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“Loving people means caring without an agenda.”

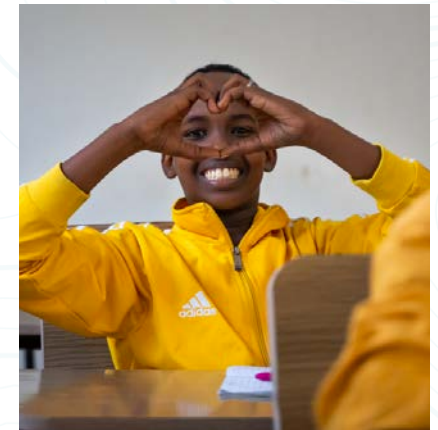
*Bob Goff*

FOUNDER OF LOVE DOES

*Tomorrow's  
Leaders*

## 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, 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, 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, peacebuilding, 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

*Uganda*



## WE MET WITH THE PRESIDENT AND FIRST LADY OF UGANDA!

Some friends of Love Does and our staff traveled to Uganda recently to continue the work for Restore University. Here, we had a meaningful dinner with parliamentary leaders, where Bob introduced his giraffe hand gesture in anticipation of the Giraffe Sanctuary that will be next to the University.

What was particularly special about our trip was our meeting with the First Lady, Janet Kataaha Museveni, and later, President Museveni himself, to discuss our vision for Restore University. It was such an honor to meet with the President and First Lady and to receive a personal endorsement for our plans to open Restore University and the Giraffe Sanctuary. This moment was a highlight for our team and received significant media coverage in the newspaper and on the TV.

Our recent trip was filled with unforgettable moments. We visited our Safe House in Kampala, where the girls' joy and resilience shone through in smiles and dancing. We held a tree-planting ceremony for the future giraffes at Restore University and had discussions about the challenges of starting a university. We also visited Gulu Prison to see the impact of our educational programs. The trip concluded with graduation celebrations, where we graduated students from each level. We kicked off graduation day with a parade, a marching band, and of course balloons! The day was filled with dancing, speeches, and lots of graduates from every level.



# UGANDA

*Uganda*



## RESTORE LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Our Restore Leadership Academy in Uganda continues to provide education to 1,500 students across the nursery, primary, secondary, and A levels. On our recent trip to Uganda, we got to see the progress of the Primary Dorm Expansion which continues to be going well! We can't wait for this to be a place where primary students can receive stable housing and meals as they pursue their education.

Students from Restore Leadership Academy won first place in the regional debate competition organized by the National Debate Council. They competed against seven other schools and their outstanding performance secured them a spot in the National Debate Competition, which will take place in December. We are so proud of this accomplishment for the students of Restore Leadership Academy as it showcases the exceptional talent of our students and the unwavering dedication of our teachers.

In August, Aromorach Brenda, a student from Restore Leadership High School qualified and participated in the East African games in shot put. She competed and won gold the regional level, national level, and at the East African level. This year was her third year competing and her second time winning the gold medal. We are incredibly proud of her achievements and can't wait to see her continue to grow and succeed in the future.



## SAFE HOUSE

The Love Does Safe House currently accommodates 24 girls with the support of three mentors. Thanks to Keith and Jeanne Fishback, the girls had an exciting excursion to the Adrift Overland camp in Kayunga! This trip provided a wonderful opportunity for socializing, adventure, and rejuvenation for those in the Safe House and the Resettlement and Boarding program. We are deeply grateful to Jeanne and Keith for their selfless love and dedication.

## RESETTLEMENT AND BOARDING PROGRAM

We currently have 26 girls, 3 mentors, and 1 counselor in the Resettlement and Boarding Program. This quarter, we enhanced our mentorship and counseling to address challenges such as low self-esteem, poor academic performance, stress, and anxiety, all of which had begun to affect the well-being of our youth.

## AIMA'S JOURNEY TO SUCCESS

One of the girls from the Boarding Program faced emotional and academic struggles, particularly during the holidays. After consistently receiving below-average grades, Aima's depression was found to be linked to her difficulties as a teenage mother. After individualized counseling, she was able to prepare effectively for her exams and gain the confidence needed to tackle her personal challenges. By the end of the quarter, Aima had improved her grades and felt more equipped to face academic difficulties. She is now determined to use her skills in manufacturing door mats to earn a living during the December holidays, showcasing the positive impact of tailored support on her emotional and mental health.

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# SOMALIA

*Somalia*

## GIRLS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The Love Does Girls Leadership Academies in Mogadishu and Dhuusamareeb have made significant strides in their development with over 180 girls enrolled at each school. Our Girls Leadership Academy in Mogadishu focuses on foundational literacy and numeracy while leveraging a network of women mentors who enrich the girls' learning environment. Workshops have been held focusing on public speaking and teamwork which have helped equip students with essential skills.

We also began mirroring this mentorship model in Dhuusamareeb. We have adapted the national curriculum to include innovative learning modules, leadership opportunities, and community involvement, along with comprehensive teacher training to support our students' mental and emotional well-being. Remarkably, we have maintained a 100% retention rate at both schools, defying high dropout trends among adolescent girls in Somalia due to forced marriage and domestic responsibilities.

Recognizing the challenges some students face in being able to afford tuition, we introduced an after-school program to assist those in need. The curriculum for this program integrates community engagement activities, such as climate activism, fostering collaboration, and volunteerism.



## PRIMARY SCHOOL IN MOGADISHU

Our primary school includes an early childhood care class for 100 children under the age of 7. Our class for children aged 0-2 focuses on socialization and cognitive development and serves both the children of Girls Leadership Academy students and those from the Love Does Baby Home. We have two preschool classes for children aged 3-5. These are specifically designed to prepare children for formal schooling through foundational learning. Our two lower primary classes, for ages 5-7, introduce basic subjects such as reading, writing, and mathematics. In this loving environment, we're watching these kids grow into world-changers and we couldn't be more excited for the adventure ahead!

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Middle School in Dhuusamareeb has been performing well as we have introduced civic education into the core curriculum to address rising inter-clan conflicts and political issues. This initiative equips students with knowledge and skills to be informed participants in society, all while developing their critical thinking. Given the ongoing conflict, integrating civic and peace education has become increasingly vital.

## WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER IN BARAAWE

The construction of the Women's Resource Center is progressing well! We've successfully procured essential materials and refined the designs with our local engineer and architect to better withstand potential wave damage as we are located on a beachfront. The center's back will face the ocean and a fence will enclose the area for private beach access, supporting ocean therapy and retreat events. We are so excited for this to be a place where women not only find rest and renewal but also gain the resources and tools they need to grow in their careers and step confidently into their future!



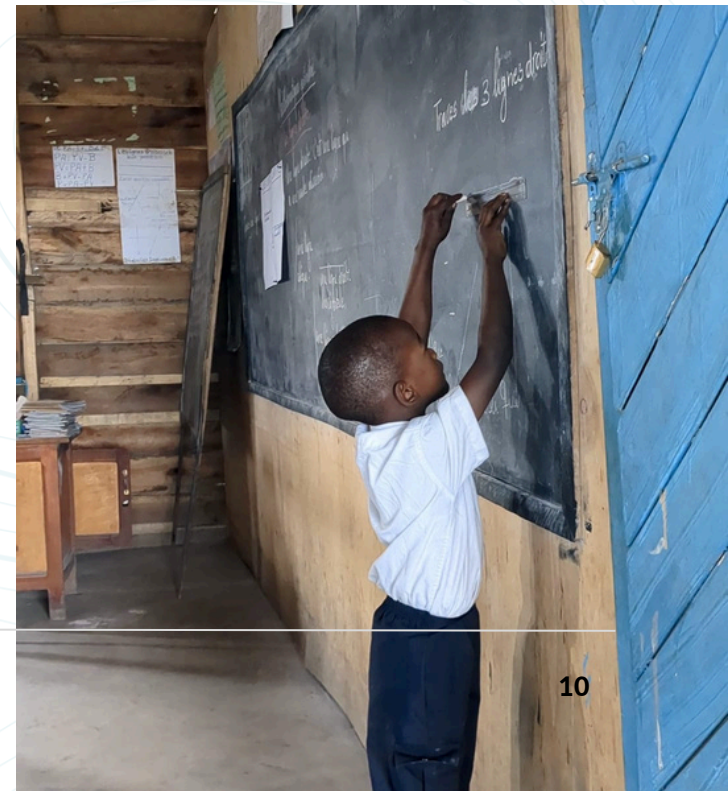
# CONGO

*Congo*

## PRIMARY SCHOOLS

The situation in Eastern Congo remains challenging as the ongoing conflict not only increases insecurity but also drives up living costs, making life more difficult for our students. Despite these challenges we were able to host a celebration for our students in July called “Proclamation Day”. We distributed report cards to all the students and we are proud to announce that 100% of our students passed their national primary school exit exam, surpassing the national average of 70%! Following Proclamation Day, the Love Does school entered its typical summer break in the Congo, leading to a period of quiet and rest for everyone on campus. At the end of August, our teachers attended their annual teacher conference which focuses on child protection and student safety. It was a wonderful time for rest, rejuvenation, and connection for the staff.

While enrollment numbers fluctuate as students adjust to the new school year, we continued to thrive and educate a total of 248 primary school students and 37 kindergarten students. This last quarter concluded the academic school calendar and in June, our students completed their exams. Thankfully our school exists in an area not directly affected by the M23 conflict, though staff and students remain emotionally impacted. Despite the challenges, our community’s resilience and dedication have led to remarkable achievements, and we look forward to continuing this journey of growth and success together.





## A PEACEMAKER IN PRIMARY

Happy is a 12-year-old girl in 6th grade at the Love Does Primary School. Her family lived in Goma her entire life but moved around frequently when she was younger. Last year, Happy's family finally settled into a home on their own land and began attending our school. Here is what she said about the Love Does Primary School:

“At my previous school, we hardly learned anything. We would attend, but the teachers wouldn't teach us. The Love Does School is clean and beautiful, and the teachers genuinely care. They teach in French, and I'm learning a lot both in and out of the classroom. My favorite subject is French, but my absolute favorite is the Watoto Wa Amani program (Children of Peace). In this program, we learn about peace and how to apply these lessons in our communities. My brothers tend to fight a lot, but I do my best to intervene and teach them what I've learned at school about resolving conflicts without violence. I believe I can be a peacemaker in my community.”



# AFGHANISTAN

*Afghanistan*

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Love Does Primary School continues to give students and the community stability while also creating a place of fun and learning. This quarter, we hired two new teachers to support our growing student population, increasing our staff to 12 members. We also welcomed three new children to the school, bringing our total number of students to 138. In addition, we identified 18 students with weaker vision, and with the help of a local eye clinic, we completed examinations for glasses. We're hopeful to be able to provide glasses to those who need them and thereby increase their potential for success even more. To improve the hygiene of the school, we have built three new restrooms!

The Love Does Primary School is thriving, and we're excited to see how these new developments will continue to enhance the well-being and growth of our students and community.

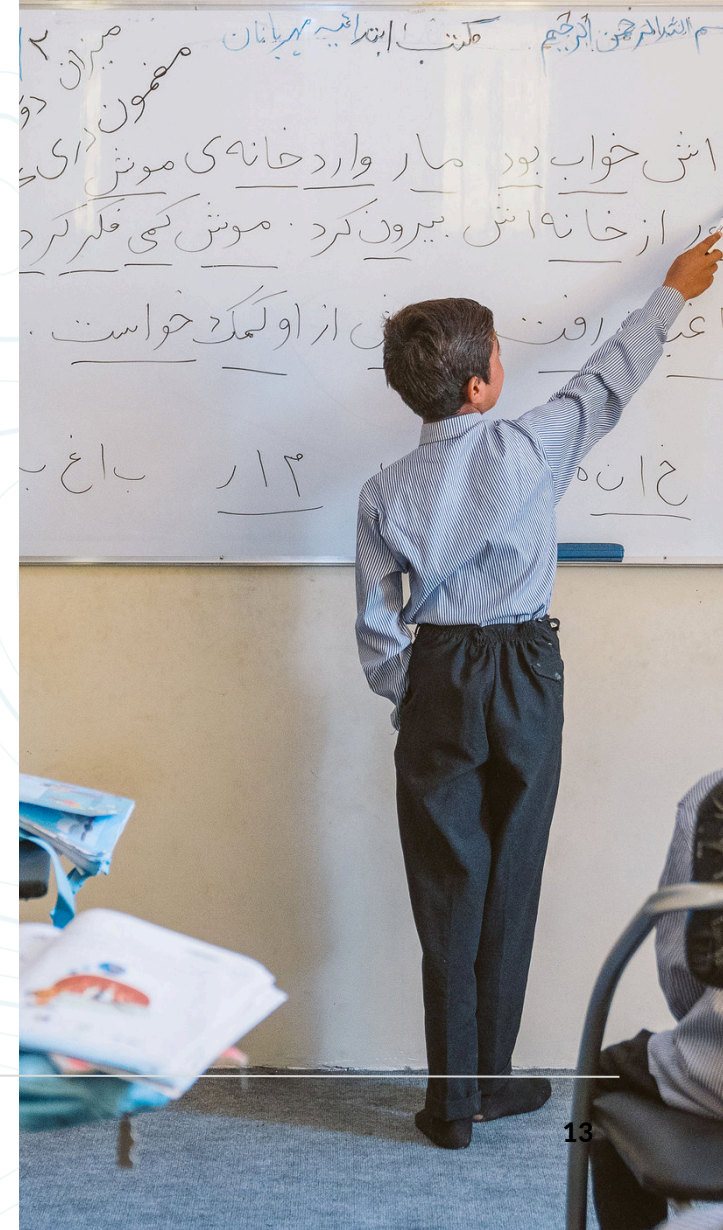




### THREE BROTHERS REBUILDING DREAMS

Six months ago, three brothers aged 12, 10, and 6 years old lost their father and relocated from Kabul to Mazar to be with their family. The sudden loss not only left them grieving but also disrupted their education, casting doubt on their father's dream of seeing his sons educated.

When our school learned of their situation, we reached out and reassured them that their father's dream was still alive. Today, all three of the brothers are students at our Love Does School - and they are filled with hope and on the path to a brighter future. Their story is a powerful reminder that our school is not just a place of learning but a space where lives are rebuilt and dreams are reignited. We look forward to seeing how they grow in the coming years!



# NEPAL

*Nepal*



## LOVE DOES HARISIDDHI AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

The third quarter of our after-school program has been as fun and exciting as ever, with around 50 children attending daily. We have four teachers assisting the kids with their homework and a cook providing nutritious meals. The children come from various family backgrounds, with many facing financial challenges. We remain committed to identifying and supporting those in the community who are still in need.

We celebrated several special occasions, including Teej, a festival enjoyed by Hindu women. We embraced this event in a fun and festive way with dancing and food. The kids also organized celebrations for Teacher's Day and Children's Day, showcasing their talents through singing and dancing. Our teachers not only assist with education but also encourage the kids to participate in these various programs and celebratory events. We were proud to see all the kids, even the youngest, dancing and enjoying themselves.



## BRICK FACTORY SCHOOL

Many parents who come to work at the Kantipur Brick Factory bring their children along because there are no nearby schools. As a result, children have had to stop their schooling since they aren't from the local area. In response to this need, the Love Does Primary School at the Kantipur Brick Factory provides education for over 40 students, offering meals and school supplies daily. Parents employed at the factory are grateful for the safe space where their children can learn and receive meals while they work. Students benefit not only from the education but also from the care and attention of their teachers, creating a supportive learning environment.

The school at the brick factory has become a model for other brick factories across Nepal. The Love Does Brick Factory School has been a blessing for children from remote villages who accompany their parents for work. It plays a significant role in helping to reduce child labor by offering education to boys and girls aged 5-15. These students not only receive an education but also develop strong character, preparing them to become the next leaders of Nepal.

In addition to education, the school provides meals and drinks for the students, which helps to reduce the daily food costs. With their children safely engaged in school, parents can focus on their work without worry.





# INDIA

*India*

## LOVE DOES HOME

The past few months have been both challenging and transformative for our Love Does Home. After searching for several months, they moved to a new house and since then, the children have resumed their routines, actively participating in school, college, and church activities. Their achievements—ranging from certificates in academics, singing, choreography, and even football—bring immense joy. We’ve also introduced hairstyling classes to not only provide valuable skills but also foster a sense of community, as participants help one another and gain confidence. The children in our home gather monthly with the neighbors for fellowship, praise, and worship. These gatherings strengthen their faith and deepen the bonds within the community. Overall, this journey has not only enhanced their individual growth but also reinforced the importance of community and support in shaping their futures.





# POLAND

*Poland*

## LOVE DOES SCHOOL IN POLAND

The Love Does School in Warsaw, Poland continues to nurture every child's potential, fostering a supportive environment that emphasizes community, creativity, and growth. We wrapped up the school year with a festival featuring Ukrainian treats, a 360 degree photo booth, virtual reality, and face painting. Each child received a gift package and parents enjoyed class performances, creating a warm, celebratory atmosphere.

Throughout the summer, we engaged children with weekly themed activities, including sports and arts. Our building welcomed Ukrainian children from across Warsaw for creative and interactive experiences. Sports activities at the Żoliborz Sports and Recreation Center helped children develop skills and make new friends, and ended with a football tournament. The art program held a performance of *Alice in Wonderland*, where children showcased their talents through acting, costume preparation, and set design. The production received enthusiastic applause from the audience!



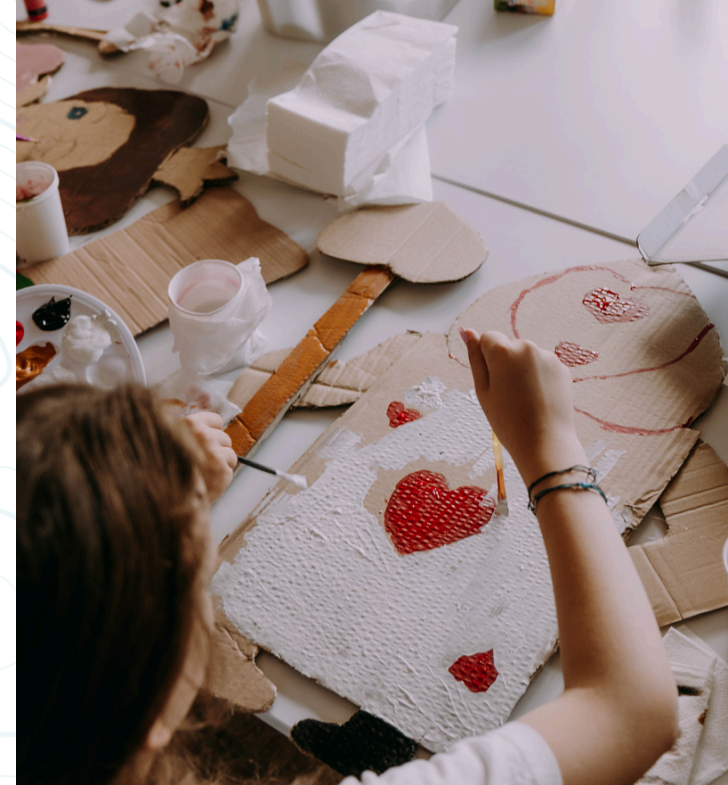


## DISCOVERING CONFIDENCE THROUGH PROBLEM-SOLVING

Arsenii, a student in our school who attended every single session of our Summer in the City program, took it upon himself to help the younger children and staff. During one of the 3D pen workshops, the children were creating character designs and one of the pens stopped working. Without hesitation, Arsenii brought the pen home, determined to fix it. The next day, he returned with the pen fully functional. It was a small but powerful moment—seeing a young boy discover his technical abilities and take initiative. This simple act of problem-solving not only helped the group but also showed how such programs can ignite new passions and build self-confidence in children like Arsenii.

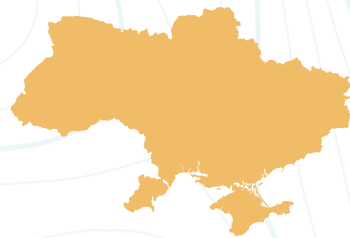
## OVERCOMING BARRIERS AND BUILDING FRIENDSHIPS

Lera, a little girl who struggles with speech due to nerve damage, is currently undergoing rehabilitation. Before joining our summer program, Lera found it difficult to communicate, but it didn't stop her from forming the most friendships of anyone in her group. Surrounded by children who spoke her native language, she quickly began to make noticeable progress in her speech therapy. Her mother, beaming with pride, shared how confident Lera had become. Lera's infectious energy made her a magnet for other children, proving that communication barriers couldn't hold her back from building strong relationships and finding joy.



# UKRAINE

*Ukraine*



## LOVE DOES BOUTIQUE

On September 26th, we celebrated the opening of Love Does Boutique at the maternity ward in Lutsk, Ukraine. This boutique supports displaced pregnant women by providing essential baby and maternal products in a welcoming, dignified shopping environment. Despite encountering various in getting the boutique ready, we were able to work with Ukrainian manufacturers and a Polish partner to stock the boutique with an array of products. The hospital graciously provided a spacious room which we divided into a workshop area, boutique, and storage space. The boutique's design reflects a calm, cozy atmosphere where women can shop for baby clothes, hygiene products, toys, and accessories, as well as postpartum items and nursing essentials for mothers.

On opening day, 60 women visited, with 15 attending a workshop on the “Physiology of Breastfeeding”. After the workshop, each participant received gifts, including a Bible in Ukrainian, a Love Does book, small heating pads, and discount cards for a baby store.



## A MOMENT OF PEACE

“I’m seven months pregnant, and two months ago, my husband was killed at the front. There are days when it’s hard to breathe, let alone think about the future. Coming here to the workshop, meeting other women, and receiving these little gifts—gave me a moment of peace and reminded me that I’m not alone. I felt like I was doing something good for my baby, and that means everything to me.”

## HOPE IN UNCERTAINTY

“I was evacuated, but my parents stayed behind under occupation to protect our home and land. I haven’t heard from them, and I don’t know if they’re still alive. The anxiety is overwhelming, but the boutique gave me a small escape. It’s not just about getting what I need, but feeling cared for, feeling like someone sees what we’re going through and wants to help. I left with clothes and toys for my baby, and a bit of hope in my heart.”



# BURKINA FASO

*Burkina Faso*



## PRIMARY SCHOOL

This quarter, our teachers received additional training in preparation for the new school year. During the summer break, we began enrolling students and registered 215 for the school year, which started in late July. Our dedicated staff now includes 28 primary and secondary teachers, along with additional support staff.

We are thrilled to see our school community grow. Some women from the church helped clean the school court; we also renovated the school, adding new equipment. Additionally, our food shipments from Lifeline have continued to bless the community, allowing us to hold more food distribution days and provide support to local families.



# ISRAEL

*Israel*



## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

During the summer, we focused on organizing activities that had been difficult to address during the school year. The ongoing war created safety concerns that limited our ability to conduct special programs for children. Despite these challenges, we successfully launched a campaign at the end of the summer to ensure every child received a new book, helping families prepare for the upcoming school year.

Through our "Take and Give" campaign, we provided children with pencil cases filled with supplies to share with someone in need, fostering a spirit of giving and kindness. As September began, we kicked off the new school year with parent-teacher meetings, including a lecture on psychological resilience to empower parents in supporting their children during these challenging times. This year, we welcomed new students to our program, including those transitioning from 8th to 9th grade.

Recognizing the need for a comprehensive approach, we are committed to addressing the overall situations faced by our students and their families. Understanding that many families struggle with issues such as family dynamics, financial strain, and health concerns, we aim to provide love, support, and a listening ear to help them navigate these obstacles.





# DOMINICAN *Dominican* REPUBLIC *Republic*

## WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER

This summer, we offered a variety of courses, including basic makeup, entrepreneurship, finance, and computer skills. We visited six educational centers to promote our services, resulting in over 140 girls enrolling in different courses. At the end of the summer, we had 35 girls graduate from computer classes, 23 from entrepreneurship and finance, and 36 from basic makeup. We also held a gynecology and pap smear event, attended by 65 women. We are incredibly proud of these achievements, knowing the skills they've gained will open doors to new opportunities and empower them to shape brighter futures.

Since July, we've been visiting the streets every Thursday to promote our psychology services and courses. We've also given talks on mental health, menopause, and sex education. Collectively these efforts have resulted in outreach to about 150 women in the area. We hope that this will continue to strengthen our community and equip these women and girls with the tools they need to thrive and live healthier, more empowered lives.



## PRESCHOOLS

On August 19th, we officially kicked off the Love Does preschools for the year, welcoming many new students starting school for the first time. It's a joy to see so many children we've watched grow now embarking on this new chapter. With 118 children enrolled across four communities—31 from Canta la Rana, 31 from Redemption, 24 from Redemption Village, and 32 from Esperanza Village—it has been a blessing to serve them all. Though some of the little ones cried during their first week, they are quickly adjusting and already loving their teachers.

We've also continued our parent engagement initiative, which started last year, offering talks on topics like family dynamics and domestic violence awareness. This has led to greater parental involvement in their children's education and resulted in improved attendance and a stronger connection between parents and teachers. Encouraged by these results, we've begun monthly workshops to help our teachers and assistants improve their communication and teamwork, ensuring they have the skills needed to provide the best possible education. We look forward to continuing this effort throughout the school year to further support our preschoolers and their families.





# MEXICO

*Mexico*

## LOVE DOES SCHOOL

Our Love Does School is running smoothly, with students fully engaged in learning. Currently, we serve 160 students, with a total of 372 having attended over the course of the last six months. Thanks to the recent remodeling of our facilities, we now have a well-defined school environment enclosed by a fence. Our campus includes four classrooms, a meeting room, an art room, a multipurpose room, a library, a reception area, an administrative office, a teachers' lounge, a waiting room, an educational guidance office, two bathrooms, a storage room, playground area, and a soccer/basketball field!

Throughout this year, we've held a variety of special events and in July we concluded the 2024 school year with a week of artistic and social activities, a festival, and a musical event. To prepare for the new school year, August and September began with staff meetings, a parent assembly, and sports activities.

Our Love Does staff in San Diego remains committed to monitoring our school in Mexico and ensuring its success and progress. We make multiple visits per month to meet with the staff and have also had the privilege of engaging with government officials advocating for formal accreditation through the Mexican Department of Education.



## OUR FIRST FIELD TRIP!

Our school in Mexico just had its first field trip to the El Trompo Interactive Science Museum! Despite some initial uncertainty, it was a success—82 students had an amazing time, behaved beautifully, and enjoyed the day. The students spent time socializing, playing, and sharing meals and ended with an exciting science experiment show. The children returned thrilled, sharing how refreshing the change of scenery was. They felt it helped them unwind, and now they're all eager for the next adventure.

## THE POWER OF LOVE IN EDUCATION

The emotional and social transformations observed in the children at our school have been remarkable. Initially, many of the kids were shy and timid around strangers. However, after a few months of being in a welcoming, empowering environment, the students began to interact with our staff more freely and exhibit more smiles. The joy they now display truly reflects the positive impact that an education rooted in love can have on a child's emotional and social well-being.

# UNITED STATES

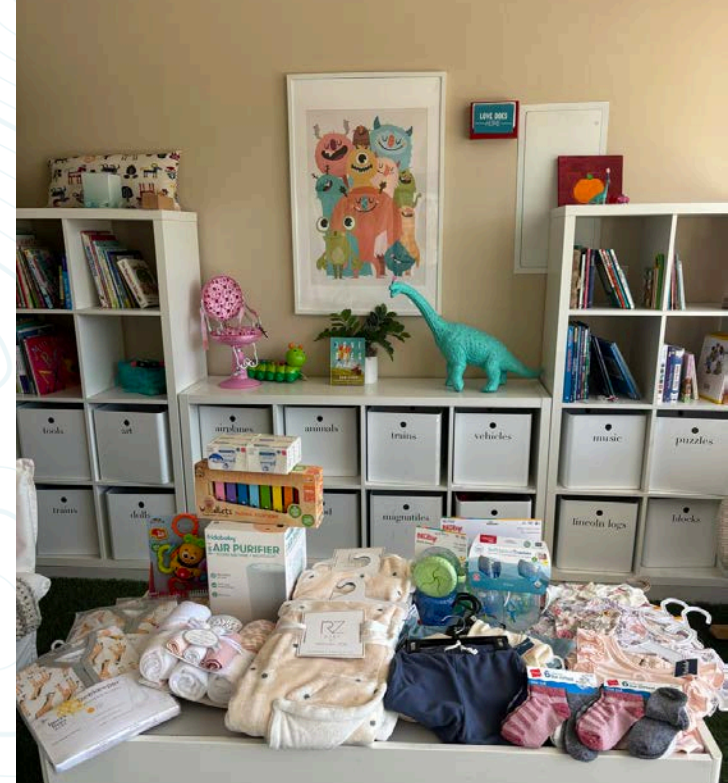
*United States*

## LOVE DOES HOME + BOUTIQUE

The Love Does Home recently hosted our first Back-to-School Backpack Drive, aimed at easing the burden for single mothers as they prepare their children for the upcoming school year. Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of our incredible donors, we provided a wealth of school supplies to ensure every child is set up for success. The event was heartwarming and showcased the power of community support.

One of our alumni moms recently returned to work on obtaining her driver's license. Through dedication and perseverance, she passed her test and is now equipped with the independence and self-sufficiency needed to navigate the world confidently. This achievement not only marks a personal victory but also stands as a beautiful testament to what ongoing support can do.

Our Love Does Boutique has been dedicated to supporting single mothers in the San Diego community by providing clothing, baby supplies, home essentials, and grocery bags. Companies like Sun Bum, Rylee and Cru, Marshalls, and Daily Drills have generously supplied us with everything we need to bless these young moms. We are incredibly thankful for these organizations. Our twice-a-month boutique days are filled with joy as we bring together mothers from various backgrounds, each with their unique story of perseverance in raising their children. Our volunteers truly are exceptional as they spread joy, hope, and smiles to everyone they encounter.





## FOOD PROGRAM

As of September 2024, the Love Does Mobile Food Pantry program delivered a total of 5,095 bags of groceries to households and families. In the last quarter, we strengthened our partnership with the Haitian Refugee Center allowing us to distribute groceries to additional refugees beyond those in the immediate community center population. Our collaboration with Tizon Senior Home also continues to thrive, as seniors eagerly await their weekly grocery deliveries. Building relationships with the seniors at the center has fostered deeper connections between Love Does and the community.



## SHARING LOVE THROUGH FOOD

Through our Urban Life grocery loop around San Diego County, we build meaningful relationships with many of the families to whom we deliver food each week. One family, in particular, invited us to sit down with them halfway through the loop to enjoy some homemade jamaica. We chatted about life with them, they shared how they were doing, and we connected on a deeper level. Interactions like these highlight the true value of our program; it's not just about distributing groceries, but about sharing life and love.



# UNITED STATES

*United States*

## PRISON PROGRAM

In September, we returned to San Quentin to announce the winners of our Dream Tank Program and gather applications for the next round. Additionally, Love Does staff visited San Quentin for our Dream Big Program, collecting applications for funding and facilitating our Christmas Gift Program for incarcerated individuals.

This quarter we launched the Love Does San Quentin Transitional Program. This program serves to assist formerly incarcerated individuals as they transition back into society. We offer them care packages, monthly support groups, and mentorship, as well as eligibility for grants to help them kickstart their dreams. We have already seen how the launch of our Transitional Program has significantly benefited the formerly incarcerated population. By receiving letters of encouragement and care packages filled with essential life supplies, these individuals have felt a strong sense of support as they navigate a difficult transition. This program has provided them with valuable resources and emotional reinforcement, helping to ease their reintegration process.





## RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM

Love Does made significant strides in our domestic initiatives. We successfully resettled a family evacuated from Afghanistan, providing them with furniture as they moved to a larger apartment. In addition, we had the opportunity to assist a single mom in furnishing a home for her and her two kids. It was incredible to witness her joy as her home was filled; the experience had a profound impact on us as well.

## REFUGEE SUPPORT

One of our highlights from this quarter was hosting an unforgettable event at SeaWorld for Afghan and Ukrainian families, where they bonded over thrilling rides and shared meals and grew in community with each other. In other support, we provided a laptop to an Afghan refugee, empowering him as he continues his education. We also championed the entrepreneurial dreams of a Ukrainian refugee family by sponsoring furniture for their barbershop, and helping to establish their business. Furthermore, we organized a community gathering for 70 Ukrainians, offering delicious meals and life coaching to uplift and inspire them during challenging times. Our relationships with refugees continue to flourish as they navigate their new lives in the US.





# 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 — we couldn't do any of the work we do without you!

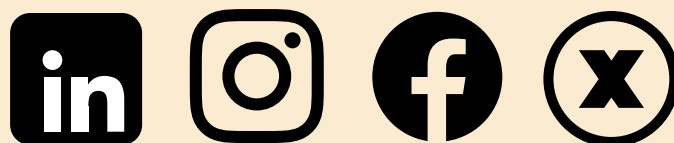
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