



2022 ANNUAL REPORT



It was Christmas day. As families gathered, opened gifts, and shared a special meal, a different scene was occurring at a hospital in Quito, Ecuador. Machines beeped. The occasional cry of a baby could be heard. Nurses hurried about checking on vital signs and giving instructions. In a large room containing occupied cribs and hospital beds, one woman sat protectively watching over a sleeping boy who was very sick with pneumonia. She rubbed his back and prayed over him as she watched him take shallow breaths.

This woman had left her young daughter at home on Christmas so she could provide love and protection to another child who needed her. She was not his mother, but a tia (caregiver) from For His Children. A tia who repeatedly chooses to give her time, attention, and love to care for children in need – a beautiful picture of sacrificial living.

Sacrificial living is observed daily at the homes in Quito and Latacunga. It's seen in the staff member who leaves her home in the early hours of the morning and spends two hours on a bus to be able to arrive and care for the children. It's in the volunteer who takes his only vacation time to serve at the homes. It's seen in the child who shares her favorite snack with a friend even though she really loves it.

Sacrificing in the big and small things!

I am thankful for you and the sacrifices you've made this past year to ensure that children who desperately need the love and care of a family received that support. You chose to pray for the children, give generously, and encourage our staff. You displayed through your actions your desire to provide a bright future for vulnerable children in Ecuador. Thanks to your support, a sick child was not alone on Christmas but was surrounded by a team of people who nursed him back to health.

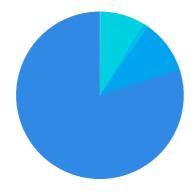
The statistics and numbers you see below were made possible thanks to these daily sacrifices. Thank you for choosing to give sacrificially of your time, attention, and love, to ensure each child at FHC knows the love of family.

Jen Thomas Executive Director

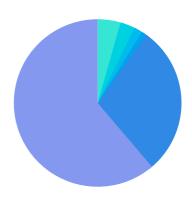


2022 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

2022 Contributions		2022 Expenses	
General Fund	\$744,859.21	Program Services	\$567,169.46
Child Sponsorship	\$96,165.91	Salaries & Contracts	\$267,735.66
Tia Sponsorship	\$8,847.72	Administration	\$9,182.65
Restricted Funds	\$80,109.50	Savings	\$15,000
Other (Interest, etc.)	\$1,396.52	Fundraising	\$26,240.22
		Other (Bank Fees, Insurance, etc.)	\$40,984.69
Total	\$931,378.86	Total	\$926,312.68



General Fund - 79.97% Child Sponsorship - 10.33% Tia Sponsorship - 0.95% Restricted Funds - 8.6% Other (Interest, etc.) - 0.15%



Program Services - 61.23% Salaries & Contracts - 28.9% Administration - 1% Savings - 1.62% Fundraising - 2.83% Other (Bank Fees, etc.) - 4.42%

YOUR IMPACT

Jennifer was just two months old, when she was welcomed to For His Children. She has a diagnosis of Down Syndrome and her parents were unable to care for her. We had hoped reunification with her biological family might be possible, however, it did not become a reality. For nearly eight years, Jennifer received love and care at FHC through your support.

She celebrated many milestones and created special memories with her friends and tias (caregivers)! Jennifer received physical therapy to help her grow stronger and eventually walk. She was able to receive personalized special education onsite and at a local school.





At the end of 2021, she was matched with an adoptive family from North Carolina. It had been a long adoption process for them, of nearly 3 years, and they were overjoyed to finally be matched with Jennifer! In February, she became the youngest of ten siblings - some of whom are also adopted.

Thank you for your support of Jennifer over the years! Because of you, she received hope, healing and so much love while at FHC. She learned she is God's beloved child and He has a plan for her life. And now she has a forever family!

This wouldn't have been possible without your support. Thank you!

Thank you for providing...

Physical Care

You provided love and personalized care to 55 children and young adults.

We celebrated 3 children being reunified with their biological families and 9 children meeting their forever family through adoption!

Emotional Care

You created a safe space for each child and young adult to be seen and loved by supportive caregivers.

They also received therapy and support from a psychologist to help them heal from the trauma they have experienced.

Spiritual Care

The children at both homes were able to attend church each week and learn more about God and His love for us.

In December they learned about the true meaning of Christmas and the incredible gift of Jesus.

2022 MILESTONES

THE YEAR IN REVIEW



Family reunifications

Adoptions



FUN FACTS*

BOTTLES MADE 17,520

MEALS SERVED **50,370**

SNACKS SERVED 33,580

DIAPERS CHANGED 40,880

JOYFUL MEMORIES: TOO MANY TO COUNT!



FUNDS RAISED

\$931,378 were raised to provide love and care to vulnerable children and young adults.

STAFF MILESTONE

Spiritual retreats were offered to the staff - special times to share about the goodness of God.

WE CELEBRATED



Mateo joined his forever family in May. His friend at the home, Francisco, had been praying for this moment for Mateo and his prayers were answered. Praise God!

The young adults in Casa Esperanza began cooking classes with a profesional chef in Latacunga.

14 children atended a local school and 9 received personalized preschool classes onsite to help with their development.

We hosted 24 birthday parties, once a month on each site, with lots of treats, presents and fun memories.

LOOKING FORWARD

In 2023 For His Children remains focused on glorifying God by caring for His precious children coming from vulnerable situations. Each child and young adult will receive the highest quality care through:

- Well-trained caregivers providing love and personalized care in a family-like environment.
- Striving to reunite children with their biological family as soon as possible, and advocating for adoption when family reunification is not an option.
- Providing the young adults in Casa Esperanza (House of Hope) with new opportunities to learn and grow.
- Helping the children and staff grow in their knowledge and faith in Jesus Christ.

The residents of Casa Esperanza (House of Hope) will graduate from their culinary classes soon. Your support has provided them with opportunities to grow and discover their interests. They'll also be exploring new activities in the coming year, such as ceramics and painting.

We are working to provide better support to families in the process of reunification by connecting them with local churches and additional resources they might need. A psychologist will provide therapy and help to ensure a successful reunification.

This year the staff are studying about God's original design for the world and how we can grow closer to Him. They are meeting monthly to study and pray together.

The children at the homes in Quito and Latacunga will be attending a local church in each city and learning more about God. Mission teams will also provide fun, new activities for the children to learn about God's character.





Board of Directors

The 2022 FHC Board of Directors offered up their time, resources, and wisdom to guide and lead the ministry throughout the year. We are very grateful to the following members:

- Michelle Ackley (Vice Chair)
- Stephanie Aguirre
- Carla Bidlack
- Erin Corniea
- Augusto de la Torre
- Brendan McKenna

- Lisa Meyer (Chair of the Board)
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- Roger Yoder (Treasurer)

Our Mission

Believing that all children are created in God's image, For His Children exists as a Christ-centered ministry to vulnerable children, providing care in a loving and supportive environment, striving to unite them with their biological or adoptive family, and advocating on their behalf to others.

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