



# Older Children in Our Sponsorship Program Need Your Help Today

Dear Friends,

In my 21 years with Children Incorporated, I have noticed that older children in our sponsorship program are often quite difficult to pair with sponsors, even though their needs are just as great as those of our younger children. We find that older teens, with just two or three years remaining in high school, face many trials and challenges, and their needs are equal to, if not greater than, their younger counterparts. They desperately need motivation to stay in school and to complete their studies, and the encouragement they receive from their sponsors — just from knowing that someone actually cares — may help to determine if they graduate.

Today, I am reaching out to you, our loyal sponsors, to request that you consider adding one of these older teenagers to the children you already assist. We currently have approximately 50 such teens who are in their last two or three years of high school, and they can greatly benefit from the support of a caring sponsor like you. Your support will mean a great deal to them as they transition from childhood into their adult years and



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Yes! I would like to sponsor an older child with Children Incorporated until their graduation.**

I would like to pay for my new sponsorship:

I would like to sponsor:

- Monthly (\$35)       Quarterly (\$105)
- Semi-annually (\$210)       Yearly (\$420)

- U.S.     International     Boy     Girl

PAY BY CREDIT CARD     PAY BY CHECK (ENCLOSED)

I would like to give an additional gift to my current sponsored child/children: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

I would like to make a donation to Children Incorporated's General Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

- One-time charge     Recurring charge

make important decisions about their future. If you could take on an additional child for even one or two years, it would make a world of difference.

One of our amazing volunteer coordinators recently shared the following words with us, and I wish to share them with you:

“You give children relief. Relief from the burden of standing out due to their stained or ripped clothing and shoes. Relief from wearing clothes that do not fit, or clothes that leave them cold in the winter. Wearing clean, well-fitting clothes gives a child dignity, and it eases the fear of standing out or being picked on. It removes a barrier to their learning, and removing this burden from their small shoulders brings a lightness back to their childhood.”

Sponsorship matters and sponsorship makes a difference, perhaps in no greater way than in the lives of impressionable youth on the verge of adulthood. You, my friends, have the potential to change the life of one of these youth. Thank you for considering my request.

From the heart,



Ronald H. Carter  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Children Incorporated



Would you please consider sponsoring an additional older child for one or two years until they graduate from high school? These deserving children are waiting for your help.

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**Thank you for your support of children living in poverty.**

**WAYS TO SPONSOR A CHILD TODAY:**

- ▶ Please visit [www.childrenincorporated.org](http://www.childrenincorporated.org) to access your account by using your email address and password to log in.
- ▶ Mail a check to: Children Incorporated, PO Box 72848, North Chesterfield, VA 23235.
- ▶ Email us at [sponsorship@children-inc.org](mailto:sponsorship@children-inc.org).
- ▶ Call us at: 1-800-538-5381 to update your account information.



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