



HOPE
for **KORAH**

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2022 Impact Report | December 2022

Dear Friends of Korah,

It is with a sense of wonder and a grateful heart that I share HFK's 2022 Impact Report with you. Although these pages summarize the many exciting developments and lives touched throughout the year, it falls far short, as it cannot possibly begin to capture the stories, transformations and hope reflected in each person represented by a number. The impact has truly been huge. With God's help it was accomplished through the prayer, compassion, generosity, and hard work of many here and across the globe.

Our work is fluid, always moving and growing. Many milestones were hit this year as we celebrated more graduates than we have ever had from our Economic Empowerment Program, added the largest number of needy families to be sponsored, as well as sending the most children to private school, the highest enrollment in our daycare and youth programs, and we moved into a beautiful new Elders' Home which allowed us to increase our reach to even more elders living within the community.

A major highlight, which will be completed by Christmas is the drilling of the 220 meter deep, high-yield water well at Abune Basilius School. As you can see in these photos, we had a huge water strike and for several days it has been raining water from the ground up. It is amazing to behold! And this water supply will soon be pumping 10 liters per second and providing water to the student body, staff and local community. Everyone is thrilled!

In between all the good that has happened, there have also been many difficult days. Life is hard in Korah, and many are deeply struggling. The powerful and debilitating impacts of poverty, illness, inflation, civil war, trauma, and fear are all very real. Standing with Korah brings hope to those who are desperate for it.

As we look ahead to the upcoming year, we anticipate more positive life transformation as our children and families grow stronger, more confident, equipped, and empowered to live with dignity and become self-sufficient. We also plan to take further steps in strengthening our education and youth empowerment programs by building a physical infrastructure that will have a long-lasting and far-reaching impact on the youth of Korah. As you will read in this report, our youth programs are overflowing. The need for more space, larger classrooms and additional community and activity areas is great.

One big challenge we face is Ethiopia's 33% inflation rate. This has not only had an enormous impact all over the country, especially for the poor, but it has also greatly increased the costs of running all HFK's programs. In the past, we have been able to offset increasing inflation by the Canadian dollar foreign exchange rate gain against the Ethiopian Birr. However, that number has plateaued, which will increase our costs for 2023. We are happy to share that much of what is needed has already been pledged or donated. Our fundraising goal to meet all the needs for the next year is \$637,000 CAD (\$469,000 USD).

May you be encouraged as you read further and see the difference that you are making in the lives of many. We could not have done or do this work without you, and our hope is that we can continue to count on your generous and compassionate support for all the work that still needs to be done...

STANDING WITH KORAH together.

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

With heartfelt thanks from all of us at HFK,

Eve Pohl Eve Pohl R.S.W., HFK Executive Director



Family Stabilization

HEALTH SERVICES



- 1540+ HFK Health Services visits
 - 344+ Hospital Referrals
 - 5 Beneficiaries were hospitalized
 - 85+ Beneficiaries rec'd diagnostic services
 - 510+ Beneficiaries' prescriptions were purchased
 - 106 Families received Annual Health Insurance policies
 - 337 Children received Malnutrition Screening
 - 192 Children & 30 Adults Dewormed
 - 5 Beneficiaries received Psychiatric treatment
 - 19 HIV+ Beneficiaries received medical guidance and ongoing follow up.
 - 19 Orphaned (13 with disabilities) children living at Tikuret Orphanage received monthly medical prescriptions, diapers and support.
 - 360 Youth received Sexual & Reproductive Health Trainings
- IMPACT:** Health was stabilized and further illness averted due to medical care access, medications and prevention measures. Those living with acute illnesses and trauma improved because of quality treatment received. Awareness was raised among youth for personal sexual & reproductive health.



BASIC NEEDS FOR FAMILIES



- 78 Families monthly groceries & teff
 - 78 Families - monthly rent
 - 80 Families - new blankets
 - 32 Families - new beds and/or mattresses
 - 261 Holiday Chicken Dinners (Christmas, Easter, NY)
 - 325 Children and 95 Adults rec'd new shoes & socks
- IMPACT:** Families were stabilized and retained dignity due to basic needs provided. Each head of household was better able to perform their vocational duties and care for their families. Children were better empowered for academic success through basic needs provided for home and school.



SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN & FAMILIES



- 16 Orphans & Special Needs Children
 - 8 Elders with leprosy
 - 4 Special Needs Families
- Received daily support including food, medical care, housing, clothing, caregiver if required, special outings, education and support group.
- 24 Elders rec'd new beds and/or mattresses
 - 17 Additional Elders living with leprosy or disabilities accessed HFK programs and activities
 - 20 Additional children with disabilities were provided for under HFK's Health Services.
- IMPACT:** Our most vulnerable beneficiaries were able to live with dignity and in community; free of fear and the impacts of extreme poverty, social stigma, and abandonment due to provisions and holistic supports.



EMERGENCY RELIEF



- 20 Families - Emergency Food Distributions
 - 11 Families - Emergency Rent (18 months)
 - 2 Families - Funeral Expenses
 - 4 Families - Emergency Medical Support
 - 7 Students in rural areas rec'd school supplies
- Additional Emergency food provisions were provided in partnership with local government for displaced peoples due to the civil war.
- IMPACT:** These emergency supports led to a crucial collective impact beyond our programs. Local partnerships were fostered with governing bodies and other non-profits. Displaced families affected by war and inflation were stabilized because of basic needs provided.



ETHIOPIAN PARTNERSHIPS



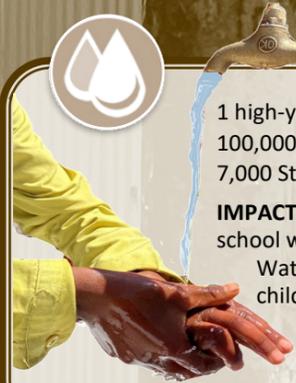
Local partnerships further our impact and have been created for training, resources, experience-sharing and market linkages:

- Abune Basilios School
- Addis Kidan Baptist Church
- Addis Ababa Finance Bureau
- Addis Ababa Children & Women Affairs Office
- Adera Foundation
- Addis Guzo Rehabilitation Center
- Amosso Consultancy and Training Services (ACTS)
- Bosco Lijoch Training Center
- Carry 117
- Hope Enterprise
- Ilanga
- JOY Autistic Center
- Mary Help Training Center
- Mekana Yesus Lutheran Church
- Meserach Disability Education Centre
- Natanim Consultancy & Counselling
- National Blood Bank of Ethiopia
- Out of the Ashes
- OXFAM Ethiopia
- Sabahar
- Selam Baskets
- Samaritan International
- Swedish Psychologists without Borders
- Teach Beyond Borders
- Tikuret Children's Orphanage
- Truth Pillar Ministry
- Nifas Silk Lafto & Keraniyo sub-cities and respective Woredas
- Yamlak Lij Foundation
- Young Life Ethiopia

WATER



- 1 high-yield 220 meter deep well drilled at Abune Basilios School.
 - 100,000 liters of water delivered weekly to Abune Basilios School
 - 7,000 Students and 350 School Staff had access to clean water
- IMPACT:** A long-term sustainable water source was created for a school with a chronic history of no water and poor sanitation. Water related diseases were prevented among vulnerable children due to clean drinking and washing water. Students were able to access running washrooms on a regular basis. Children's health and development was ensured due to nutritious milk from cows watered on site.



NUTRITION SUPPORT

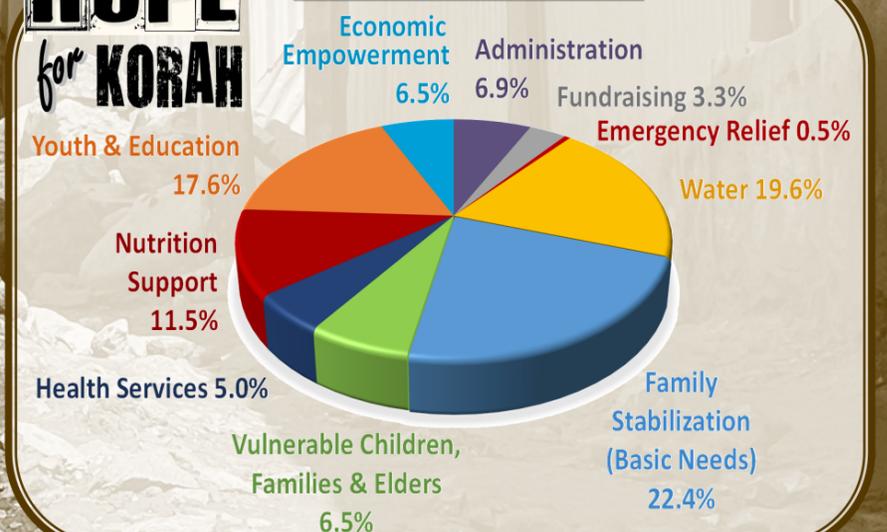


- Additional nutrition & micronutrients given to:**
- 487+ Children received fortified pancakes and milk before school through the Berta Breakfast Program
 - 130 Kindergarten children received additional protein, fruits & vegetables.
 - 47 Preschool children received 2 daily meals and snacks at HFK Daycare.
 - 58 Chronic or acutely ill, immunity-compromised, prenatal/lactating or malnourished individuals received ongoing monthly nutritional support
 - 315 Children rec'd regular after-school snacks
 - 611 Children rec'd regular snacks at youth programs
- IMPACT:** The health of vulnerable children and pregnant/breast-feeding women was maintained through ongoing nutrition and micronutrient support. Those who were chronically ill or immunity compromised (HIV+) and those with an acute illness or in need of ongoing medication maintained or improved their health due to additional nutrition supports.



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2022 SPENDING SUMMARY



Family & Youth Empowerment

YOUTH EDUCATION



215 Students rec'd Educational Sponsorship:

- 154 Elementary/Highschool Students (92 Private School & 64 Gov't School)
- 14 Post-Secondary Students/ 4 Graduates
- 47 Children enrolled in HFK Daycare

315 Students attended After-School Tutoring Program
 200 Students participated in Field Trips
 60 Students w/learning challenges rec'd special tutoring
 82 Students received academic awards
 67 Students enrolled in Computer/ICT classes
 39 Students enrolled in Sign Language classes
 30 Students in Career Counselling
 20 Students rec'd vocational training
 32 Book Club members 2000+ Library Visits

IMPACT: Students moved forward in their studies due to educational supports. Gr. 8 & 12 students passed rigorous national exams. Children continued to learn, grow, explore and be celebrated for their gifts and achievements; equipping them to become independent and to secure better job opportunities in the future.



ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT



32 Adults Graduated from HFK's Economic Empowerment 3 Yr. Program
 59 Adults attended life skills trainings
 17 Adults developed business/employment plans
 14 Adults received grants to start or expand business
 25 Adults attended Business Operators' trainings
 5 Adults linked to employment opportunities
 18 Adults attended business/employment trainings
 12 Adults attended employment vocation readiness trainings
 6 Adults attended vocational training programs
 9 Adults attended artisan skills training
 20 Adults received literacy and numeracy training
 4 Adults started Continuing Education Classes
 51 Women attended special outing to Unity Park, Addis Ababa
 2 Business Cooperatives with 21 members
 3 Savings & Credit Self-Help Groups (SHG) with 51 members
 9 Adults received SHG leadership training
 18 Adults received health & hygiene trainings
 149 Women attended Bi-annual Mothers' Dinners



IMPACT: Families felt the transforming impact of hope for their future. Communal support and self-confidence increased due to SHGs, cooperatives, and HFK celebrations. Women moved forward in their businesses or in employment due to supports and trainings that helped them better provide for their families.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES



932 Children attended HFK programs & activities
 190 Children participated in Boys & Girls' Soccer Programs
 110 Children participated in Art, Theatre, and Music Clubs
 40 Children participated in the Kindness Service Club
 123 Teens in Small Groups, Boys or Girls' Club
 360 Children in Life Skills Training 15 Youth in Leadership Training
 13 Youth in College Support Group 75 Kids in Small Groups

IMPACT: Youth were able to explore their interests and abilities, as well receive relevant trainings and group supports. A safe and encouraging space to play and meet was provided. Fewer youth dropped out of school or engaged in high-risk behaviour at the trash dump. Children built healthy relationships with God, themselves and in turn served their community.

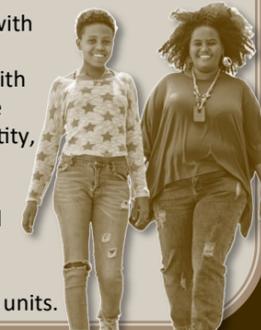


PSYCHO-SOCIAL SPIRITUAL



154 Youth in individual or group counselling
 11 Adults in individual counselling
 48 Families in family or group counselling
 142 Youth participated in small group education sessions
 5 Adults and 10 Youth rec'd clinical mental health support
 38 Orphaned and/or vulnerable youth attended 3-day/night camp on *Understanding and Coping with Personal Trauma*
 10 Families with special needs rec'd relevant trainings and/or participated in monthly support & savings group
 48 Mothers & 8 Fathers rec'd parenting skills trainings
 22 Mentors rec'd 3-day training for Mentorship Program
 70 Teens are matched with mentors
 110 Children attend weekly small groups with spiritual focus
All receive one-to-one counselling from social workers as needed. All programs have a spiritual or prayer component.

IMPACT: Vulnerable individuals worked through past trauma to move forward with their future. Parents and youth were equipped to navigate risks associated with poverty, cope with stress, communicate well, and develop their self-worth, identity, and value in Christ. This significantly impacted the resilience and health of individuals and family units.



Sponsors Needed!

We have many new families needing sponsors. Visit: www.hopeforkorah.org/sponsorship

