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REPORT

2022

Celebrating our graduates at our school
for Ukrainian refugee students in Poland

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**“DISTRACTIONS WILL
ALWAYS BE THERE.
BUT SO WILL THE
OPPORTUNITIES TO
LOVE, IF WE’RE
PAYING ATTENTION.”**

Bob Goff

FOUNDER OF LOVE DOES





OUR PURPOSE

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We fight for human rights, care for the vulnerable, and provide education in conflict zones. Our goal is to transform lives with lasting love. With your help to make it possible, we have various programs in Uganda, Somalia, Congo, Afghanistan, Nepal, India, Ukraine, Poland, Burkina Faso, Israel, the Dominican Republic, the United States and our newest, Jordan. By seeking out the needs of people and expanding and growing based on those needs, we hope to make a lasting impact both internationally and domestically.



OUR STRATEGY

Our Strategy

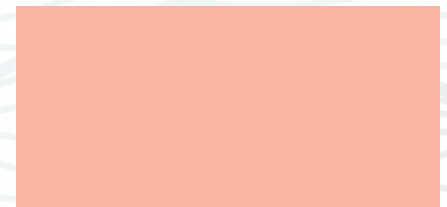
In our work in conflict zones and developing countries, we begin by working with locals, who know the most about the true needs in their communities; we then work with leaders who can help guide and assist us in implementing the most effective programs. Our goal is to find out the best way to help, and then we take action. We believe this method assures the best value not only for those benefiting from the programs, but also the donors supplying the funds. We are committed to this wholeheartedly.



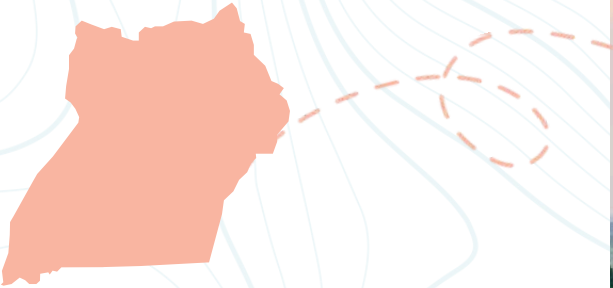
Leaders in the making!

THE POWER OF EDUCATION

Education is one of the most effective, long term ways to build peace. If the kids at our schools know peace and love and hope, we believe they will give peace, love and hope back to those around them. By investing in long term goals for these children, together we can create lasting change in areas plagued by conflict. To accomplish these goals, we purposely build schools in conflict zones. We assemble a team of amazing teachers who are passionate about taking care of the next generation and leading their countries forward. Then, we aim to equip the students with additional skills like leadership, peace building and entrepreneurship so they can enter adulthood with a strong sense of who they are and contribute to their communities for years to come.



UGANDA



RESTORE UNIVERSITY

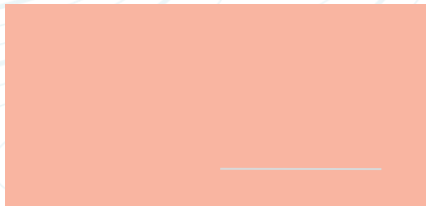
Excitement continues to build as Restore University moves closer to becoming a reality. The land has been graded for future classrooms, offices, and dormitories, a loop road now connects the property, drainage systems have been installed throughout the site, and work continues on the soccer field and running track. We held our first University Council meeting of 2026, and continue to work closely with Uganda's National Council for Higher Education to prepare our application for a Provisional License.

Curriculum has now been developed for Bachelor of Laws, Social Work and Social Administration, Business Administration, Computer Science, Primary Education, Environmental Studies and Management, and a Diploma in Entrepreneurship, with a Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness under development. One of the most encouraging developments this quarter has been watching supporters step forward to invest in the future of Restore University. From commitments to fund the soccer field to helping make other areas of the campus possible, each gift is laying the foundation for generations of future leaders who will one day study, serve, and transform their communities.

"Education is not a "hand out" it is a "hand up." It extends the opportunity to each and every student to follow their dreams!"

Friend of Love Does



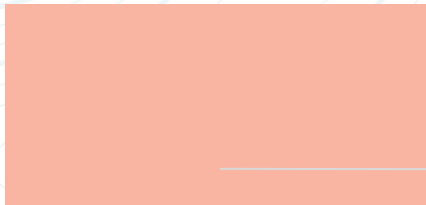


RESTORE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Restore Leadership Academy continues to grow, serving 2,017 students across our programs, including 11 children in Day Care, 162 in Nursery School, 780 in Primary School, and 1,064 in Secondary School. A team of 117 teachers and staff faithfully invests in these students each day. After a three-week break, students returned to campus ready for a new term! The newest addition to the Academy, our Day Care program, is already caring for 11 toddlers, providing peace of mind for staff who are now able to work knowing their young children are nearby in a safe and nurturing environment. Our primary students continued to thrive both inside and outside the classroom through weekly debates, athletics, sports, and morning aerobics. Four students advanced to the national track and field championships, including a Primary 4 student with special needs, who earned a medal in the 60-meter sprint. At the secondary school, enrollment has grown from 850 students last year to 1,064 this year, an increase of more than 200 students. All students continue to excel academically while engaging in opportunities through athletics, leadership, and extracurricular activities. Students also participated in inter-class sports competitions and both the boys' and girls' football teams advanced to the national tournament after winning their regional championship.

HOPE SMILES

In April, Hope Smiles hosted a four-day dental clinic, providing dental care to 394 students, staff, and community members. The Hope Smiles team was also joined by chiropractor Dr. Rina Rice, who provided chiropractic care for Restore staff, helping relieve chronic pain and improve mobility. After his treatment, Mr. Patrick Labanya, a teacher at the Restore Secondary School, shared, "*I slept like a baby, after failing to sleep comfortably since last year.*" Together, these services cared not only for students, but also for the dedicated teachers and staff who invest in them every day.



LAUNCH PROGRAM

The Launch Program continues to invest in young leaders beyond graduation, currently supporting 30 university students as they pursue higher education and prepare to become leaders in their communities. This quarter, we celebrated an incredible milestone as Launch student Pius Onekgiu was elected the 25th Guild President of Gulu University. While completing his university studies, Pius is also serving as an intern at Restore Secondary School, teaching Physics and Mathematics to younger students. Reflecting on his journey, Pius shared, *"My success story is not one of privilege but a reminder that with vision, hard work and commitment, even the most challenging beginnings can lead to extraordinary achievements."*

PRISON PROGRAMS

The prison programs continue to bring hope and opportunity to those often forgotten. This quarter, we provided 307 incarcerated with education, including 153 men in primary, 83 men in secondary, 51 women in primary, and 20 women in the Boda Mechanics vocational program. The prison Day Care also continued to grow, increasing from 5 to 9 children. One of the biggest celebrations this quarter was the graduation of 20 women from the Boda Mechanics Training Program. Their accomplishment is a powerful reminder that education and vocational training can open new doors, regardless of someone's past.

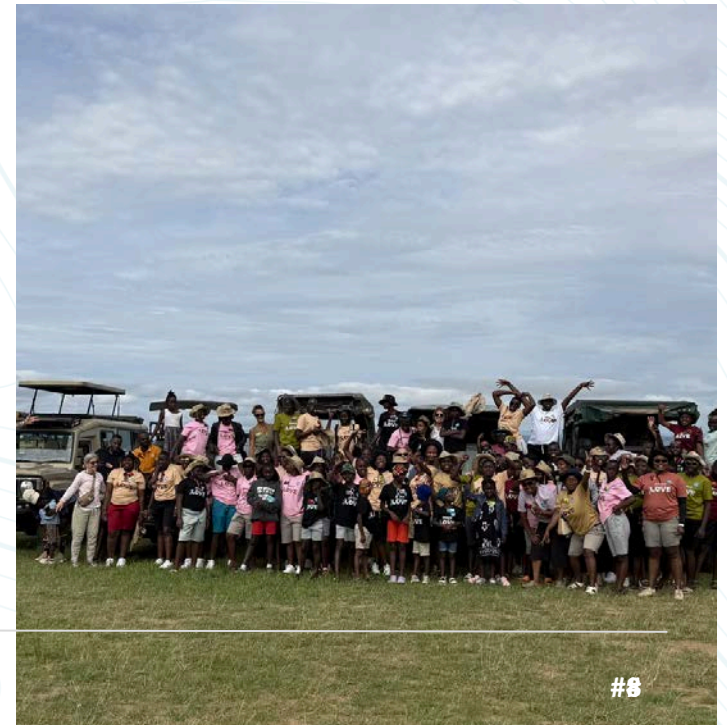
Literacy classes remain a cornerstone of the prison program, helping the incarcerated strengthen their reading, writing, and numeracy skills while preparing them for successful reintegration into society. To further support these efforts, Restore supplied new literacy materials, flashcards, phonics resources, and teaching manuals, giving educators additional tools to create engaging, student-centered classrooms.

SAFE HOUSE

The Safe House is now home to 25 girls, reaching full capacity this quarter with the arrival of a 10-year-old girl. After experiencing severe abuse, she found safety and was enrolled in the second level of the primary school. Beyond providing a safe home, our team remained deeply involved in each girl's journey through home visits, school visits, counseling, and family engagement. A total of 21 parents attended our first off-site parent meeting, where families gathered to reconnect, celebrate educational milestones, and begin rebuilding relationships. One especially meaningful moment came when a mother reunited with her daughter and asked for forgiveness after years apart. Our team also continued regular school visits and partnered with school leaders to strengthen mental health awareness and address bullying.

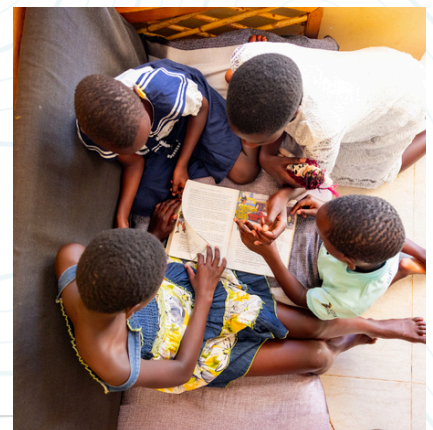
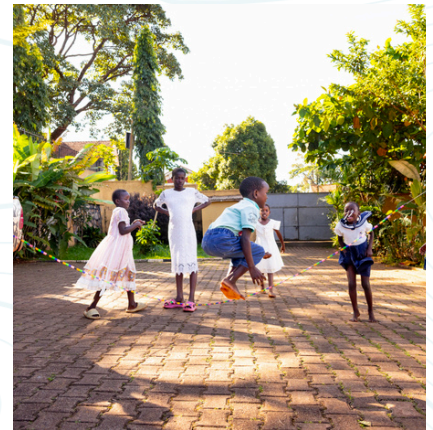
MURCHISON FALLS EXCURSION

One of the most memorable moments of the quarter was a trip to Murchison Falls National Park with the girls from both the Safe House and the Reunification & Boarding Program. Together, they enjoyed a game drive, hiked to the top of the powerful falls, swam, shared snacks on the long road trip, and created memories that will last a lifetime. For many of the girls, this was a rare opportunity to step away from the challenges they have faced and simply enjoy being kids. These experiences create space for healing, strengthen friendships, build confidence, and remind each girl that she is deeply loved and worthy of joy. This special trip was made possible through the generosity of Jeanne and Keith Fishback, whose faithful support has made this treasured tradition possible year after year. It continues to be one of the experiences the girls look forward to most, and one they will never forget.



REUNIFICATION AND BOARDING PROGRAM

The Reunification & Boarding Program continues to walk alongside vulnerable youth long after they leave the Safe House, providing the support they need to succeed in school, strengthen family relationships, and prepare for independent futures. Through ongoing mentorship and care, the team conducted 63 school visits, 45 counseling sessions, 10 home visits, 11 parent and guardian meetings, and 25 hospital visits, ensuring each young person received the academic, emotional, and practical support they needed. Three students graduated from the HALO Training Institute with qualifications in cosmetology, one student earned a university degree in Social Work and Social Administration, and one student was elected Guild Representative Council (GRC) leader at Makerere University Business School. Students also continued developing practical life skills through book-making workshops, university mentorship gatherings, prayer meetings, and "Let's Talk" discussions in Kampala and Gulu that explored topics including addiction recovery, healthy relationships, and wise decision-making. Together, these opportunities continue to equip our students with the confidence, character, and leadership skills they need to build bright futures.



MARGRET'S JOURNEY OF LEADERSHIP

Through years of mentorship and support from the Reunification and Boarding program, Margret has grown into a confident young leader. In May, she represented the Reunification and Boarding Program at the African Youth Leaders Forum in Kenya, where she participated alongside young leaders from different countries and attended the Kenyan National Prayer Breakfast. Throughout the conference, Margret actively engaged in discussions, asked thoughtful questions, and contributed meaningfully to conversations. Her confidence and leadership stood out, earning her the award of "Most Participative Young Leader."

For many of our youth, opportunities like these seem beyond reach. Margret's achievement serves as a powerful reminder that with mentorship, education, and encouragement, vulnerable youth can become influential leaders who make a positive impact in their communities and beyond.

"When everyone else turned their backs on me, I met a new family in the Youth Corps."

Margret

"Seeing our youth smile, overcome challenges, and celebrate their achievements this quarter reminded me that every effort we make is worth it."

Reunification and Boarding Staff Member



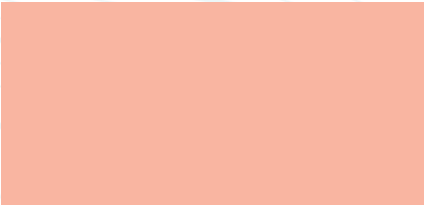
SOMALIA

Somalia

GIRLS LEADERSHIP ACADEMIES

The Girls Leadership Academies in Mogadishu and Dhusamareb continued providing education, leadership development, and holistic support to 395 young women as they prepare for graduation later this year. Students participated in workshops focused on civic participation, entrepreneurship, peacebuilding, democracy, climate resilience, community development, and human rights. Rather than simply learning these subjects, students identified challenges within their own communities, designed practical solutions, and presented their ideas to leaders from civil society organizations and public institutions.

Students also explored Somalia's political transition through guest lectures and facilitated discussions that encouraged thoughtful dialogue and critical thinking while reinforcing that meaningful citizenship extends far beyond voting. The voluntary leadership program continued to grow as students completed additional training in community leadership, peacebuilding, and human rights, earning certificates that will support future university and employment opportunities. More importantly, many students began shifting their perspective from asking what career they wanted to pursue to asking how they could serve and strengthen their communities.



PRIMARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL

Despite rising food prices and increasing financial pressure on families, enrollment remained steady with 120 students attending the Love Does Primary School in Mogadishu. As household budgets continue to tighten, the feeding program has become much more than nutritional support. It helps ease financial burdens on families while ensuring children arrive at school ready to learn. Teachers continue to see the impact as students are better able to concentrate, participate in class, and remain engaged throughout the school day. Inside the classroom, teachers focused on building strong educational foundations by meeting students where they are academically. Lessons emphasized literacy, numeracy, language development, confidence, and social skills, helping children develop the tools they need to continue learning well beyond the classroom. The Primary School also continues to support young mothers by providing childcare and early learning for their children, allowing them to pursue their own education and vocational training while investing in their family's future.



MIDDLE SCHOOL

At our Middle School in Dhusamareb, 152 students attend daily, reflecting the continued commitment of families who prioritize education despite ongoing economic challenges. Students remain actively engaged both inside and outside the classroom through extracurricular activities that encourage teamwork, responsibility, and community involvement. Teachers maintain close communication with parents to support attendance, wellbeing, and academic progress, reinforcing the strong partnership between schools and families. Conversations throughout the quarter also highlighted how much families value not only the education their children receive, but also the consistency, mentorship, and safe environment the school provides.





SAFE HOUSE

Throughout the quarter, the Safe House continued providing emergency shelter, protection, case management, psychosocial support, and legal referrals for women and girls escaping sexual and gender-based violence. For many survivors, this is the first place where they can experience safety after living in crisis. From there, women are connected to counseling, education, vocational opportunities, childcare, and additional support services as they begin rebuilding their lives at their own pace. The goal has never been temporary shelter alone. Every woman who leaves the Safe House does so with greater confidence, stronger support systems, and renewed opportunities to shape the next chapter of her life.



BABY HOME

This quarter, the Love Does Baby Home welcomed a baby boy only a few weeks old who was found abandoned and safely brought into the care of Elman Peace Center through a long-standing partnership with local authorities. He received medical care and transitioned into the Baby Home to receive individual attention, close medical observation, and the loving care every child deserves during their earliest days. While his story is heartbreaking, it also reflects the broader work happening across Somalia. Strong partnerships with hospitals, police, community leaders, and vulnerable mothers have helped prevent many abandonments before they occur by providing counseling, medical referrals, education, childcare, and practical support to women in crisis. Many of the babies arrived under heartbreaking circumstances, yet today they are growing into healthy, curious, joyful children surrounded by safety, consistency, belonging, and love.

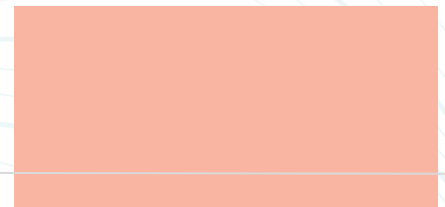
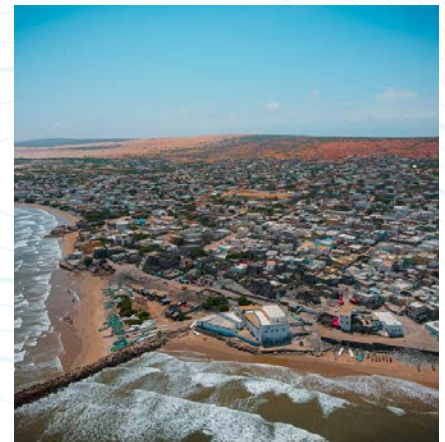
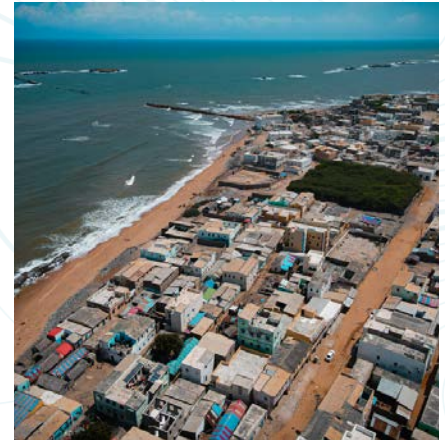


BARAAWE WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER

This quarter was spent laying the foundation for the official launch of the Baraawe Women's Resource Center, with the focus shifting from construction to preparing the programs that will soon serve women in the community. The center is designed to be a place where women can gain practical skills, receive mentorship, and build sustainable livelihoods that create long-term opportunities for themselves and their families.

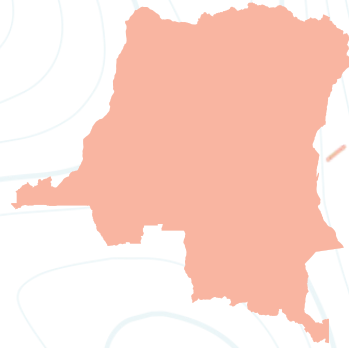
In the coming months, women will begin enrolling in the first vocational training cohorts as mentorship programs, entrepreneurship training, and business development initiatives officially begin. The goal is to equip women with the knowledge, confidence, and resources needed to turn new skills into lasting economic opportunities while refining the model for future expansion.

The Women's Resource Center is also part of a much larger network of support across Love Does Somalia. Women connected through the Safe House and other programs will have opportunities to continue their journey through vocational training, entrepreneurship, childcare, education, and ongoing mentorship. By connecting these services, women are not only able to find immediate support during difficult seasons but also practical pathways toward independence and long-term stability.



DR CONGO

DR Congo

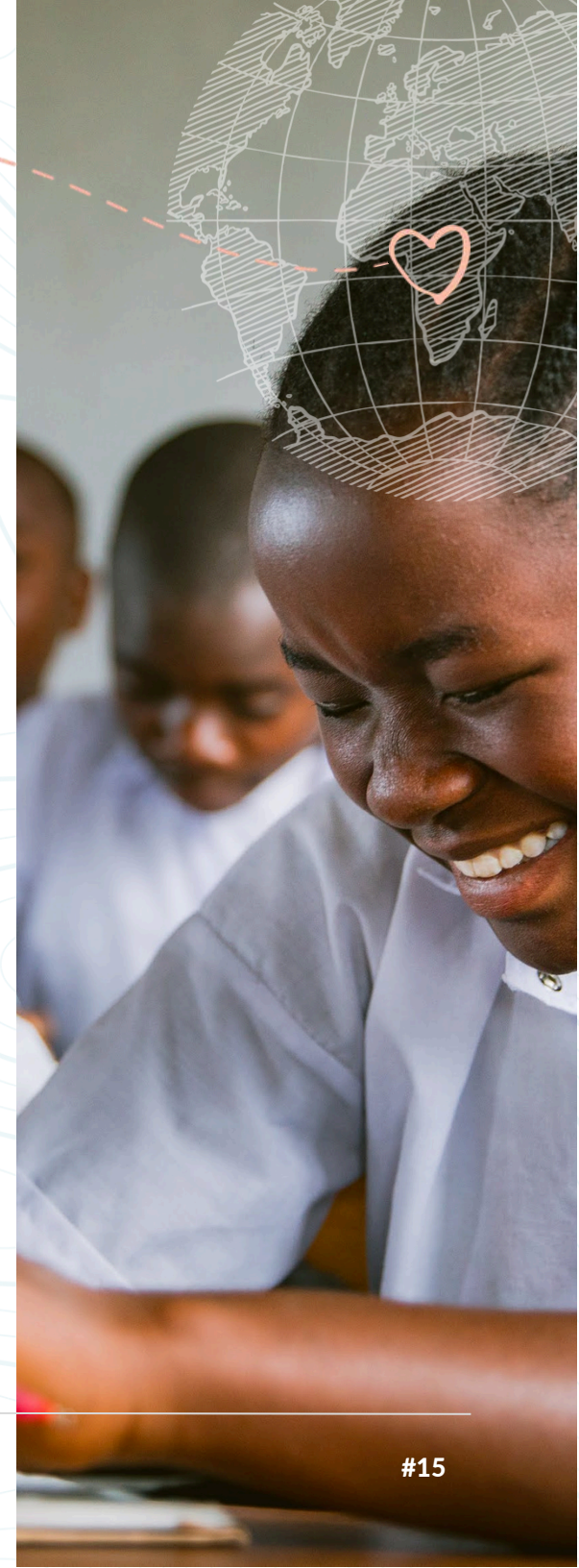


LOVE DOES SCHOOL

As this school year came to a close, our students celebrated the completion of their exams and gathered together for a joyful final assembly on July 2. It was a meaningful way to recognize their hard work and the resilience they have shown throughout the year.

This quarter also brought new challenges. In May, a new Ebola outbreak was announced in eastern DR Congo. While the outbreak began outside the province where we serve, the reduced humanitarian resources available in the Democratic Republic of the Congo have increased concern about the disease's potential spread. In response, our schools have added handwashing stations, disinfectant supplies, thermometers, and Ebola awareness training for both students and staff. These preventative measures will continue to expand in the months ahead as we work to keep our school community safe.

Despite the uncertainty surrounding the outbreak, our schools have remained open, and students have continued learning without interruption. Even in difficult circumstances, the classroom remains a place of stability, hope, and opportunity for every child who walks through our doors.



FOUNDATIONS FOR GROWTH

This quarter, we completed the wall around our school property as the first step toward building a future playground. While there's still more work to do, the impact of this project has already been significant. Over the past year, people from the surrounding community had been coming onto the school grounds after hours, often damaging the flowers and gardens our students had worked hard to plant. Since the wall was completed, that has stopped. Our principal shared that students and teachers feel much safer, and the school has become a more peaceful place to learn. One of the things we're most excited about is being able to plant the school garden again. It's a small change, but one that means a lot to the students and the entire school community.

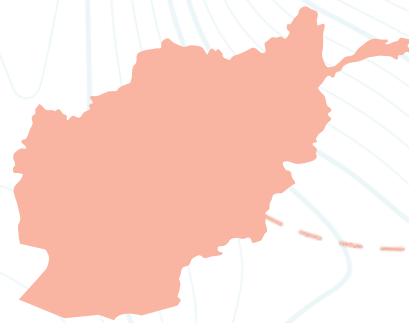
"Thank you so much for building the wall! I have so much joy over my school! It affects the teachers, the students, and the families of this community when they see how beautiful the school looks, and how safe it now is. That God would bless you for thinking of us! That God would give you good health and peace all the days of your life."

Principal at Love Does Primary School



AFGHANISTAN

Afghanistan



LOVE DOES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Despite the ongoing challenges facing education in Afghanistan, our school continues to be a place of stability, learning, and hope for 150 students. This quarter local authorities increased pressure on schools to separate girls and boys into different classrooms beyond third grade. School visits have become more frequent and the tone has grown increasingly intimidating for our staff. Through it all, our team remains steadfast. While the circumstances around us continue to change, the laughter in the classrooms and the opportunity to learn remain a powerful reminder of why this work matters.

During this quarter, additional humanitarian assistance was provided to vulnerable and low-income families within the community. Food packages were prepared and distributed to support each family for a full month, helping them meet their basic nutritional needs and reducing some of the immediate pressure on their daily lives. Beneficiaries, mainly families of our students and neighbors of the school, expressed deep gratitude for this support and shared that it made a meaningful difference during a very difficult period.



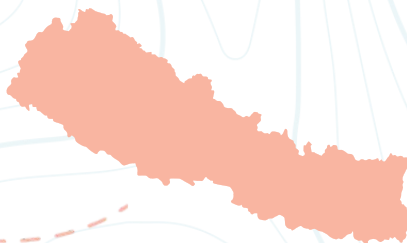
LEARNING BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

A new door opened this quarter for young women who thought their education had come to an end. In Afghanistan, girls are not allowed to continue their education beyond sixth grade. We wanted to create another path forward. We opened a workshop where these young women are learning tailoring from two instructors. It's a place where they can spend time together, build confidence, and continue growing in an environment where they are known and encouraged. This new program is giving them practical skills that can create new opportunities for the future. The first items they made were scarves and head coverings.

BREATHING AGAIN

After graduating from sixth grade at the Love Does School, Salima's education came to an abrupt halt, like so many girls in Afghanistan. With no opportunity to continue her studies, she spent months at home feeling isolated and uncertain about her future. *"After graduation, I had nowhere to go. Every morning I woke up wondering how I would spend another day. I would sit in my room for hours, staring at the same four walls. It felt like my life had stopped."* When Love Does launched computer classes, Salima wanted to continue learning, but her parents feared the consequences if anyone discovered she was attending. Then came a new opportunity. Love Does opened a tailoring workshop exclusively for girls, creating a safe place where young women could continue learning and preparing for their futures. Knowing the workshop was for women only, her parents gave their permission. *"The moment I heard the news, it felt as though a weight had been lifted from my shoulders. For the first time in months, I felt excited about the future."* Today, Salima is learning practical skills, rebuilding her confidence, and finding hope again. *"I am once again breathing."*





NEPAL

Nepal

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

This quarter brought unexpected changes to our after-school program in Nepal. The building where classes had been meeting was demolished as part of a government park development project. Although we were initially told a newly constructed building would be available for us to use, those plans changed at the last minute, leaving our team searching for another place to gather. Rather than pause the program, our staff quickly adapted and reopened in a smaller space nearby allowing the after school care to continue. Meeting in the new location provided the students with a space to connect with others, receive educational assistance, and receive a daily meal. Despite the recent move, these students continue showing up because of the community they have built together.

"Where there is love, there is hope, and where there is hope, there is action. Love is what we receive from the children. Hope is what you give us through your continued support. Action is the result of both coming together to make a difference."

Rabi, After-School Director



GIRLS HOME

Life at the Girls Home continues to be filled with growth and encouragement. Two of the girls are thriving in college, and even had the opportunity to travel to Pokhara with their college, creating memories and experiences that will stay with them for years to come. Additionally, two girls are continuing their high school education and the four younger girls are also doing well in school and enjoying the opportunities they have to learn and grow each day. Our house managers, Kiran and his wife, Nisha, continue to faithfully care for the girls, creating a loving home.



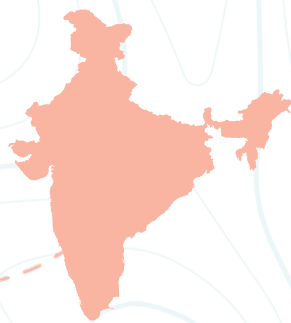
DRUG AND REHAB CENTER

The Drug & Rehab Center continues to be a place of hope and restoration for individuals seeking a new beginning. This quarter, the number of clients in the program grew from 18 to 26, reflecting the increasing need for recovery services within the community. Each new person who walks through the doors represents another life choosing hope over addiction. We are grateful to see the program continuing to expand its impact as more individuals find the support, care, and encouragement they need on their journey toward healing.



BRICK FACTORY SCHOOL

Despite ongoing economic uncertainty in Nepal and an unusually wet winter that affected brick production, the Brick Factory School has continued to be a place of learning, stability, and joy for children whose families work in the brick kilns. Parents remain deeply grateful for the opportunity their children have to receive an education while they work hard to provide for their families. One highlight this quarter was the school's annual picnic, which gave students a chance to step away from the classroom, build friendships, and share a meal together.



INDIA

India

LOVE DOES HOME

At the Love Does Home, children continued to receive the daily care, stability, and educational support they need to thrive. Our team had the opportunity to come alongside two young women who had recently arrived in Bangalore. They were provided with temporary housing, helped secure employment, and walked through this transition with encouragement, guidance, and a safe place to land. Today, every child in our care has a safe place to live, access to education, nutritious meals, and the consistent support they need to flourish.

IMPACTFUL STORY

One of the girls in the home was selected as a student leader at school after working toward this goal for the past two years. This achievement didn't happen overnight. Through perseverance, growing confidence, and a willingness to keep learning, she gradually stepped into greater responsibility and became someone others naturally looked to for encouragement and support. Being chosen as a student leader reflects the growth we've had the privilege of witnessing as she has learned to lead with humility, serve classmates well, and set an example through both words and actions.

SCHOOL IN MANIPUR

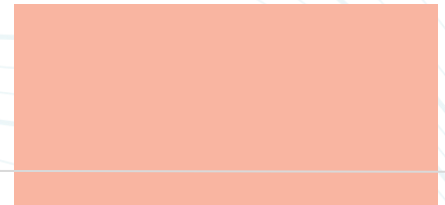
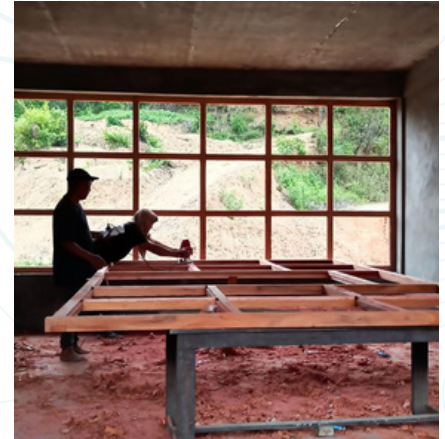
Construction of the Manipur village school continued despite weather delays, transportation challenges, and rising material costs. Every step forward brings us closer to opening a school that will provide children in this community with access to education and new opportunities for years to come. This school will be a place of hope, learning, and a brighter future for the children. Parents expressed feeling encouraged knowing that their children will have a safe and better environment to study, grow, and discover their potential.

"We appreciate everyone who worked and contributed to make this dream a reality. Your kindness has brought a great blessing to our community and has given our children a reason to dream bigger."

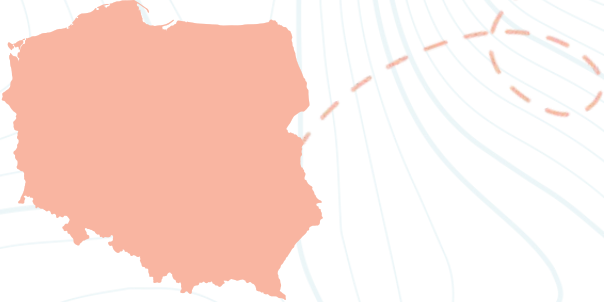
Parent in the Village

"We believe education is a powerful way to transform lives, restore dignity, and open doors to new possibilities. We remain passionate about this work because every child deserves the chances to dream, grow, and reach their full potential. Through the children's home and the village school program, we are not only caring for children today but also investing in a brighter future for the entire community."

Aphao, Country Director



POLAND



LOVE DOES PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL

Hope continues to grow, even in the midst of uncertainty. As the war in Ukraine continues, our students are rebuilding their lives in Poland while navigating displacement, separation from loved ones, and the challenges of adapting to a new country. This quarter, we strengthened Polish-language instruction, expanded career guidance, and continued equipping teachers with Polish pedagogical qualifications to better prepare students for higher education and life in Poland. We celebrated a record end-of-year celebration, honoring 37 graduates as they completed high school and prepared for university, language certification exams, and future careers. Through our Launch Program, 9 students received scholarships to continue their education. Throughout the year, students engaged in experiences that strengthened their sense of identity, fostered community, and expanded their horizons. They celebrated their Ukrainian identity during Vyshyvanka Day, built friendships at a mountain retreat, explored future opportunities through a visit to the Warsaw School of Economics, and represented the school internationally when a student won a karate competition in Kazakhstan. Every opportunity this quarter, both inside and outside the classroom, was designed to help students discover that despite the hardships they have endured, their future is still filled with hope.

"After we left Ukraine, every adult asked me if I was safe. At this school, someone finally asked me what I wanted to become. That was the first moment I understood that my life had not ended, it had only changed."

Student at the Love Does School

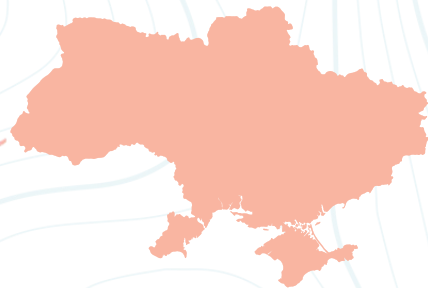


POLAND VISION TRIP

Thank you to everyone who joined us for an incredible Vision Trip to Poland in June. It was a meaningful week spent alongside our students, staff, and community as we celebrated the power of education and the resilience of Ukrainian families. We spent time at the Love Does School in Warsaw, meeting with teachers and learning how the school continues to provide stability, belonging, and opportunity for students who have been displaced by war. Through conversations with staff and families, they gained a deeper understanding of the challenges our students have faced and the hope that education brings each day. During the Dream Big Dinner, we shared a meal with scholarship applicants and heard firsthand how education is opening doors for their futures. Students shared their dreams, their goals, and the journeys that brought them to this moment, giving everyone around the table a deeper appreciation for the life-changing impact of educational opportunity.

The week was filled with celebrations as guests helped prepare for and attend both the primary and secondary school graduations. Following the primary school graduation, everyone gathered for a Joy Festival where we celebrated together with face painting, hair braiding, games, and lots of dancing. After the secondary school graduation, we celebrated at prom, marking an important milestone for these kids and creating memories they will carry with them for years to come. Thank you to everyone who traveled with us, encouraged our students, and invested in their futures. Your presence made this week one our students and staff will not soon forget.





UKRAINE

Ukraine

LOVE DOES BOUTIQUE AND WORKSHOPS

In April, mothers who had already given birth were invited back to join expectant mothers for a workshop led by our psychologist, Natalia, focused on life after delivery. Together, they shared honest conversations about exhaustion, fear, loneliness, and navigating motherhood during war. Mothers who had already welcomed their babies encouraged those still waiting to give birth, offering practical wisdom and hope.

One mother's story deeply impacted us. While her husband, a soldier, was away receiving medical treatment, she went into labor during an air raid. Emergency responders were unable to reach her because roads were blocked, forcing her to give birth alone at home. Just weeks earlier, she had shared how difficult it was to face another pregnancy without her husband, and tragically, she also experienced childbirth alone. Her story is a powerful reminder that even life's most sacred moments continue to be shaped by the realities of war.

On Children's Day, the Boutique welcomed many of these mothers back as 85 care packages, each containing 12 essential items for mother and baby, were distributed through the maternity hospital. The gathering reunited women who had first met during pregnancy workshops and returned carrying their newborns. One mother shared how much she had missed the community. As the program continues to grow, what began as a way to meet practical needs has become a lasting community where women affected by war are finding strength, support, and hope together.

PRAYER FOR CHILDREN'S DAY

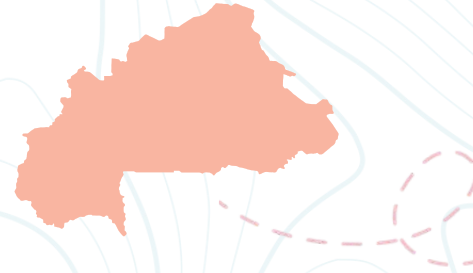
Dear Ukrainian child, on Children's Day, I wish that the sounds you know are birds singing, not air-raid sirens. I wish that the only queue you ever stand in is for ice cream, not for humanitarian aid. May basements remind you only of jars of preserves, never of places to hide. I wish that you never learn to tell a Shahed drone from a missile. May the word Superhumans make you think of a hero, not of the place your father had to go after losing his legs. May your parents always be beside you, not in the trenches. I wish that you could run around the playground with your friends, instead of doing your homework on the floor of a metro station. I wish that you were born in a clean hospital room, not in a shelter beneath the building. Dear child, although I will never forget you, what I want most is for you not to remember me. Not to remember that, for a short while, I was part of your life. Not to remember my reflective vest, the packages I brought, or my name. If I could have just one wish for you, it would be exactly this: may you grow up in a strong and free Ukraine, and may you never remember the hell you endured as a child.

Written by: Annemarie, Ukraine Program Manager



BURKINA FASO

Burkina Faso



LOVE DOES SCHOOL

Our school in Burkina is thriving with 263 students enrolled across preschool, primary, and secondary school! The school year concluded with outstanding academic results. Every student advanced to the next grade level, resulting in a 100% promotion rate. On the national end-of-cycle exams, our students achieved a 100% pass rate on the Primary School Certificate (CEP) and a 72.72% pass rate on the Lower Secondary School Certificate (BEPC), placing the Love Does School among the top-performing schools in the country. We are so proud of our students!

As word of these results has spread, families throughout the community are eager to enroll their children for the coming school year. The Ministry of National Education, local leaders, and parents continue to recognize the impact the school is having on students and the surrounding community.

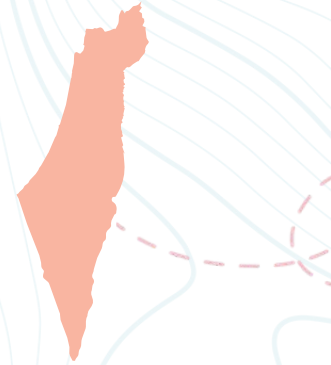
Beyond the classroom, our Rice & Veggies food program has continued to meet an urgent need for families facing food insecurity. One community member shared, *"You are doing a truly meaningful work; you care for the body, soul, and spirit. I have never seen anything like it."* We are especially encouraged by the transformation we continue to see in our students. Children are now finding stability, discipline, and hope through education, reminding us that the impact of this school reaches far beyond academics.





ISRAEL

Israel



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

As students returned to school following the aftermath of the war, many carried the weight of fear, uncertainty, and emotional exhaustion. Re-engaging with school took time, but through consistent care and encouragement, we watched hope slowly begin to return. One of the most meaningful additions this quarter was our partnership with second-year master's students in psychology, who worked alongside our teachers to provide emotional support for students. Together, they created safe spaces where students could process their experiences, ask questions, and begin looking toward the future again. We also hosted a workshop called *"What Do You Want to Be When You Grow Up?"*, helping students discover their strengths and imagine new possibilities for their lives.

The quarter wasn't without moments of joy. A school-wide general knowledge competition brought laughter and excitement back to campus, giving students a chance to celebrate their accomplishments after an incredibly difficult season. As final exams approached, we saw remarkable growth. Students who had returned feeling discouraged regained confidence, stayed engaged in their studies, and successfully completed the school year. Parents also played an important role, faithfully partnering with teachers to support their children every step of the way.



IMPACTFUL STORY

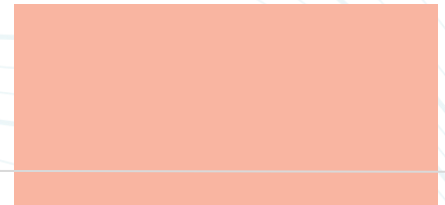
A psychology student spent several hours meeting individually with a 16-year-old female student who had been struggling both emotionally and academically. By the end of their time together, her outlook had completely changed. She began asking questions about her future, exploring opportunities she had never considered, and believing that her story was still being written. Sometimes the greatest lesson a student can learn is that hope is still possible.

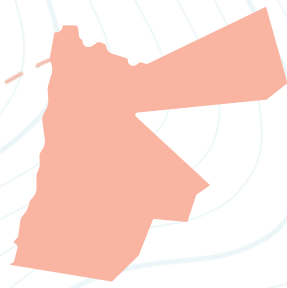
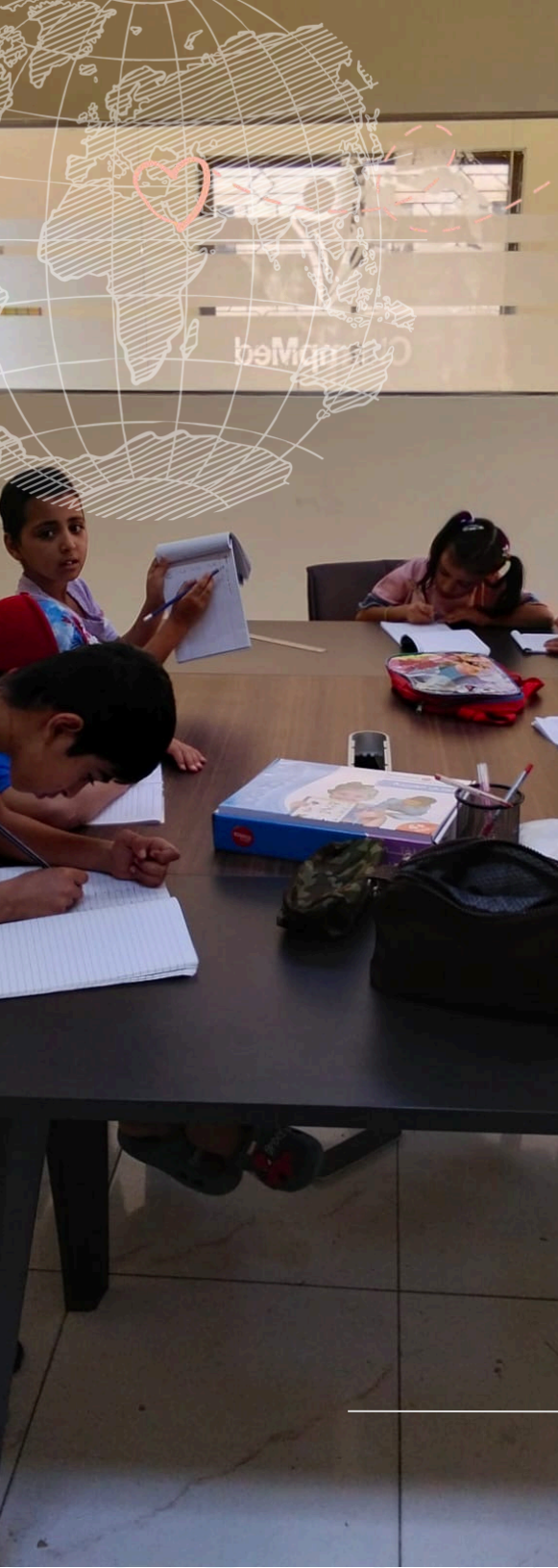
"At first, I didn't feel like studying anymore, but the support from my teachers and the activities helped me believe in myself again."

Student at the After School Program.

"This quarter reminded us that education is about much more than academics. Helping students regain hope, confidence, and motivation after such a difficult time has been one of the most meaningful parts of our work."

Samar, Country Director





JORDAN

Jordan

LOVE DOES COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER

The need in Jordan continues to grow as more children arrive at our learning center after missing months, and often years, of education because of displacement and instability. This quarter, enrollment increased from 30 to 55 students. To better support our students, we welcomed a psychologist from Nazareth and partnered with a speech and hearing specialist, while volunteers continued providing individualized learning support for children with additional needs. One story from this quarter captures the heart of the program. Two sisters, ages 12 and 7, came to our center hoping to learn. The older sister shared that she had prayed all the way there that we would say yes. Although our classes were full, we made room for her. Her younger sister, who is seriously ill, wasn't old enough to join a class, but one of our volunteers sat with her individually, teaching her how to hold a pencil and write the number one. She left smiling, asking if she could give everyone a kiss and offering us a small sticker from her headscarf. As we prepare for a summer camp, an end-of-year celebration, and the distribution of school supplies, we continue exploring ways to expand our program so more children can experience the hope that education brings.

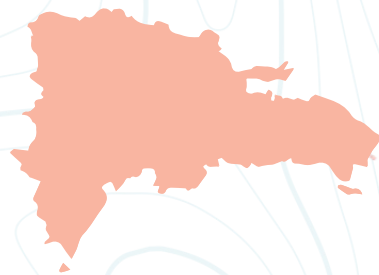
"Sometimes the greatest challenge is not teaching, it is finding a way to say yes when every resource tells you to say no. Every child who walks through our doors deserves hope, love, and the opportunity to learn, and that is why this work matters so deeply to me."

Samar. Country Director.

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER

Growth continued across the Love Does Women's Resource Center in Sosúa this quarter as more women took meaningful steps toward building brighter futures for themselves and their families. As violence against women continues to rise across the region, our psychology program now serves 65 active cases, providing individual counseling, family support, and couples therapy while increasing community education focused on violence prevention and healthy relationships. Vocational training remained a cornerstone of the center with training in bartending and manicure & pedicure. 21 women graduated from our basic English program, preparing them for careers in tourism and customer service. Students continue to strengthen their skills through workshops, peer mentoring, and practical training designed to support employment and entrepreneurship. This quarter, we also hosted a free ophthalmology clinic that provided vision screenings and eye care consultations for more than 30 women and their families, further supporting the health and well-being of the community.

"I used to think that computers and business strategies were only for people who went to big universities. Coming to these classes in Sosúa has shown me that I am fully capable of learning technology. This program has changed how I see my future."

Jenny Joseph, Student of the Entrepreneurship & Computer Program





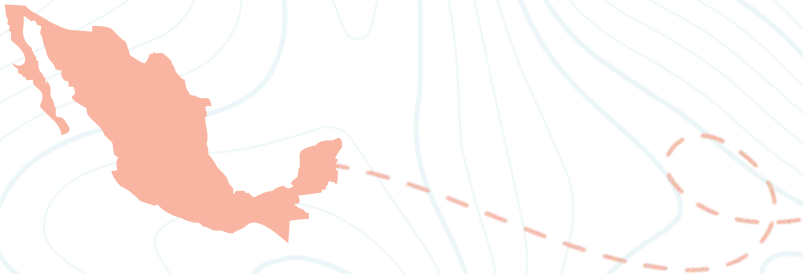
PRESCHOOLS

Despite heavy rains, flooding, and ongoing migration challenges that disrupted attendance throughout the quarter, our preschools remained places of learning, stability, and joy for children and their families. Students made meaningful progress in vocabulary, motor skills, social-emotional development, classroom behavior, and Spanish language acquisition, helping prepare many to confidently transition into first grade. Family engagement also remained a priority through Mother's Day celebrations, parent meetings, and classroom activities, all of which strengthened the connection between home and school. Learning extended beyond the classroom through hands-on experiences like our preschool garden, where children learned to care for plants while helping grow food that could be used in school meals or shared with their families. Creative activities, books, crafts, clay, and group learning continued to build confidence and curiosity, while graduation celebrations honored students as they completed preschool and prepared for their next chapter.

IMPACTFUL STORY

One student began the school year struggling to interact with classmates, follow instructions, and participate in the classroom. Throughout the year, with consistent patience, encouragement, and support from his teachers, he gradually learned to communicate with others, engage in classroom activities, and grow more confident in his learning. By the end of the quarter, he was participating, completing his schoolwork, and building positive relationships with his classmates. When children are met with patience, love, and guidance, lasting transformation is possible.

MEXICO



LOVE DOES PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL

At the Love Does School in Mexico, every classroom tells the story of resilience. As violence and instability continue to force families from their homes, more children are arriving at the refugee camp searching not only for safety, but for a chance to learn. This quarter, our school served 95 students with a dedicated team of 10 staff members, providing education from primary school through high school, along with classes for adult learners.

The growing refugee community has also brought new challenges. Increased demand on local infrastructure has led to frequent power outages, disrupting classroom technology and administrative work. At the same time, the need for mental health support continues to grow as families arrive carrying the trauma of displacement and violence.

Even in the midst of these challenges, students continue to lead with compassion. Secondary and high school students volunteered their time to help care for the campus, organized Children's Day activities for younger students, and launched a small student-run business that will help fund future youth programs and camps. This quarter also included community soccer matches, campus service projects, and the first women's gathering, which brought together mothers, students, graduates, and women from throughout the refugee community to build meaningful relationships.



IMPACTFUL STORY

One student who especially inspired us this quarter is Melanie. After fleeing violence in Michoacán with her mother and her sister, who has a disability, she arrived at the Love Does School having lost hope of ever attending university. Today, she is growing in confidence, finding her voice, and dreaming again.

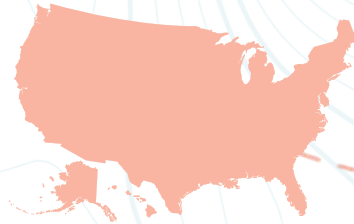
Reflecting on her journey, Melanie shared, *"What I learned at the Love Does School is to do everything with love, and in love comes hope and faith. Those are true words that mean so much to me. That is what it means to have hope."*

Stories like Melanie's remind us why this work matters. In a place where thousands of people have been displaced by violence, love is changing lives one student at a time. As children begin to resolve conflict differently, encourage one another, and believe their futures can look different from their pasts, we are seeing hope take root in remarkable ways.



UNITED STATES

United States



SINGLE MOM PROGRAMS

Community remained at the heart of the program throughout the quarter. Nearly 30 moms and their children gathered to celebrate Easter with a shared meal, crafts, games, face painting, and an Easter egg hunt, creating joyful memories together. We also celebrated Mother's Day with the moms at the Lindsay School, providing gifts and encouragement. Beyond these celebrations, we continued strengthening partnerships with local organizations to expand access to educational resources, parenting support, and essential services for the families we serve. Approximately 40 local moms were served each month through the Love Does Boutique. During monthly shopping days, mothers were able to select clothing, hygiene items, baby essentials, and other everyday necessities, helping relieve financial burdens while creating opportunities for connection and encouragement.

IMPACTFUL STORY

After receiving clothing, baby essentials, and practical support while raising her two daughters, a mother stopped by the Love Does Boutique, one final time to share exciting news. She was getting married and no longer needed our services! As she thanked our team for walking alongside her during one of the hardest seasons of her life, we were reminded that one of the greatest measures of success is seeing families reach a place where they no longer need us. Celebrating that moment with her was both joyful and deeply meaningful and a beautiful picture of what can happen when practical support is paired with hope, community, and consistent care.



SINGLE MOM HOME

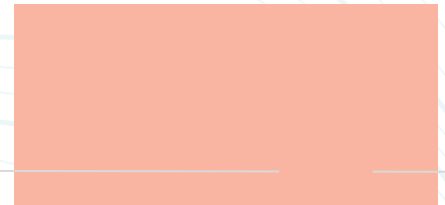
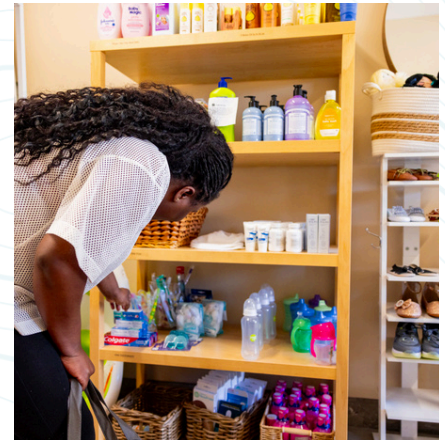
The Love Does Single Mom Home continues to provide a place of stability, encouragement, and hope for mothers who are pursuing higher education while raising their children. As the cost of housing, childcare, transportation, and groceries continues to rise across San Diego, the need for safe housing and practical support has only grown. This quarter, the home remained at full capacity. We also celebrated several incredible milestones. Three moms graduated with their Associate's degrees, each taking an exciting next step toward greater independence. One graduate accepted a position as a social worker, another was accepted to San Diego State University to pursue her bachelor's degree, and a third successfully transitioned out of the Love Does Home, relocating to Texas where she is now living independently while continuing her education.

"For the first time in a long time, I feel like I have hope. Having a safe place to live while I finish school has changed everything for me and my child."

A Mom at the Love Does Home

IMPACTFUL STORY

One of the most inspiring stories this quarter comes from a mom in the Love Does Home who is raising her 9-month-old daughter while attending college. After being out of school for several years, the thought of returning to the classroom while caring for an infant felt overwhelming. Yet this semester, she earned straight A's, balancing motherhood, coursework, and the responsibilities of daily life with incredible determination. She often shares that having stable housing and a strong support system has given her the confidence to pursue the future she once thought was out of reach. Watching her discover what she is capable of has been a powerful reminder of why this program exists.



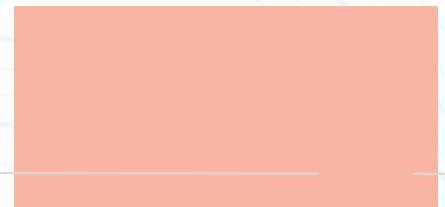
SAN QUENTIN PRISON PROGRAM

The Love Does team visited San Quentin to distribute Dream Big scholarship applications and connect with participants in our education program. In July, we awarded four additional scholarships, bringing the total number of scholarships provided to more than 24 incarcerated individuals. To date, four scholarship recipients have graduated with bachelor's or master's degrees.

As San Quentin continues expanding its educational offerings to include free bachelor's degree programs, Love Does is shifting its focus to provide scholarships for master's degree studies, helping fill an important gap in higher education opportunities. We are also exploring a joint venture social enterprise at San Quentin, with additional updates to be shared this fall. Through each of these efforts, we remain committed to investing deeply in long-term relationships at San Quentin and creating opportunities that have lasting impact.

TRANSITIONAL PROGRAM

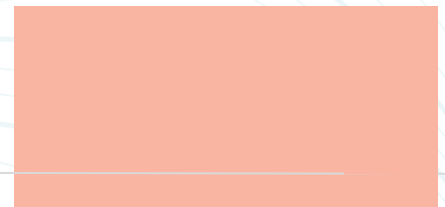
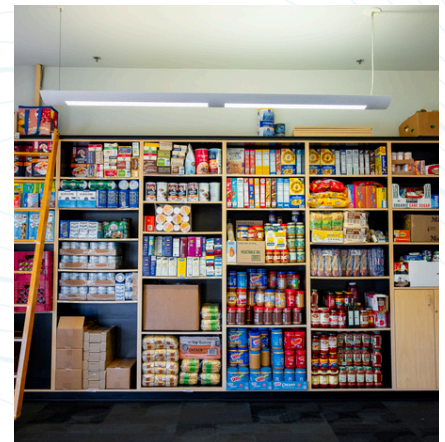
This quarter, we hosted another community Zoom gathering, bringing together more than 20 formerly incarcerated individuals from San Quentin and the surrounding community. During the meeting, participants shared personal stories of overcoming the mental barriers that often stand in the way of achieving their goals, fostering encouragement and meaningful connection. We also welcomed a recently paroled individual from San Quentin who graduated from the Love Does Educational Scholarship Program with a bachelor's degree in Sociology and Social Work. As our community continues to grow, we launched a group chat to provide daily encouragement, celebrate milestones, and strengthen the lasting friendships being built through the program.



MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Rising grocery prices, increased transportation costs, and reductions in food assistance have all contributed to a growing need within our community. With schools out for the summer, many parents also face the added challenge of replacing the meals their children normally receive during the school day. In response, the Love Does Mobile Food Pantry has continued to grow. This quarter, we expanded our network to 19 community partners, working alongside local organizations each week to distribute fresh groceries where they are needed most. Together, we now consistently serve more than 125 families every week, providing nutritious food while building meaningful relationships throughout the community. Food is distributed throughout San Diego alongside trusted community partners, including the Love Does Single Mom Home, Monarch School, Haitian Refugee Community Center, Tizon Senior Home, Aurora Apartments, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Mid-City Nazarene Church, Surrendered Ministries, Barrio Logan College Institute, San Ysidro Senior Center, OPSAM Health, Presidio Palms Apartments, and additional neighborhood partners who help ensure families have reliable access to nutritious food.

A major milestone this quarter was the launch of the Love Does Food Rescue Hub, our new kitchen and distribution space. The hub serves as a central location where volunteers gather to prepare grocery deliveries, organize food from local food drives, grocery partners, and the San Diego Food Bank, and stock essential items before they reach families. This new space has significantly expanded our ability to respond to the growing need across the city. We also welcomed four new volunteers this quarter. Their commitment has helped expand weekly grocery deliveries and ensure more families receive consistent support. As the need continues to grow, we remain grateful for every partnership and every volunteer who helps make this work possible.



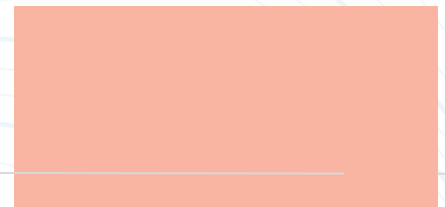
IMPACTFUL STORY

One of the highlights of this quarter was spending time listening to the stories of the people behind our Food Program. Alongside our photographer and videographer, Tyler Wohlford, we visited several distribution sites throughout San Diego to hear firsthand how consistent access to groceries has impacted families.

One story that especially stood out was Samira's. For more than three years, she has faithfully received food through the program, and hearing her reflect on the difference it has made for her family was a powerful reminder that this work is about much more than groceries. It is about showing up consistently, building relationships, and reminding people they are not alone.

This quarter also provided meaningful opportunities to strengthen partnerships throughout the community. We once again joined the San Diego Police Department's Gang Prevention Unit at Cesar Chavez Elementary School, where officers and Love Does volunteers packed and distributed grocery bags to families together. Seeing local law enforcement serve alongside our team was a powerful example of trust being built through practical acts of care.

The local church also played an important role this quarter. Park Hill Church hosted a food drive that filled the back of our mobile food pantry, while Rock Church joined us in delivering groceries directly to families in one of the neighborhoods we serve each week. These partnerships continue to remind us that when a community comes together, hope multiplies and more families receive the care they need.





REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM

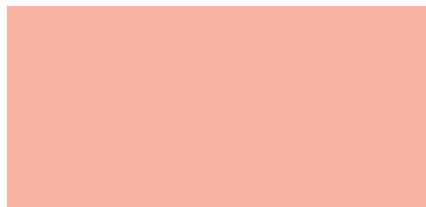
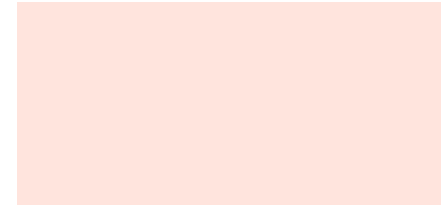
This quarter, we hosted a community gathering at Snapdragon Stadium, where more than 50 members of our Afghan and Ukrainian refugee community came together to enjoy an FC Heat match. The evening began with a tailgate pizza party, creating space for friendship, celebration, and continued connection. The quarter also marked a special milestone as we celebrated the graduation of one of the first Afghan refugee families we connected with when we began providing food in 2021. Watching their daughter walk across the stage to graduate from 8th grade was a powerful reminder of the long-term impact of walking alongside refugee families as they build new lives. Her graduation represents the hope and opportunity that can grow through consistent support over time.



LOVE DOES IN ACTION CLUBS

This spring, Love Does in Action Clubs across the country turned competition into impact by hosting “Pickleball for a Purpose” tournaments. Each tournament was a pay-to-play event, with every dollar raised supporting the construction of Restore University in Uganda. More than just a fundraiser, these events created opportunities for students to invite friends, build community, and be part of something that will impact future generations. Together, they are helping build a university that will equip and empower leaders for years to come. Love Does staff got to join in on the fun with students at Belmont, Lipscomb, Duke, Auburn, and Ole Miss for their tournaments. Alongside the pickleball competitions, each of these campuses also hosted a Lifeline meal packing event, packing meals for students at our school in Burkina Faso. We are incredibly grateful for these student leaders who continue to use their time, creativity, and influence to serve others. Their willingness to lead with compassion and action inspires us, and we are excited to see the impact they will continue to make on their campuses and beyond. Interested in starting a Love Does in Action Club on your campus this fall? We'd love to hear from you! Reach out to riley@lovedoes.org to learn more.





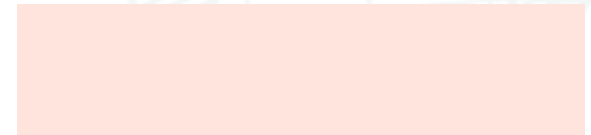
THE HEART BEHIND OUR GENEROUS FRIENDS

"I believe in the good work that Love Does does for the world."

Pat P.

"I read the Love Does book when I was in middle school, but I read it again recently as a married adult, and it encouraged me to take action because - Love Does!"

Connor B.





THANK YOU

Thank You

Thank you for loving and advocating for our friends around the world. Thank you for taking action. Thank you for giving, praying, and sharing. You are making a difference and we couldn't do any of the work we do without you.

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