



# 2021 Impact Report

Thank you for  
**STANDING  
WITH KORAH**



Dear Friends of Korah,

December 2021

We are very excited to share the 2021 Impact Report with you. This past year has had many highlights and we have seen our programs grow in ways that exceeded our expectations. This was our tenth year of serving in Korah and looking back at all that God has done in the lives of the people is inspiring. So many have come together to Stand

with Korah. You have helped to make this happen and we are so grateful! Thank you!

Throughout 2021, we not only expanded and welcomed twenty new families into our empowerment program, but the effectiveness of our programs has grown too. We are now seeing the positive results of working with children and families on issues of trauma and healing. We are also very proud of our families who courageously launched new businesses or found employment. Our afterschool tutoring and youth programs are offering more academic and enrichment opportunities. Also, we believe it is essential to reach out and help bring sustainable change to the community at large and we are now bringing water to over 5,000 students at a school next to the trash dump. They had not had running water for over two years, and we anticipate finding a permanent solution for them by drilling a deep, high yield well in 2022.

All of this would not be possible without our dedicated Ethiopian leadership team and staff who have worked incredibly hard and developed local partnerships that allow us to share our resources and have an even greater impact on the lives we are touching. As we look forward to the upcoming year, we anticipate more lives being changed, especially as our new children and families stabilize and participate in the programs offered them. We also hope to strengthen our education and youth empowerment department and build a physical infrastructure that will have a long-lasting and far-reaching impact on the youth of Korah. As hope grows, so does the child, their family, and the community.

Unfortunately, not all the news I have to share is good. With the current civil war in the country and the impacts of Covid-19, poverty in Korah is steadily growing. Inflation continues to climb making basic needs such as food and rent more difficult to attain. Many are desperate as fear, ill health, and living in dire circumstances breeds hopelessness and an uncertain future. We believe God's heart breaks as He sees the suffering of the poor in Korah and we are committed to continue following His lead and doing all we can to make a difference. We are extremely thankful for the compassion, prayers, and generosity of those who have stood with Korah, and we are happy to share that much of what is needed for 2022 has already been pledged or donated, leaving us with a fundraising goal of \$357,000 CAD for 2022 (\$278,500 USD).

May you be encouraged as you read this report and see how you have helped to impact many lives. There is still much work to be done and with God's help we trust this upcoming year will bring more promise and transformation for the people of Korah. **We hope you will join us once again and STAND WITH KORAH IN 2022!** Any gift great or small is important and will make a difference.

We wish you a wonderful Christmas season and a New Year full of great hope!

*Eve Pohl*

Eve Pohl R.S.W.  
HFK Executive Director



# Family Stabilization

## HEALTH SERVICES



- 102 Families accessed free medical services and prescriptions
- 750+ HFK Health Services visits
- 78 Families received Annual Health Insurance policies
- 217 Hospital Referrals
- 29 Beneficiaries received Hospital Care (2 stays 30+days)
- 7 Beneficiaries received Psychiatric treatment at hospital
- 320 Children & Adults Dewormed
- 14 HIV+ Beneficiaries received medical guidance and ongoing follow-up
- 125 Adults attended trainings on preventative health, family planning, hygiene, sanitation, cervical cancer and/or Covid-19
- 112 Youth attended Sexual & Reproductive Health Trainings
- 147 Children received Malnutrition Screening
- 19 Orphaned (13 with disabilities) Children living at Tikuret Orphanage received monthly medical prescriptions, diapers and support.



**IMPACT:** Beneficiaries living with acute/chronic illnesses & trauma improved because of quality treatment received. Awareness was raised among HFK youth for personal sexual and reproductive health. Access to healthcare and medication brought significant stability to peoples' lives. Health services also prevented new disabilities in beneficiaries and resulted in further engagement with family members and HFK programs.

## WATER



5000+ Students and 270 School Staff had access to clean water  
60,000 - 100,000 liters of water delivered weekly to Basilius School

**IMPACT:** For the first time in 2 years, 5,000+ children were able to wash their hands, flush toilets and had access to running water on a regular basis. Water-borne and water-deprived diseases were prevented among vulnerable children. Nine cows were able to stay hydrated and provide nutritious milk at the school. Basilius School's ranking amongst schools in Addis Ababa has greatly improved this year largely due to water provision.



## BASIC NEEDS FOR FAMILIES



- 59 Families - monthly groceries
- 59 Families - monthly teff
- 59 Families - monthly rent
- 12 Families - new beds and/or bedding
- 270 Holiday Chicken Dinners (Christmas, Easter, NY)
- 321 Children and 114 Adults rec'd new shoes & socks
- 280 Children received new backpacks & underwear

**IMPACT:** Families were stabilized and remained healthy & together because of basic needs provided. Each head of the household was better prepared emotionally & physically for empowerment in their vocation and family care. Children were empowered for academic success through provision of basic needs to attend school.



## ADDITIONAL NUTRITION SUPPORT



### Additional nutrition and micronutrients given to:

- 447 Children received fortified pancakes and milk before school through the Berta Breakfast Program
- 100 Kindergarten children at Abune Basilius School received additional protein, fruits & vegetables before school
- 20 Special Needs students at Abune Basilius School received additional protein, fruits & vegetables before school
- 27 Preschool children received 2 daily meals/snacks at HFK Daycare.
- 29 Chronic or acutely ill, immunity-compromised, prenatal/lactating or malnourished individuals received ongoing monthly support
- 259 Children received regular after-school snacks
- 428 Children received regular youth programs/activities snacks



**IMPACT:** Vulnerable children's & mothers' health was maintained, and children's ability to concentrate & perform at school was improved. Those who were chronically ill, or immunity compromised (HIV+) maintained or improved personal health. Select individuals with an acute illness or ongoing medication maintained or improved personal health because of additional nutritional supports.

## EMERGENCY RELIEF



- 1 Family Emergency House Restoration
- 3 Families Emergency Food Distributions (total 5 months supply)
- 2 Families Emergency Rent (5 months)
- 2 Family Funeral Expenses
- ER Medical Supplies purchased
- ER Food, Flour, Oil for displaced children & women due to the civil war.

**IMPACT:** Partnerships with local governing bodies led to collective impact in Korah beyond HFK programs. Displaced families greatly affected by the war were stabilized because of basic needs provided.



## SPECIAL NEEDS FOR CHILDREN & FAMILIES



Daily support including food, sundries, medical care, housing, clothing, daily physical care where required, special outings, education and support groups for:

- 21 Orphans & special needs children
- 8 Elders with leprosy
- 9 Special Needs Families (Head of household has significant disability)
- 33 Additional children with disabilities were provided for under HFK's Health Services and Nutrition Support.

**IMPACT:** Our most vulnerable beneficiaries were able to live with dignity, community, and without fear of abandonment or social stigma because of the daily provision and special needs holistic supports.



## ETHIOPIAN PARTNERSHIPS

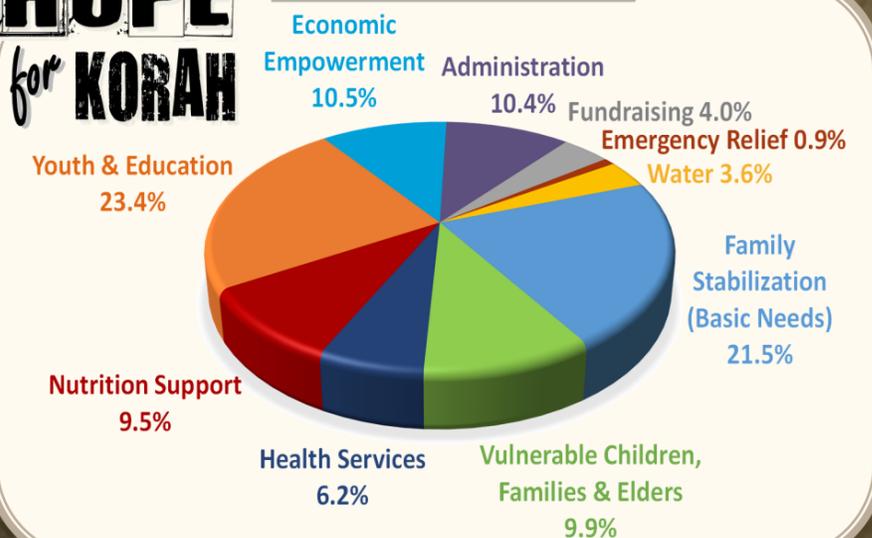


Local partnerships in Korah and Addis Ababa further our impact and have been created for training, resources, experience-sharing and market linkages:

- Abune Basilius School
- Addis Kidan Baptist Church
- Addis Ababa Finance Bureau
- Addis Ababa Children & Women Affairs Office
- Adera Foundation
- Dr. Aiby Hiruy, Sister Seble RN - Health Consultants
- Amosso Consultancy and Training Services (ACTS)
- Bosco Lijoch Training Center
- Carry 117
- Hope Enterprise
- Mary Help Training Center
- Mekana Yesus Lutheran Church
- Meserach Disability Education Centre
- Natanim Consultancy & Counselling
- National Blood Bank of Ethiopia
- Out of the Ashes
- Sabahar
- Selam Baskets
- Samaritan International
- Samaritan's Purse Ethiopia
- Tikuret Children's Orphanage
- Nifas Silk Lafto & Keraniyo sub-cities and respective Woredas
- Yamlak Lij Foundation
- Young Life Ethiopia



## 2021 SPENDING SUMMARY





# Family Empowerment

## YOUTH EDUCATION



192 Students received educational support:

- 27 HFK Daycare Children
- 146 Elementary/Highschool Students (100 in Public School & 46 in Private School)
- 19 Post-Secondary Students/ 5 Graduates



- 259 Students attended After-School Tutoring
- 72 Students received academic awards
- 63 Students enrolled in Computer/ICT classes
- 29 Students enrolled in Sign Language classes
- 29 Book Review Club members
- 82 Students participated in Field Trips/Outings
- 20 Students in Career Counselling

**IMPACT:** Young people moved forward in their studies during periods of uncertainty because of educational supports provided. All Gr. 8 and 12 students passed their rigorous national exams. Children continued to learn, grow, and develop their personal potential. These supports increased the likelihood of children breaking the cycle of poverty within their families.

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES



- 440+ Children attended programs & activities at HFK's Youth Empowerment Center
- 144 Children participated in Boys & Girls Soccer Programs
- 95 Children participated in Art, Theatre, and Music Clubs
- 30 Children participated in the Kindness Service Club
- 28 Youth in Leadership Training
- 98 Youth in Small Groups      44 Teens in Girls' Club



**IMPACT:** A safe and encouraging space was provided for young people. Fewer youth spent free time engaging in high-risk behaviours at the trash dump or dropped out of school. Teens explored their giftings, talents and abilities in an empowering environment. Children were equipped to build healthy relationships with God, themselves, and others.

## ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT



- 30 Adults developed business/employment plans
- 40 Adults received grants to start or expand business
- 3 Young adults/orphans received business start-up grant
- 51 Adults attended Business Operators' trainings and meetings
- 8 Adults linked to employment opportunities
- 5 Special Needs Adults rec'd business/employment trainings
- 20 Adults received literacy training
- 11 Adults trained in sewing or spinning
- 1 Adult received vocational training
- 6 Adults received leadership training
- 2 Business Cooperatives established:
  - Basket Weavers Association (14 members) & Coffee Marketplace Initiative (7 members)
- 2 Self-Help Savings & Credit Groups with 39 members



**IMPACT:** Women moved forward in their own businesses or finding adequate work to provide for their families. Self-confidence and quality of work significantly increased as women saw their artisan products sold for fair-trade value. Orphans took steps towards independence. Beneficiaries who received economic trainings & measures took necessary steps towards self & communal sufficiency beyond HFK programs.

## PSYCHO-SOCIAL SPIRITUAL



- 47 Youth and 19 Adults received ongoing individual counselling
- 6 Families in counselling
- 142 Youth participated in small group counselling/education sessions
- 230 Youth and 20 Adults received life skills trainings
- 14 Orphaned & vulnerable youth attended 3-day/night camp on Understanding/Coping Personal Trauma
- 7 Special Needs families received relevant trainings
- 8 Special Needs Adults in bi-weekly support group
- 52 Teen girls participated in 2-day Sexual Abuse Prevention workshop
- 80 Children attend weekly small groups with spiritual focus

*All beneficiaries receive one-to-one counselling from social workers as needed. All programs have a spiritual or prayer component.*

**IMPACT:** Vulnerable beneficiaries overcame significant mental health barriers, re-entering their schools and workplaces. Teen girls were empowered to prevent personal victimization and future exposure to sexual violence and abuse. Youth and families were equipped to cope with stress, practice healthier communication, apply more effective parenting techniques, work through past trauma, and increase their sense of self-worth and value in Christ. This significantly impacted the personal, familial, and work lives of beneficiaries.

