

Building Brighter Futures.... Worldwide



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Children's Fund is a non-profit 501 (C)(3) public charity dedicated to improving the health, education and well-being of children and youth in the U.S. and internationally.

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CEO's Report 2019

In 2019, Children's Fund continued working with partner charities and grassroots community leaders to address the needs of vulnerable children who do not have families who can support them.. In India, we are continuing to support 50 vulnerable children in the Sherlie Home. We are still paying for the construction of the facility which opened 5 years ago. We have cared for these children since my visit there in 2008 providing their food and clothing, so they can attend school.

In 2019, I went to Kitwe, Zambia to meet with community leaders to learn about the needs of children in their community and to explore opportunities for sustainable activities that could enable them to generate local resources to improve the lives of children in need. While there, I met with teachers to buy books and school supplies. I also met with orphaned children and helped improve their living conditions.

When I first started Children's Fund in 1997, the vision was to maintain personal connections with local leaders to ensure accountability and provide opportunities for vulnerable children to get an education and become productive members of their communities.

We are grateful to those who have joined with us to support this work. These investments are changing lives.

Peace.

Sherlie Scribner

Dr. Sherlie Scribner is on the faculty of Northern Virginia Community College. She retired from the U.S. Government Accountability Office where she researched children's issues internationally. As a result of her work at GAO, she founded Children's Fund in 1997 and serves as the Chief Executive Officer.



Our Mission

To provide for the care of orphans and vulnerable children and enable them to get an education by supporting community leaders who are dedicated to improving their lives.



History

Children's Fund was founded on February 14, 1997 by Sherlie Scribner to improve the lives of orphaned and vulnerable children around

the world. Children's Fund is an all volunteer, public foundation supporting small charitable activities in the US and internationally to improve the lives of children, youth and their families. Children's Fund provides support for poor children. We provide funding to develop services, fill gaps and help achieve sustainability. We connect donors to needs around the world and maintain relationships with grantees to ensure accountability and provide technical assistance to promote effective operations.

INDIA

Sherlie Children's Home

Payakaraopeta, Visakha District, State of Andhra Pradesh





Emmanuel Raju established the Sherlie Children's Home in July 2011 and now serves more than 50 children who have lost one or both parents. The home cares for the neediest children in the district. A permanent facility was constructed in 2015. In 2016, we added a security wall, and cooking area. We provide funds for daily expenses.



Mindy and Bob Rich provided a grant through the Rich Family Foundation in honor of the Management Team of Rich Products Corporation. This donation will provide for the care of the children at the Sherlie Home for 8 months and all allow all of the children to continue their education through most of 2020.



The children get nutritious meals every day.

Beth Echols's gift to support the children for 1 month was in honor of Mary Nepali who is from India in recognition of her dedicated service.



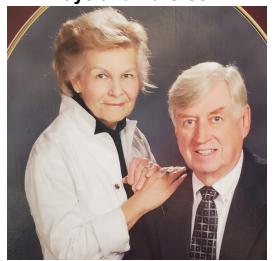
Children are under the direct supervision of the founders, Emmanual and Prasanna Degala who care for them include study and play activities in their daily schedule.

Many thanks to Sponsors of Children at Sherlie Home

Sponsors donate monthly to help with the support of the children.

Here are some of our long term sponsors.

Faye and Ed Olson



We have been supporting 2 children for seven years. Having lived in many countries in our careers with US Embassies, we know that our contributions make a big difference in the lives of these children.

Kathy and Gene Allen

Sponsors for seven years.
We know how important it is for the Sherlie Home to have reliable partners to continue caring for the children, so we are committed to monthly support.



Bob Licitra





Sponsor for seven years

In 2014, I traveled to India and met Emmanual and Prasanna Degala. I have seen how dedicated they are. It was an honor to be there to be part of the dedication of the site where the Sherlie Home was later built. I am more than happy to sponsor one of the children, and it has been great to follow the progress of so many of the children over the years.

ZAMBIA Chande School and Orphanage in Kitwe



In 2019, we visited this community school and homes for orphans.



Ann Conway provided support that helped orphan children at Chande Project in Kitwe, Zambia. Of the 400 children attending school here, 150 are orphans, and 13 of them live on the campus. We provided them with personal items including pillows, sheets, towels, shoes, books, games and school supplies.

Looking Back 1997-2019 Helping Children in 19 Countries



Cameroon
Costa Rica
Egypt
El Salvador
Ethiopia
Haiti
India
Kazakhstan







Latvia
Niger
Pakistan
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Zambia





Programs Supported by Designated Donations in 2019

Children's Fund has for many years been an incubator for visionaries to start charitable work to benefit others before they formally organize. They can try out their ideas and find donors. We receive donations on their behalf and serve as the fiscal agent for selected international organizations. We vet these organizations to ensure that their mission is in alignment with our own to serve needy children. Donors provide funds for these programs, and we send them to the designated recipients.

MISION VIDA Y PAZ - EL SALVADOR We sent funds to the team that works directly with children and youth to create a culture of peace and share a message of hope through mentorship and weekly classes in public schools.









Rehnuma Trust – Karachi, Pakistan providing humanitarian aid and education after natural disasters..

Apna Sahara Orphanage, Talab Katta, Hyderabad, India was

founded in 1996 as a government-registered home for boys and girls. That same

year, Shahzad Khan started a charitable initiative to help sustain and nurture them.

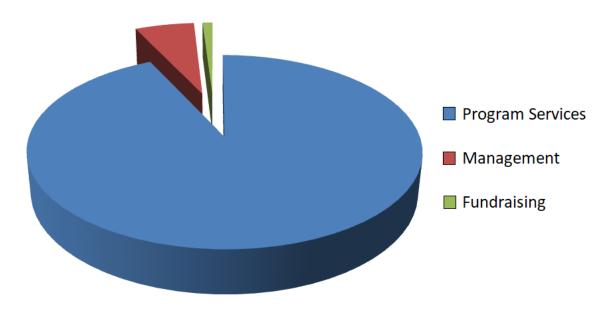




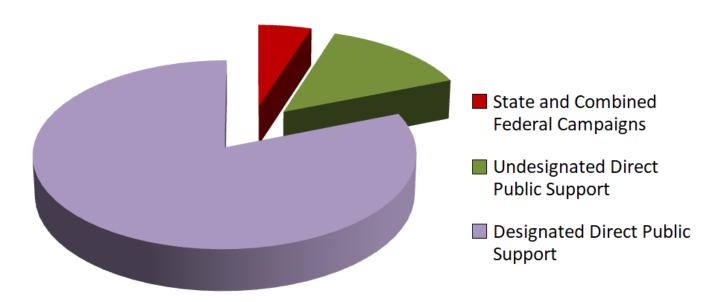
FINANCIALS

Children's Fund fiscal year is January to December. The accrual method of accounting is used. In 2019, Children's Fund net assets were \$168,600. Revenue was \$141,180.

EXPENDITURES



INCOME SOURCES





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"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world: indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

— Margaret Mead



4/6/19 East Potomac Park, Washington, DC



A Family Friendly 1 mile and 5K to benefit

Children's Fund, Christian Children's Fund and Friends of Children's Charities









Wish List for 2020





Mortgage payoff is needed for the Sherlie Home in Andhra Pradesh, India. This will enable the local leaders to focus resources on the needs of the 50 children who live there. The cost is \$25,000. The children are being cared for by grandparents Emmanuel and Prasanna Degala.

Not all of the orphan children at Sherlie Home in India are currently being sponsored. Sponsors provide \$30 per month to ensure the children have food, clothing, a place to live, and school uniforms so they can attend school.



The Chande Project in Kitwe, Zambia needs \$15,000 to upgrade a building that needs roof repairs, plumbing, painting and furniture. It will be used to house volunteer guest workers for short visits and provide much needed teacher workspace.