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For the 2016 donation cycle Children Across Borders (CAB) raised \$165,000 to support 13 charities in the USA and India. Let's take a look at the difference being made by thinking local and acting global...

Donations – U.S.A.

Academy Preparatory

Academy Prep Center of Tampa is a rigorous private middle school for students qualifying for need-based scholarships. Academy Prep students attend school eleven hours a day, six days a week, eleven months a year. Academic classes are taught separately by gender.



This year Children Across Borders donated \$15,000 to Academy Prep in support of their 11th Month Program.

The funding supported the purchase of supplies needed for schooling and enrichment courses during the June month and meals purchased for students through their Meals on Wheels contract. In addition, we were able to provide a portion of the stipends needed for Academy Prep's partners and AmeriCorps teachers.

We are thrilled to provide continued support to a program which provides free curriculum and enrichment courses during the active summer months.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Academy Prep.

Grants/Donations Report



FALL 2016

USA DONATIONS

- Academy Prep - (\$15,000)
- Kids and Canines - (\$10,000)
- Pepin Academies - (\$15,000)
- Starting Right, Now (SRN) - (\$20,000)
- Train Up First - (\$15,000)
- Voices for Children - (\$13,000)
- 1Voice Foundation - (\$15,000)

INDIA DONATIONS

- Abilities, Inc. - (\$5,000)
- Ashraya & Neelbagh School - (\$10,000)
- Colvale Migrant School - (\$10,000)
- Hemophilia Society - (\$10,000)
- Mathrushree Manovikasa Kendra - (\$10,000)
- S. Ramakrishna Primary & High School - (\$10,000)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



NOVEMBER 19, 2016 - Join us for *An Afternoon of Cricket and Family Fun* for the whole family at Steinbrenner Field in Tampa, FL. (www.cabcricket.com)

FEBRUARY 11, 2017 - Dance the night away at the much-anticipated *Bollywood Nights Masquerade Party* at the Tampa Museum of Art (www.childrenacrossborders.org/bollywood-nights)

Kids and Canines

Kids and Canines, located in Tampa, Florida works with at-risk teens, teaching them how to train assistance dogs. The dogs go on to have productive working lives, providing independence to individuals with disabilities.

Kids and Canines provides trained assistance dogs to children with autism throughout central Florida. The dogs change the lives of at-risk middle school students, who learn to care for, groom, and train the dogs during the school day.



This year CAB donated \$10,000 to Kids and Canines, which will allow them to purchase a new playground area and continue to fund the on-going dog training program.

To date the students have trained over 84 dogs, with 64 of them being placed as mobility, autism or facility/therapy dogs, with a placement rate of 76%.

We are thrilled to support a program that provides the opportunity to positively change the lives of our youth, but in turn provide well-trained services dogs to well-deserving individuals in the community.



CAB puppies Porter (left) and Patriot, CAB funding pays for their on-going training at Kids and Canines.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Kids and Canines.

Pepin Academies

Pepin Academies are tuition-free; therapeutic charter schools in Tampa, New Port Richey, and Riverview, that serves students from 3rd grade through 22-years-old who have specific learning and learning related disabilities.

This year Children Across Borders donated \$15,000 to Pepin in order for them to purchase the AbleNet Equals Mathematics curriculum to assist them in continuing the important work of providing excellent education and life training for this unique population of students.

Children Across Borders is thrilled to celebrate the gifts of the Pepin students and knows much the community benefits from having this dynamic, tuition-free school in Tampa Bay.



[CLICK HERE](#) to take a deeper look inside Pepin Academies.

Starting Right, Now (SRN)

SRN is a program meeting the needs of the growing population of homeless families and children in Hillsborough County, Florida. They intervene in a uniquely holistic approach, creating an individualized program for each family or youth. They take children to tour college campuses or vocational programs, assist in filling out the applications, help complete essays and even help with financial aid and scholarship applications. Since its start, the program has helped over 190 teens get into college, vocational programs or the military. Currently they have a housing facility for runaway children in the South Tampa area, called Haven Poe.

Children Across Border is proud to have donated \$20,000 this year for the 45 students at the Haven Poe Shelter, providing hot meals and proper nutrition.

SRN has been busy adding space at Haven Poe to add 20 more beds due to all their referrals. In addition, they are opening a building site in Pinellas County within the next few months to accommodate 45 youths. Donors, your generosity has helped end generational poverty in the Tampa Bay community, one child at a time.

[CLICK HERE](#) to read about how SRN got its start.



Train Up First (TUF)



Last year's funding supported over 1,700 youths, an increase of 30 percent! This year we are proud to announce that CAB donated \$15,000 to support Train Up First's initiative to reach all 36 Title 1 schools in Hillsborough County, Florida and expand into Pinellas County. This allows TUF to reach over 3,600 students throughout the Tampa Bay area with the purchase of more TUF Talk training material.

Train Up First (TUF), located in Tampa, Florida engages, motivates, teaches and inspires youth to take control of their journey through an interactive curriculum inspired by sports. TUF began as a student-athlete focused program, but, with support from CAB's grant, in a few short years they have moved their focus to the at-risk youth demographic.

SEE WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING:

"The section on Self Control vs. Willpower really helped me with my decision making." – Kobe, 9th grade

"I learned that I am a brand on social media, in school, and in my community." – Tyimisha, 10th grade

"I enjoyed talking about the 5 Characteristics of Positive People." – Karyna, 12th grade

Social and emotional knowledge is a key factor in changing the lives of today's youth, CAB would like to thank our donors for helping pave the way to a brighter future for these youths. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Train Up First.

Voices for Children

The mission of Voices for Children of Tampa Bay, Inc. is to provide support and advocacy for the abused, neglected, and abandoned children in the community, while the judicial system searches for a safe and healthy permanent home to place those children.

This year CAB donated \$13,000 to Voices for Children to continue the financial support of the Children's Needs Fund, which provides basic needs for children while they are in foster care, in addition to supporting Tibet, their courthouse dog, who helps calm the children's nerves and builds confidence when telling their story to the courts.

It is the goal of Voices for Children to augment the support provided by the state by providing personal, educational, medical, and legal support that the state is incapable of providing to the children in its care. This includes recruiting, training, and supporting court appointed Guardians ad Litem.

CAB is thrilled to be able to make life as easy as possible for this population of children between birth and 18-years-old, as they are placed in the court system at no fault of their own. Thanks to our donors, these children feel nurtured, safe and provided for during their difficult journey. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Voices for Children.



Tibet the Courthouse Dog

1VOICE Foundation

The 1Voice Foundation, located in Tampa, Florida was created in 2008 to support children with cancer and their families by connecting them with financial, emotional and educational care while funding research for tomorrow's cure.

Mary Ann Massolio, the Executive Director, served as a pediatric oncology social worker for 25 years. She soon became an oncology mother herself, when her youngest child, Jay, was diagnosed with forth stage Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma at the age of nine. Jay lost his battle six short months later and Mary Ann has continued her fight personally and professionally.

This year we were happy to award the foundation with a total of \$15,000 towards the Pediatric Cancer Lab at the University of South Florida, to assist in preventing Leukemia. We are also pleased to support 1Voices's newest program, the Fit 4 Truth Weekend Retreats for Oncology teenagers. The retreat is for patients and cancer survivors, and allows them to bond over their similar triumphs and struggles. The program includes team building, outbreak sessions and five "Ways of Life" steps to stay strong and create your best life— mind, body and spirit. [CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about 1Voice.



Director, Mary Ann Massolio, with oncology patients at an equestrian camp funded by CAB last year.

Donations - INDIA

Abilities Inc.



Abilities, Inc. is a Resource Center for Disabled Persons in Bangalore, India. The center employs blind people to transcribe books into Braille, the books are then given out freely to children who are visually impaired.

This year Children Across Borders donated \$5,000 to support new programs that have been put into place at the center along with integrated events in the community: roadside tree planting, distribution of seedlings with health benefits like neem, drumstick and pomegranate, all of which have been distributed to homes of children with disabilities.

Because of our generous donors, the center will maintain their current health and nutrition programs, education programs, tailoring and training—all of which have helped the blind.

Ashraya & Neelbagh School

Ashraya, meaning *Shelter*, has brought hope and love into the lives of several hundred children and women, over many years. The mission is to provide non-institutional solutions for underprivileged and abandoned children, as well as, empower abused, battered and abandoned women.

In 1996, Ashraya started a residential school called Ashraya Neelbagh, for children of migrant labor workers. This is the only school of its kind in the country addressing the long-term educational needs of children of migrant workers.



This year Children Across Borders is excited to announce that \$10,000 went towards the sponsorship of 25 children, and the Ashraya Community Crèches, which are child daycares.



Currently, they run over seven crèches throughout India, with one in their women's center catering to over 250 children. Thanks to these crèches, families are keeping their children in school longer, providing a safe haven—ensuring a bright and successful future for the children.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more about Ashraya Neelbagh.

Colvale Migrant School for Children

The Colvale Migrant School is in Goa, India. Father Jose Sequira and his team run ten centers with over three hundred migrant children. They provide housing, food, education and transportation needs. Their goal is to keep children off the streets and in school by providing a safe learning environment.

CAB provided Colvale with \$10,000 in support of the Shirhatti Classes taking place in the six villages serving 35 students per class.



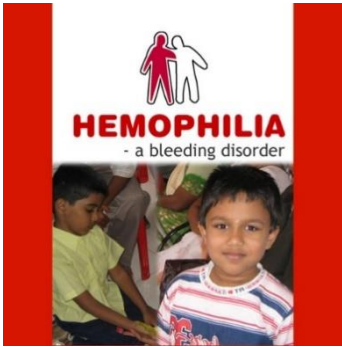
The funding supports the teachers, picnic outings, holiday celebrations for the children, writing materials, as well as, the weekly snacks to provide the students with proper nutrition to focus.



This year, thanks to our donors, over 220 children benefited. These students now have a passion for education and recreational activities—sports, outings and health education. Thank you making their dreams of a formal education a reality.

The Hemophilia Society

The Hemophilia Society in Bangalore, India, is a registered organization affiliated to Hemophilia Federation of India. The society was formed in 1992, without any aid from the government to serve persons with hemophilia in and around Bangalore. The society provides educational and medical aid to those who have Hemophilia and are completing their education.



This year Children Across Borders granted \$10,000 to the Hemophilia Society to support this population struggling with such a painful blood disorder. The funding will continue to support the physiotherapy and exercise needed to enhance patient mobility, in addition to funding vocational and job-training to help those who have completed their education, but are having a difficult time finding a job. The funding also enhances the lives of the children by providing them with music, dance, and art classes, which allows them to develop their true talents and provide therapy while dealing with hemophilia.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more.

Mathrushree Manovikasa Kendra

Mathrushree is a Special Residential School for the Mentally Challenged Children in Bangalore, India. With the help from Children Across Borders medicine has been given to children in a timely manner to lead them to a speedy recovery.



With the growing acute shortage of water in India, donations from Children Across Borders made it possible for Mathrushree to add a bore well, which solved their portable water requirements.

This year we are excited to announce that Mathrushree received \$10,000 from CAB to support the medical needs of the children, this includes surgical costs, medicine, milk for nutritional needs and ambulance transportation to hospital and other medical appointments, as needed.

These children have finally found relief, care and love thanks to donors like you!

S. Ramakrishna Primary & High School

S. Ramakrishna Memorial Kannada Primary & High School is managed by the Bangalore Education Trust, a non-profit organization established with a mission to provide free education to underprivileged children in rural/semi-urban areas, regardless of background or religion, empowering them to claim equal rights as citizens of India.



This year CAB granted the school \$10,000 which went to the purchase of computers for student classwork use and a laptop for the school administration.

Thanks to the generosity of CAB, furniture for the nurse's has been purchased, and the school is creating additional benches and desk for students. They are also taking proactive measures to obtain electrical recertification for safety, to update the current electrical work that is over twenty years old.



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