



Annual Report 2021



SOS CHILDREN'S
VILLAGES
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MESSAGE FROM OUR BOARD CHAIR AND PRESIDENT AND CEO

2021 was another difficult year for vulnerable children and families. Despite the many global challenges, we are so proud of how our community responded here in Canada and around the world to provide children with the nurturing family environment they need to survive and thrive.

An estimated 5.2 million children around the world lost a parent or caregiver in the first 20 months of the COVID-19 pandemic, leaving them at risk of family separation, neglect, and abuse. Thanks to you, we could be there to provide a safe and healthy environment for many of these children, ensuring they could heal and be reunited with family members whenever possible.

When the overlapping crises of 2021 pushed vulnerable people further into poverty, we helped families with their basic needs, while also empowering them to find creative solutions to the challenges facing their communities. Your support of our Family Strengthening Programs also allowed us to continue to provide economic empowerment and positive parenting training, enabling families under pressure to stay together and better care for their children.

SOS Children's Villages' remote and in-person school support was a lifeline to help children realize their right to education. When SOS schools and early childhood programs safely re-opened, we helped children and those at risk of never returning access quality education.

From delivering emergency relief after a natural disaster to offering mental health support to parents or young people, we will continue to step up to further the long-term success of those we serve during times of unprecedented need.

This annual report represents a small snapshot of the work we accomplished together and the people who made it possible. From our community volunteers who fundraised across Canada to our corporate donors like EQ3 and Transat – and to all those who gave their time, voice, and expertise – we cannot thank you enough for the positive impact you have made in the lives of children around the world.

The impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, climate change and conflict will continue to push children into precarious situations, making our work and community of supporters even more vital.

Joined by colleagues, partners, and donors around the world, we are united in our international federation's efforts to constantly learn and strengthen our programs. In 2021, SOS Children's Villages International led a new chapter for our global organization, introducing new measures to improve child safeguarding and program quality. By learning from our past and working alongside children and families, we can ensure the highest standard of care for the next generation of young people.

We are optimistic about the future as we've seen how resilient, compassionate and hard-working our global community is during times of crisis. We will take this resolve forward and seize the opportunity to build a world where all children are given the chance to succeed.

With our best wishes for a safe, healthy, and happy year,



Alfred Page

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Chair, Board of Directors
SOS Children's Villages Canada



Thomas Bauer

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President and CEO
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WHAT WE DO

SOS Children's Villages envisions a world where every child grows up in a nurturing family with the love, respect, and security they need to thrive. We take a holistic child-centred approach to help children, families, and communities succeed long-term. We strengthen families to prevent child abandonment, provide loving homes for children who lack parental care, educate and empower children to reach their full potential, and advocate for children's rights so their voices can be heard.

1 Protect Children:

We work to ensure that all children have a loving family environment and an opportunity to reach their full potential.

2 Strengthen Families:

We keep families together through our Family Strengthening Programs, which help parents and their communities to protect and care for their children.

3 Increase Access to Education:

We provide quality education to children and young people and ensure schools are places where all students are safe and happy.

4 Ensure Health for All:

We support health facilities and train frontline health workers, so children and young people have access to mental and physical health care.

7 Advocate for Children's Rights:

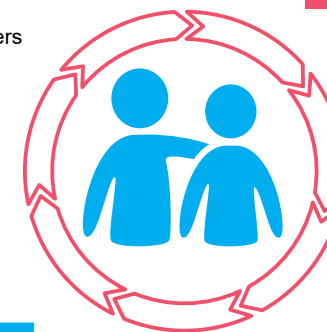
We campaign with children to remove the barriers that prevent them from realizing their rights.

6 Boost Economic Empowerment:

We empower young people and parents through vocational and leadership training so they can break the cycle of poverty and become resilient.

5 Respond to Emergencies:

During disasters and emergencies, we support those most affected, focusing primarily on child protection and distributing life-saving aid to children and families.



Stepping Up to Meet the Challenges of Conflict, Climate Change, and COVID-19

For over 50 years, SOS Children's Villages Canada has helped make families and communities safer for children while expanding access to quality education, primary health care, mental health and psychosocial support, and youth employment programming for the most vulnerable. In times of crisis, SOS Canada has responded with life-saving humanitarian assistance.

Despite the progress made in advancing children's rights, COVID-19, climate change, and conflict have created unprecedented needs among the world's most vulnerable children and deeply eroded the capacity of families to adequately care for their children. Record numbers of children are out of school and at risk of never returning, facing increased levels of violence and living in countries affected by protracted conflict. In the past two years, we have also witnessed hundreds of thousands of children lose caregivers to COVID-19 and its socio-economic impacts.

In response to these unprecedented needs, SOS Canada will take bold action to ensure more of the most vulnerable children can realize their rights to family, education, health, and protection.

We will work with our partners to learn and implement best practices, continually adapt to change, and ensure the greatest possible impact on the lives of those in our programs.

We will meaningfully engage with vulnerable children and youth, to ensure that our programs are guided by their needs and priorities, and to amplify their voices through targeted advocacy in Canada.

OUR GLOBAL REACH

Together, we achieved change for **1.28 million people in 138 countries and territories in 2021**. Through our programs, we ensured that children in Canada and around the world were safe and healthy, and that families could thrive.

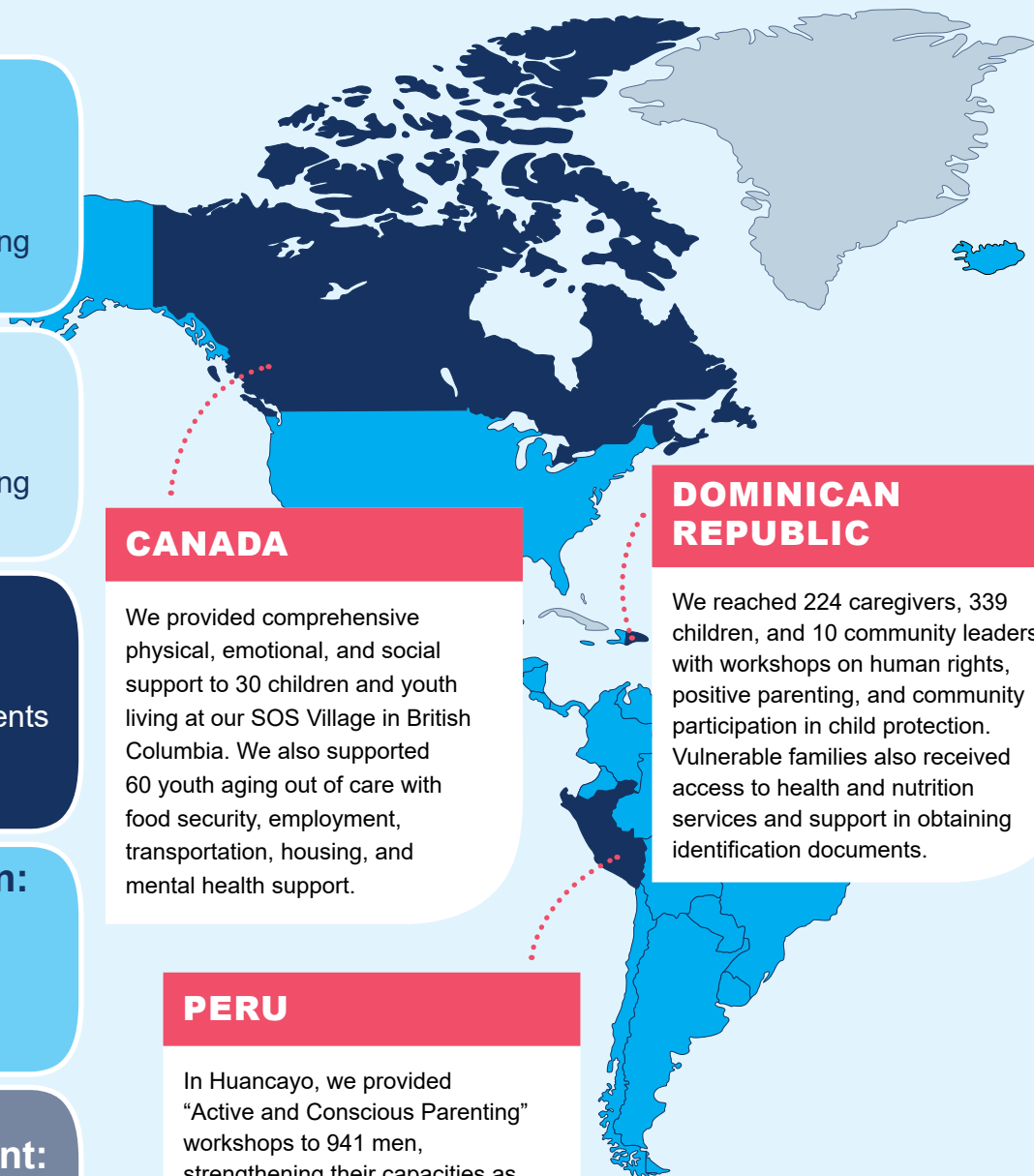
Alternative Care:
68,000
children and young people cared for

Education:
203,000
children and young people learning

Health:
300,800
children and parents benefitted from health programs

Humanitarian:
192,400
people aided in emergencies

Economic Empowerment:
455,400
children and parents reached through our Family Strengthening Programs



CANADA

We provided comprehensive physical, emotional, and social support to 30 children and youth living at our SOS Village in British Columbia. We also supported 60 youth aging out of care with food security, employment, transportation, housing, and mental health support.

PERU

In Huancayo, we provided "Active and Conscious Parenting" workshops to 941 men, strengthening their capacities as fathers, breaking gender bias, and cultivating positive masculinity. The men learned their role in "care work" traditionally attributed to women.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

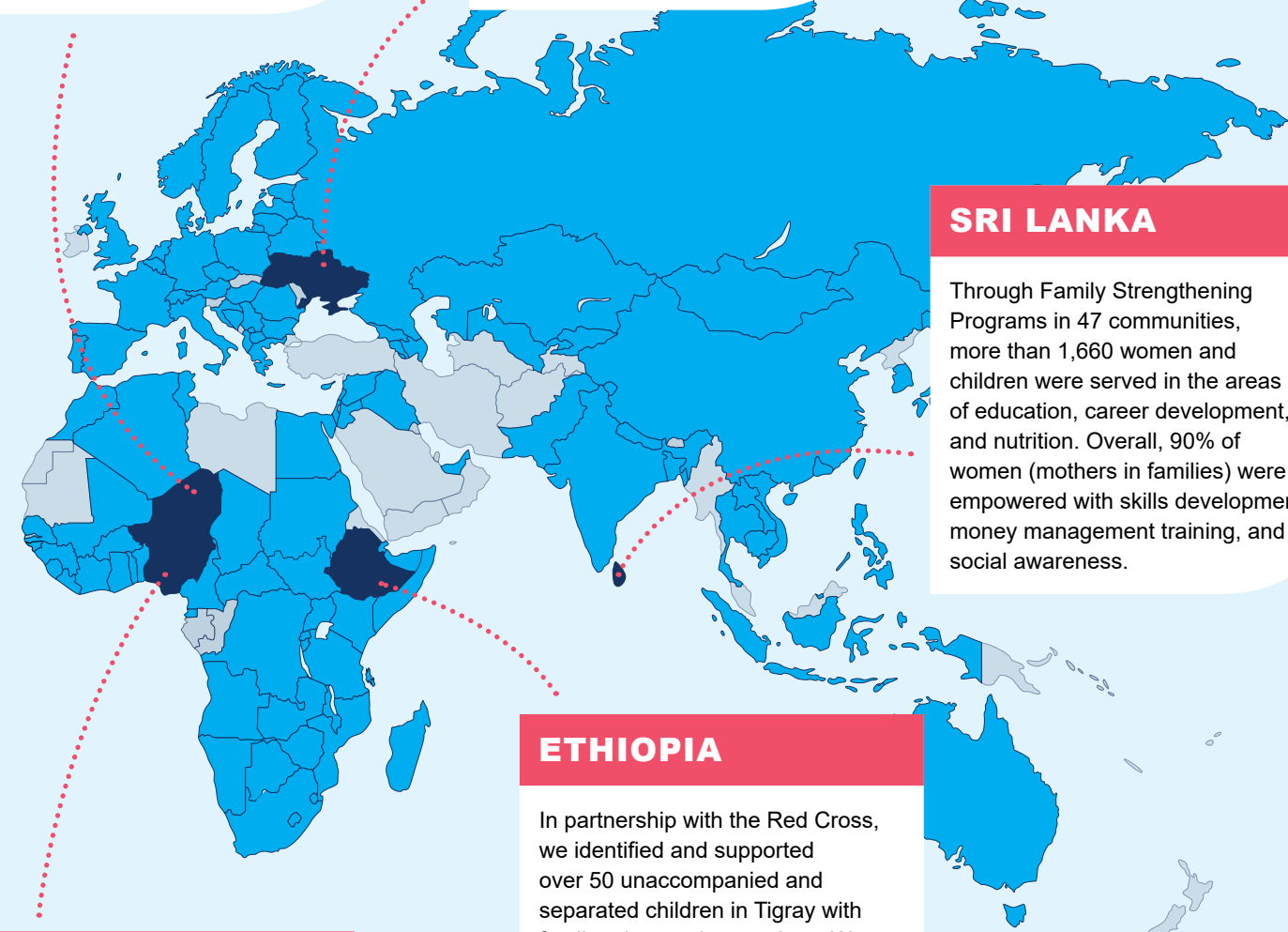
We reached 224 caregivers, 339 children, and 10 community leaders with workshops on human rights, positive parenting, and community participation in child protection. Vulnerable families also received access to health and nutrition services and support in obtaining identification documents.

NIGER

Young women from SOS programs in Sierra Leone, Burkina Faso, Mali, Cote d'Ivoire, Niger, and Senegal gathered to ensure their voices and recommendations for the elimination of harmful practices were heard by African leaders at the 3rd African Girls Summit held in Niamey.

UKRAINE

After the Donbas War broke out in 2014, we began providing medical, educational, social, and psychosocial support to Ukrainians, in addition to family strengthening, foster care, and child advocacy. At the end of 2021, we were reaching over 2,150 people across Ukraine.



NIGERIA

We trained 25 members of SOS Children's Villages staff working in Nigeria's most vulnerable communities in PM+, a mental health intervention that is particularly effective for populations who have experienced conflict, war, displacement, and trauma.

ETHIOPIA

In partnership with the Red Cross, we identified and supported over 50 unaccompanied and separated children in Tigray with family reintegration services. We distributed emergency relief items to 10,541 internally displaced people and 80 survivors of gender-based violence. In rural Mekele town, we equipped health facilities, benefiting more than 35,000 people.

SRI LANKA

Through Family Strengthening Programs in 47 communities, more than 1,660 women and children were served in the areas of education, career development, and nutrition. Overall, 90% of women (mothers in families) were empowered with skills development, money management training, and social awareness.

Countries and territories where we work.

HEALTH

Every child has the right to survive and thrive. Our medical teams are reducing child mortality and ensuring women and girls have access to essential health care.

300,800
HEALTHY CHILDREN
AND PARENTS



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We know that access to health care is an important right that cannot be ignored. However, access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services is currently being denied or restricted in many parts of the world. It is often young people, particularly adolescent girls, who are denied the right to these services because of traditional norms and other structural inequalities.

Access to sexual and reproductive health services gives young people and families information on family planning, gender-based violence, and sexually transmitted diseases. It also provides general health care that promotes gender equality and empowers girls and boys to make informed decisions. Our SOS Medical Centres and mobile outreach teams provide reliable health services, such as adolescent-friendly sexual and reproductive health care, to ensure that young people can realize their right to be healthy and safe.

Every day, our SOS Medical Centres provide more than 1,705 medical treatments to children and their families. Our health programs have a special focus on maternal and child health, nutrition, mental health and psychosocial support, and sexual and reproductive health care.



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Stepping Up **Sexual Health and Rights Education** in Namibia

Access to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) improves health and well-being and reduces poverty and inequality, while also promoting economic growth and positively impacting families. Yet, in sub-Saharan Africa, two-thirds of illnesses experienced by women of reproductive age are caused by sexual and reproductive health problems.

Moreover, the COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted access to HIV/AIDS services – leaving some of the most vulnerable populations without care. This includes young people who are already the most vulnerable to forced early marriages, unwanted pregnancies, gender-based violence, and rape.

In Namibia, a national survey revealed that 40% of girls and 45% of boys have experienced physical, sexual, or emotional violence in childhood. Anecdotal evidence from survey respondents indicated that girls are also cohabitating with adult men to secure material support. These relationships contribute to teenage pregnancies and increase the risk of HIV infection.

To ensure women and children have access to life-saving health care, SOS Children's Villages scaled up its services to children and families in Namibia. In 2021, SOS Namibia offered age-appropriate SRHR education to 200 children, pre-teens, and

adolescents from the Family Strengthening Programs in Ondangwa and Windhoek.

Protective behaviour sessions were also offered to 163 children and youth to help them understand how they can reduce their exposure to violence and harm in the community.

Additionally, 32 caregivers and 89 youth were sensitized on child safeguarding including warning signs of inappropriate relationships, where to report incidents, and how to seek help.

Thanks to a partnership with the local health clinic, children in SOS Namibia's care who are living with HIV/AIDS get weekly consultations with doctors and personalized treatment. The clinic also works with SOS caregivers to provide them with training and help to organize routine health checkups, medication administration, special diets, and proper care.

Thanks also to a partnership with local organization Project Hope, children living with HIV/AIDS are part of a support group that provides them with a safe place to openly share and discuss issues such as positive living, medication, and HIV/AIDS awareness. These children also have access to additional one-on-one psychological support and counselling.

EDUCATION



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From early childhood education to post-secondary opportunities, we are ensuring children and young people can realize their right to quality education, despite conflict and crisis.

203,000
CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE LEARNING

COVID-19, conflict, and climate migration are affecting children's access to education around the world. In 2021, the education of nearly 800 million students was affected by pandemic-related school closures. Millions more living in conflict-affected countries such as Syria, Ethiopia, Yemen, and Afghanistan were prevented from accessing education altogether. At the same time, unprecedented numbers of families and children have been displaced globally by the impacts of climate change, such as rising sea levels, heatwaves, storms, droughts, and wildfires.

Around the world, we run more than 466 educational programs, including SOS kindergartens, schools, and vocational training centres. In response to the overlapping and cumulative challenges of 2021, we fortified programs and curricula to reach more children in SOS Villages, local communities, and child-friendly spaces.

We know that children who do not finish their education can become trapped in a cycle of poverty. That is why we promote high-quality, child-centred education, invest in teachers, and support the improvement of schools.

From preschool through to post-secondary, our educational opportunities give children and young people a sense of hope and allow them to be active agents in their learning and development process.

Empowering SOS Youth with Post-Secondary Education



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In 2021, **SOS Children's Villages Canada** partnered with the Steele Family Foundation and the SOS-Hermann Gmeiner International College (HGIC) in Ghana to establish the World Impact Scholarship & Education (WISE) program. Sponsored by the Steele Family Foundation, this two-year scholarship program will empower talented HGIC students from SOS programs across Africa to study at leading African universities.

"This new scholarship program is investing in the leaders of today. These are remarkable students who have the right to study and achieve their dreams. Financial hardship shouldn't hold students back from reaching their full potential," said Thomas Bauer, President and CEO, SOS Children's Villages Canada. "Together with the Steele Family Foundation, we're building on the excellent work done at the HGIC to prepare vulnerable youth to pursue post-secondary education."

The HGIC aims to develop students into confident, resilient adults who can thrive in a fast-paced and rapidly changing world. Despite being accepted into prominent universities, some HGIC graduates decline post-secondary opportunities because of a lack of financial assistance.

The WISE Scholarship will support students who have demonstrated leadership and active involvement in their communities. It will enable their post-secondary education through financial support, career counselling, life skills, and mentorship, as well as internship and volunteer opportunities.

Enhancing Early Childhood Development in Uganda

Children who receive quality early childhood development (ECD) reach higher levels of education and tend to be more resilient. In Uganda, SOS Children's Villages partnered with Victoria Village Group of Companies and the Fairview Glen and Wishing Well Montessori Schools to improve access to quality early childhood education for vulnerable children through the Gunjula project.

Thanks to the generous contributions of students, parents, and teachers from the Fairview Glen and Wishing Well Montessori Schools communities, as well as those of the Amarshi family and their friends, the Gunjula project has helped to improve the quality of early childhood education in over 40 communities across Uganda.

The Gunjula project has also resulted in the creation of the Nampunge Early Childhood Development Centre. The newly constructed Nampunge ECD Centre consists of three large ECD classrooms for children from three to eight years old. Over 120 children can enroll in the school each year and benefit from the long-term impacts of quality ECD.

Additionally, teachers from Fairview Glen and Wishing Well Montessori Schools developed a series of training modules adapted for Ugandan teachers. By 2021, as a result of these teacher trainings: 67 ECD teachers were directly trained; 85 community teachers were reached through satellite trainings; 42 schools were supported across three districts; and over 2,000 children benefited from improved teaching practices.



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EMERGENCY RESPONSE

We work around the world to help children who are affected by conflict and disasters, separated from their families, and who have had to flee their homes.

192,400
PEOPLE IN
CRISIS REACHED



Protecting children in crisis is at the heart of what we do. In an emergency, children are always the most vulnerable. SOS Children's Villages helps children and families in emergencies get the support they need to survive and build resilience for years to come.

Since 1949, we have responded to more than 190 humanitarian situations around the world. We specialize in the protection and care of girls and boys, working with unaccompanied and separated children, reuniting families, and ensuring children receive the support they need to recover. To protect children and prevent family separation during humanitarian emergencies, our local teams and partners provide life-saving health, nutrition, clean water, shelter, and education to those who need it most.

In 2021, we stepped up our humanitarian efforts to provide assistance to more than 192,400 people in crisis and protect children and families against the impacts of conflict, climate change, and COVID-19.



In 2021, your generous support of our MAYDAY Fund helped provide immediate, life-saving aid to children and their families in Ethiopia, Colombia, and Haiti.

Haiti: Safe Spaces for Traumatized Children

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In August 2021, a devastating 7.2 magnitude earthquake wreaked havoc across Haiti, killing more than 2,200 people, injuring 12,000, and destroying 52,000 homes. Over half a million children were affected, many of whom were already experiencing extreme poverty, hunger, and violence before the disaster.

Our Emergency Response teams worked quickly to open three child-friendly spaces in Les Cayes, Camp-Perrin, and Chantal. In these spaces, 285 children (175 girls and 110

boys) affected by the earthquake received psychosocial support. Trained professionals helped the children and their parents to recover emotionally, find rest, and access educational activities.

At the child-friendly spaces, we also offered specialized awareness sessions to 141 children to educate them about their rights and how to act in emergency situations. In the wider community, 31 caregivers, local leaders, and authorities were also sensitized and trained on the protection of children in emergencies.

Thanks to Canadians who supported our Haiti emergency response, SOS Children's Villages provided reliable and responsive humanitarian aid to 285 children and 320 families.

Ethiopia: Relieving Suffering, Restoring Dignity

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Since 2020, SOS Children's Villages has been on the ground providing humanitarian assistance to more than 200,000 people in the Somali region – an area with high levels of humanitarian need. Our work is focused on the urgent need for clean water and sanitation, health care, nutrition, protection, and livelihoods for the most vulnerable families.

In 2021, our Emergency Response teams worked persistently to distribute food items (rice, flour, milk powder,

and cooking oil) to more than 800 households, as well as food vouchers to 4,800 people. More than 1,000 drought-resistant and locally adaptable small livestock were also distributed to 150 households to further prevent food insecurity.

Additionally, more than 200 loads of water were trucked to 100 community centres, enabling 21,200 people to benefit from emergency water provision. The rehabilitation of six non-functioning water points and the distribution of water filters to 1,500 households further supported the provision of water for critical hygiene and consumption. In total, 100 handwashing stations were provided to local community centres, schools, health facilities, and market centres.

To raise awareness and education around COVID-19 hygiene and sanitation, a speaker-based campaign was delivered to severely affected regions, including more than 600 households and internally displaced populations. Washable face masks were provided to more than 10,000 people and 1,000 local government health workers, and "dignity kits" were provided to 400 crisis-affected schoolgirls.

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

With strong families, children and young people can receive the care and support they need to thrive. We offer tailored support to strengthen families in need, helping to keep them together.

88,800

STRENGTHENED FAMILIES



SOS Children's Villages has been a global leader in strengthening families and preventing child abandonment for more than 70 years. Every child needs someone to support them as they grow, but many parents face hardships that prevent them from providing proper care. The direct and indirect effects of extreme poverty can also deprive children of the care they need to thrive. With generous supporters like you, we create reliable, long-term economic solutions so families can stay together and beat poverty for good.

Economic empowerment helps children reach their full potential and advances gender equality and sustainable development. Our SOS Family Strengthening Program model enhances the employability of parents and caregivers through skills

training, cash assistance, and support in establishing small businesses and finding decent work. We focus on the most vulnerable and marginalized families – predominately single female caregivers.

Boosting women's control over household income brings significant positive impacts for their families and communities. When women are empowered to fully participate in the economy, women's voices are heard and their children's access to school and health care improves. Through self-confidence and leadership skills training, we work with women so they can access better quality work and make their own business decisions. We also reduce other barriers that prevent women from entering the workforce, such as a lack of childcare options.

In 2021, we strengthened 88,800 families, reaching 455,400 children, youth, and adults with your support.

Empowering Women Entrepreneurs in India



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Together, with the support of SOS Children's Villages India, 12 women from the village of Tilak Nagar, on the outskirts of Delhi, have started their own spice production business. They sell ground turmeric, cumin, kasoori methi, coriander, and hot pepper – all staples of Indian cooking.

Supporting women to start their own businesses is one way SOS Children's Villages India has been helping more than 60 families – with a total of 200 children – in this poor community where the 6,500 residents are essentially cut off from any basic government or social services.

To increase the income of these mothers, SOS Children's Villages India organized the women into self-help groups, each of which have access to a bank account with 75% of the funds coming from SOS Children's Villages India and 25% from their own pockets. The women can borrow from the account individually to start their own business or join together to do something entrepreneurial, like starting the spice business.

SOS Children's Villages India supports the women through various trainings and helps them get their ideas off the ground. In the case of the spice business, SOS staff connected the women with other spice operators as part of their training, as well as supported them in getting the necessary certification and developing a business plan.

In 2021, thanks to the generous support of our donors and partners, SOS Children's Villages empowered 13,723 families across India to better care for their children through skills training, small business and micro-enterprise initiatives, and community development.

Empowering Youth with Employability in Namibia

Thanks to the generous support of the Green Family Foundation, SOS Children's Villages Canada launched the **Green Family Education Fund** for children living in the SOS Children's Village Ondangwa in 2016.

To date, the fund has made it possible for more than 22 vulnerable youth to pursue and graduate from vocational training and college programs in high-demand industries, such as nursing, welding, and electrical engineering.

In 2021, the Green Family Education Fund set out a new, seven-year plan to empower 37 additional SOS Ondangwa youth to complete post-secondary education. Students will receive a full scholarship, covering the duration of their chosen program of study.

Selected students are pursuing vocational training in a range of employable fields, including welding and metal fabrication, electrical engineering, nursing, hospitality, and office administration. These students are invaluable role models and mentors to other children and youth in the community who see the value that education can have in their lives.



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ALTERNATIVE CARE

We will not stop until every child has a loving, safe environment where they can grow and thrive.

68,000

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE CARED FOR



All children have the right to grow up in a safe environment even when their own families cannot care for them. SOS Children's Villages works with communities and states to provide a loving and supportive family environment for children who need alternative care.

Our priority is to strengthen existing families so they can stay together. However, when this is not in the child's best interest or when there is no family to care for them, we offer a range of reliable care options, adapted to the local context, to best meet the individual needs of the child or young person.



SOS Family Care (Our SOS Village Model): For more than 70 years, we have been providing children with family-based care in SOS families. Children and young people are nurtured by a reliable caregiver – an SOS parent – while living in a supportive home and community.



Foster Care: Foster care differs from country to country, so our role changes too. In some cases, we provide support services to foster families, such as counselling or training, or we work with governments to implement quality foster care through sharing our expertise or assisting in the development and distribution of quality training materials.



Short-term Care: When children need temporary care – for example, in an emergency – we provide an environment that protects them from harm in our transit homes. If it is determined that it is in the child's best interest to return to their family of origin, we facilitate and support this process. If not, we work with child protection authorities to find the most appropriate care option.

Colombia: Temporary, Family-Based Care for Child Migrants



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with the local child protection system, border patrols, and other humanitarian actors. We are providing temporary, family-based care in La Guajira and Nariño.

We are also carrying out family tracing and reunification processes and advocating to strengthen the Colombian protection system to respond to UASC needs in line with UN Guidelines for the Alternative Care of Children.

In our family-based care homes, children are cared for 24/7 by trained psychosocial professionals. They benefit from safe shelter, nutrient-rich food, hygiene materials, education, and recreational, psychosocial and self-protection activities, as well as physical and mental health services while family reunification efforts are undertaken.

SOS Children's Villages Colombia also supports children to obtain refugee status so they have access to basic services, such as health care and education.

Thanks to the support of our partners, SOS Luxembourg and the IOM, we cared for 323 unaccompanied and separated children in Colombia in 2021. Of these, 78% have been reunited with their families.

Between 2015 and January 2021, the Venezuelan migrant and refugee population in Colombia rose from less than 39,000 to 1.72 million. Within this migrant population, unaccompanied and separated children (UASC) are among the most vulnerable. Since the beginning of the Venezuelan exodus, the number of unaccompanied children in Colombia has steadily increased and it is now estimated that 4% of all Venezuelan migrants are UASC.

For the past five years, SOS Children's Villages has been responding to the needs of unaccompanied children in Colombia, working in close collaboration

Caring for Unaccompanied and Separated Children During Emergencies



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Today, 79.5 million people are displaced from their homes, more than at any other time in recorded history. Children are disproportionately affected, accounting for nearly half of forcibly displaced people worldwide.

These unaccompanied and separated children are at risk of violence, abuse, psychological stress, poor nutrition, hunger, loss of education, inadequate health care, and permanent separation from their families.

SOS Children's Villages works in coordination with national governments and other humanitarian actors to identify, document, trace, and reunify unaccompanied and separated children with their families. At the same time, SOS Children's Villages trains local professionals working with children, such as health officials, police forces, and border patrol, on case management for unaccompanied and separated children.

CORPORATE PARTNERS AND SUPPORTERS



SOS Children's Village BC – Furniture donated by EQ3

We are incredibly grateful for the EQ3 team, customers, and leadership, who have shown so much drive, enthusiasm, and compassion in their efforts to help uplift and empower the world's children. Since 2019, EQ3 has partnered with SOS Children's Villages to make a difference in the lives of vulnerable children, youth, and families by raising funds and increasing awareness and independent donations.

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“EQ3's values are about inclusivity and the power of togetherness, and that means using our voices and resources for the betterment of future generations. Although many of our products are made here in Canada, some are sourced from other countries; we felt it was important for us to contribute to the well-being of these communities and create long-lasting positive impacts. We are grateful to have nurtured this partnership throughout the years, and we look forward to continuing and deepening our relationship. Not only are they providing loving homes for children, but also creating opportunities for education and training that will help build a better future for young people,” says the President of EQ3 Mark Letain.

Through a combination of company gifts, employee engagement campaigns, in-kind donations, and matching gifts, EQ3's generosity has allowed us to transform the lives of children, youth, and families around the world.

Funds raised by EQ3 help support vulnerable children and families to thrive. In Mexico, India, Indonesia, and Vietnam, EQ3 provides economic empowerment and family strengthening opportunities to households experiencing hardships – especially single mothers. With EQ3's support, struggling families gain access to the food, education, and health care their children need.

In Canada, EQ3 is helping Indigenous youth navigate pathways to independence through the SOS Youth Intensive Housing Program in British Columbia. EQ3 was happy to furnish two suites in 2021, with the assurance that program participants would keep the items after graduating from the program, allowing the youth to focus on their next steps like education or employment to help them succeed in life.

SOS Children's Villages understands the critical role that businesses play in creating sustainable change for vulnerable children. We could not achieve all we do without the support of our partners like EQ3.



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Could your company benefit from a partnership with SOS Children's Villages?

We work closely with multi-national corporations, national companies, and small- to medium-sized businesses to build partnerships that leverage the strengths of the corporate sector on behalf of children around the world.

Through our strategic and transformational partnerships, we offer opportunities to develop impact-driven programs and deepen engagement with employees and customers.

Contact the corporate partnership team at partners@soschildrensvillages.ca for further information on how SOS Children's Villages can contribute to your business and philanthropic goals.

COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS AND AMBASSADORS

At SOS Children's Villages Canada, we believe that we achieve more when we work together.



We rely on the support from our network of dedicated volunteers who make our global work to empower young people, build loving homes, and enable brighter futures for vulnerable children and families possible.

Choosing to fundraise and get involved in our work is an exciting way to make a difference and help others in need around the world.

Connect with us at getinvolved@soschildrensvillages.ca to learn how you can invest in the future of the world's children.

Meet Our Community



Melisizwe Brothers

The Melisizwe Brothers are an Edmonton trio who have appeared on *The Ellen DeGeneres Show*, performed at Times Square on New Year's Eve, and won a Nickelodeon music competition.

The multi-talented group of three are not just superstars – they are active leaders in their local and global communities. Over the years, the brothers have united their music with giving back, lending their voices in support of projects that create positive change in communities. SOS Children's Villages Canada is proud to have these dynamic artists as champions of our work.

Heroes Save Villages

Heroes Save Villages is an annual video game fundraiser championed by avid gamer Kevin Madison. The digital campaign generates funds through a combination of bids for one-on-one play sessions with Kevin, an RPG expert, and raffles to win exclusive, one-of-a-kind video game memorabilia. This unique fundraising campaign engages the tabletop role-playing community through live-stream sessions that support the work of SOS Children's Villages.



Reaching for the Stars Children's Foundation

In the face of so much change, collaboration with fundraising partners like Reaching for the Stars Children's Foundation makes our work of ensuring loving homes for every child possible.

Since 2014, Reaching for the Stars Children's Foundation has ensured that Greek children realize their rights to family, education, protection, and health care, through annual fundraising activities. Their support over the years has been a lifeline to the communities we serve and fundamental to our ability to reach those in need.



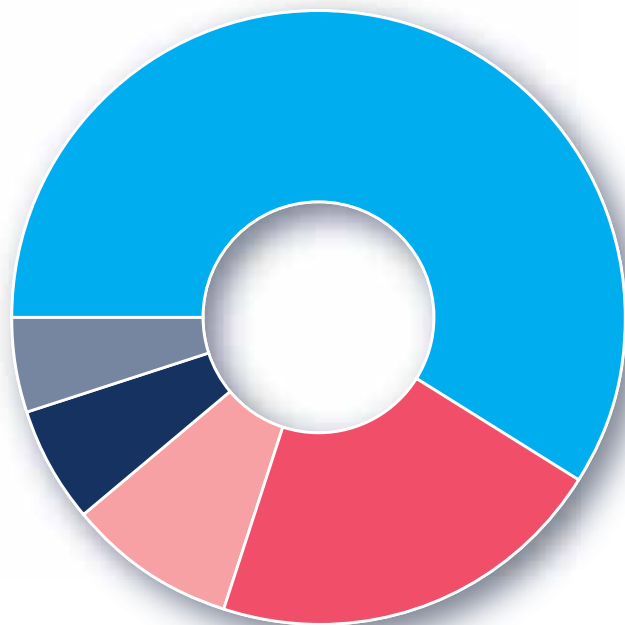
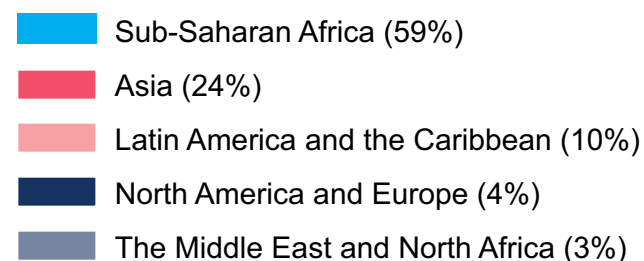
Kristina Maria

Kristina Maria is a multi-gold recording artist and songwriter who is a long-standing, valued partner of SOS Children's Villages. The Canadian artist combines her talents and platform to inspire change, build awareness, and raise funds in support of children and families around the world. We are so grateful to have so many community volunteers, like Kristina, who share their talents and time with us, ensuring that children around the world have everything they need to succeed in the long-term.



FINANCIALS

Where our funding goes

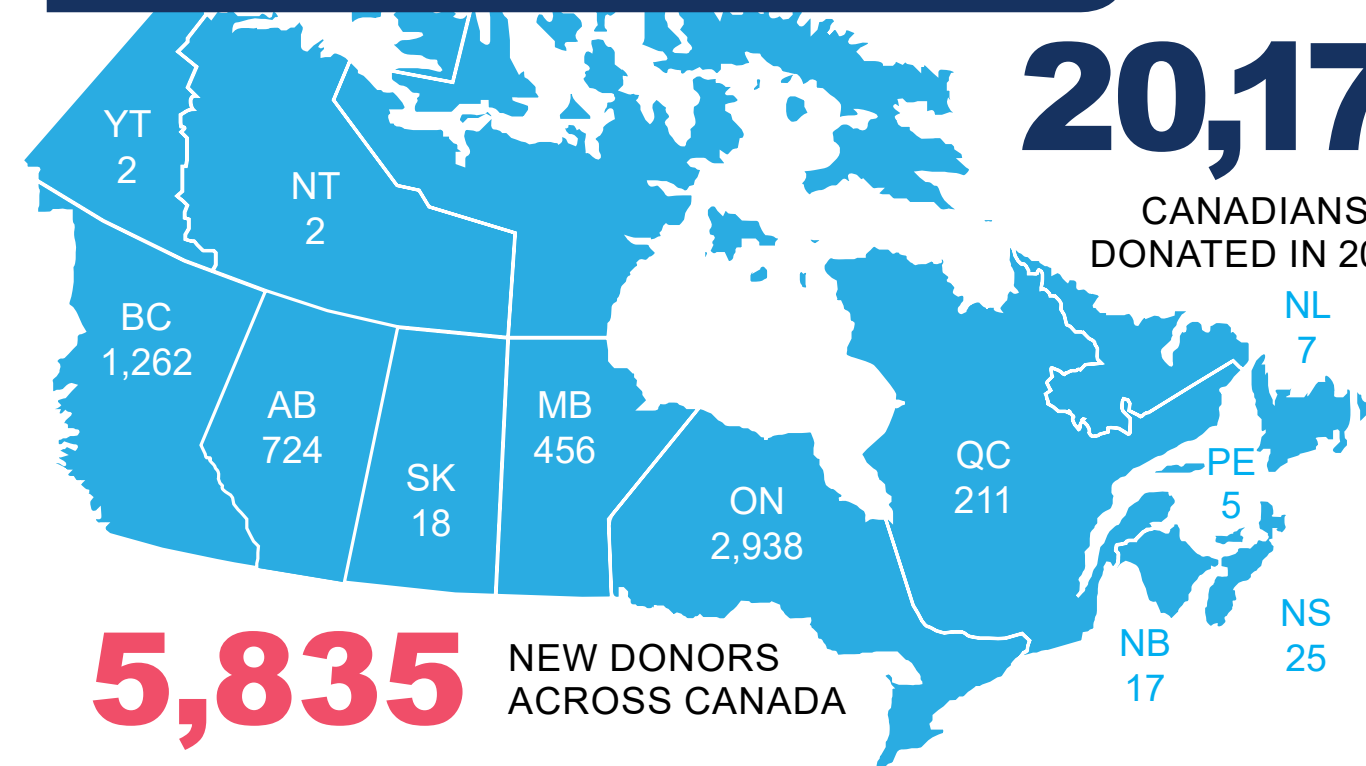


REVENUE	2021	2020
Donations	\$8,983,265	\$6,822,252
Restricted grants and gifts	\$569,172	\$138,977
Impact Fund for Children grant	\$549,081	\$1,558,805
Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy	–	\$149,658
Investments and other income	\$159,598	\$127,787
Total	\$10,261,116	\$8,797,479
EXPENDITURES		
Program expenditures	\$4,315,694	\$3,641,154
Impact Fund for Children expenses	\$1,014,692	\$1,720,642
Fundraising	\$1,579,462	\$1,373,708
Operating costs	\$592,913	\$870,281
Communication and public awareness	\$152,231	\$136,335
Total	\$7,654,992	\$7,742,120
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$2,606,124*	\$1,055,359

*A Message from our President and CEO Thomas Bauer and Board of Directors Treasurer Phil Hopwood

Despite the continued challenges and hardships of the last year, our supporters and friends continued to step up and helped vulnerable children and families. For this, we are incredibly thankful. Elevated fundraising results during the fourth quarter resulted in a year-end surplus, which is dedicated to program expenditures in the years to come – especially important as we continue to deal with pandemic-related hardships and armed conflicts that have devastating impacts on the lives of young people and families around the world.

OUR 2021 DONORS AND SUPPORTERS



20,170

CANADIANS
DONATED IN 2021

5,835

NEW DONORS
ACROSS CANADA

\$1,226,402

WAS GENEROUSLY DONATED
FROM NEW DONORS

4,417

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\$100,000+ gifted this year

Steele Family Foundation
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BENEFACTOR

\$50,000+ gifted this year

Green Family Charitable Foundation
Reaching for the Stars Children's Foundation
Transat A.T. Inc.
Anonymous (1)

LEADER

\$25,000 - \$49,999 gifted this year

Tahira Batool Medicine Professional Corporation
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Christadelphian Meal-A-Day Fund
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Guru Gobind Singh Children's Foundation

Open Arms Children's Foundation
Ptarmigan Charitable Foundation
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