program has given our students a huge sense of pride as well as the knowledge that someone cares. Parents come in and say, ‘I appreciate the sponsorship so much.’ I’m surprised at how much people are willing to give, especially to children they’ve never seen in person. My words of thanks fall way short of conveying how important sponsors are in these kids’ lives.”

– Wally, North Carolina

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Thanks to Our Sponsors



Girls at the Hogar Medalla Milagrosa in Paraguay have warm blankets for the winter months.



Children at the Casa Betania Welfare Center in Nicaragua have new shoes.



Sponsored children at Recanto Esperanca in Brazil have new clothes, shoes and socks.

Four-Star Rating with Charity Navigator for the Fourth Year in a Row

We are proud to announce that Children Incorporated has earned our fourth consecutive four-star rating with Charity Navigator!

Charity Navigator is an independent American charity watchdog organization that evaluates charitable organizations in the United States. The four-star rating is the highest possible rating that an organization can receive from Charity Navigator, and it shows that Children Incorporated adheres to sector best practices and executes its mission in a financially efficient way.

Attaining a four-star rating verifies that Children Incorporated exceeds industry standards and demonstrates our trustworthiness to the public. We believe in full transparency of our financial management and are grateful to be recognized for our dedication as stewards of your generosity.

Sincerely yours,
Ronald H. Carter
President and CEO



Congratulations to our Higher Education Fund Recipient, Sarah

We want to offer congratulations to Sarah, one of our amazing sponsored children and Higher Education Program participants. Sarah recently graduated from college with a Bachelor's of Science in Business Administration.

Sarah writes:

“Children Incorporated has been a part of my life since I was in kindergarten. They have helped my family and me through difficult times. I have received many packages and letters that have supplied me with new clothes and great memories. Also, I received help to get me through college when I did not know if I would be able to go or not. If it were not for Children Incorporated or the sponsors that fund this great organization, I would not have had the same childhood or college experience. I want to express my gratitude and say thank you to everyone who has helped me.”

We are very proud of you, Sarah!

*Name changed to protect the child.



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