Providing an Abundance of Support to Our Affiliated Projects in 2021

Around the world, our volunteer coordinators at nearly 300 affiliated projects continue to navigate how they can best support children in need through the COVID-19 pandemic. Thanks to our donors and sponsors, we have been able to help them in their efforts to keep children and teachers safe and healthy while they work hard to provide impoverished students with a well-rounded education — whether at home or in the classroom.

Although the last school year has been like no other in Children Incorporated’s history, we have continued to provide children in our program with the resources they require to overcome the obstacles that they face during the global pandemic. It is with a great deal of gratitude that we thank each and every one of our supporters for their role in these efforts.

Whether in India, Costa Rica, Ethiopia or the most rural areas of the United States, we have been able to provide educational resources to children in our program thanks to our sponsors and donors.

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Offering Hygiene Items to Girls in Kenya

In recent times, some of the most important items that we have been able to offer to children in our program have been hygiene-related. Items such as masks, soap and hand sanitizer have helped prevent illness and protect children and their families against all kinds of diseases, most specifically COVID-19.

Furthermore, when we consider the hygienic needs of our sponsored children, we are aware of the particular needs of young girls who might not have access to feminine hygiene products — most likely because their families cannot afford them. When young ladies don’t have sanitary napkins, they often skip school to stay home which can be detrimental to their education. Thanks to our partners, we have focused on providing sanitary napkins to girls at our affiliated project, the Dandora Community Centre in Kenya, on a continuous basis so that they may remain in attendance at school throughout the year. As you can see from the photo, the girls are very excited to have received their sanitation kits!

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Supplying Vitamins During COVID–19 in Guatemala

For children, vitamins and minerals are essential to their development. But children living in poverty often don’t have access to healthy foods to ensure they are receiving the nutrients they need. Thankfully, multi–vitamin supplements can offer children the vitamin C, vitamin D, and zinc they require to grow, to see correctly, to form bones, muscles, skin and organs, as well as to help battle infections.

In the last months, thanks to a contribution by our partner, Altar’d State, to our COVID–19 Relief Fund, we were able to provide funds to the Juan Apostol School in Guatemala to purchase a three–month supply of vitamins for all 102 children enrolled in our program. And, because our volunteer coordinator was purchasing these items in bulk for the benefit of children, the local pharmacy provided a four–month supply of vitamins to our coordinator at the cost of just a three–month supply!

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We recently received a letter from our volunteer coordinator at our affiliated project, the Father Andeweg Institute for the Deaf (FAID), in Lebanon, that read:

“A blessing came out of COVID-19. Several lockdowns reduced our face-to-face teaching time severely. We needed to find another way to help our children and their parents develop their educational skills. Our staff made several videos each week. Each video had a particular topic. The video “Opposites,” for example, explained all about up and down, in and out, high and low, etc. These videos were easy to use by parents at home.

To our surprise, COVID-19 helped parents in Lebanon to become teachers of their deaf children. Parents being involved more in the education of their children enhanced family bonds, which stimulated the children’s development even more, and most of all, reduced the emotional trauma that exists in families having children with special needs.

Providing audiology support, hearing aid maintenance and batteries during COVID was very challenging. Again, because of the help we received from Children Incorporated donors, we could put in the safeguards and precautions to make it possible. Thank you for all of your support in helping children at FAID.”

Our affiliated projects in the Navajo Nation of Arizona and New Mexico serve impoverished children in some of the most remote areas of the U.S. They are incredibly grateful for the support our sponsors provide to them!
Supporting Agriculture in Bolivia

In Bolivia, many families rely on agricultural work to make an income — and they often have to go to cities a few hours away to receive training. This past year, our volunteer coordinator at the Montero School in Bolivia requested funds to construct an agriculture school on the same property as the existing school.

By supporting the Montero School’s training facility, Children Incorporated is contributing to the whole community. The agricultural school will include a barn with cows, a pigpen, and a chicken coop in which students and their parents can learn how to take care of animals as well as grow food which they can then apply to their own lives to better their employment opportunities or income in the future!

Remembering Odell Dunavent

We celebrate the life of Odell Dunavent who passed away in late August (1929-2021). Odell worked for Children Incorporated for over 40 years. During that time, she touched the lives of many of our sponsors. We send our heartfelt condolences to her loved ones. Odell will be missed by us all.

Back to School for Children Around the World

At our affiliated projects in Kenya, children have returned to in-person classes this fall.

Children at our affiliated projects in India have received school supplies to start off the beginning of the school year.

In El Salvador, students have received tablets for in-class and remote learning thanks to donations to our COVID-19 Relief Fund.
Thank you for all of your support as students around the world return to school — you are helping them with their education!