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Peace I leave with you' my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. John 14:27

### 2020 Back to School & Food Drive

#### Thank You Buffalo!

Thank you to the Buffalo Community and our New York City friends for showing your love and support as we collected school supplies and food to benefit local refugee children!

We successfully packaged and delivered food and school supplies to 140 preregistered children and their families with supplemental donations given to The Compass House.

We couldn't have accomplished this without you. Thank you!



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# **GUAOA** Update

The start of the school year has been pushed back to October 5<sup>th</sup> in order to give the schools and teachers sufficient time to prepare.



### 2020 Back to School & Food Drive Sponsors

Our Back to School & Food Drive event was a success! Each family received school supplies, food, and a wellness packet that contained masks, hand sanitizers, and socks.

Thank you to everyone that donated and volunteers that worked long hours to make this event happen!

Thank you to our partners, donors, and drop-off locations!!:

Christ is the Answer International Church <u>The W Spa</u> Wexler Marketing Co., Inc. <u>The Broadway Market</u> <u>Daily Planet Coffee Co. Inc.</u> <u>Pipeworx By Minx Plumbing Co</u> <u>Salon de Coquette</u> <u>The Broadway Market</u> <u>Sasmita Batik Indonesia</u> <u>The Home Depot</u>

To see more photos, visit our Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/www.chiladvancement.org/">https://www.facebook.com/www.chiladvancement.org/</a>







# How You Can Help

The following GUAOA children are in need of Educational Sponsors.

An Educational Sponsor helps to pay for the cost of tuition and uniforms. A yearly donation of \$230 or \$20 per month (cost for middle and High School) will help a child receive an education.

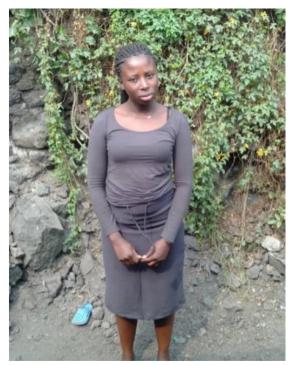
To learn more and/or to become a sponsor, please visit us at <a href="https://www.childadvancement.org/educationalsponsorship">https://www.childadvancement.org/educationalsponsorship</a> or email info@childadvancement.org



Abedi 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Secondary



**Dieumerci** 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Secondary



Queen 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Secondary



**Faraja** 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Primary

# Other Ways You Can Help 💥

### Encourage friends, family & co-workers to help us by signing up for monthly recurring donations

which can be automatically withdrawn (below examples reflect outcomes if paid over a period of 12 months):

- \$5 per month can pay for 1 trimester for a child in secondary school.
- \$20 per month can pay for a child's entire school year plus uniform and school supplies.
- \$100 per month will allow us to purchase another small plot of land for our Agricultural Vocational Training program which also provides nourishment for the children.
- If 5 people commit to donating \$100 per month, we can purchase a small building where the sewing and computer training programs can be held!

For anyone who is interested in making monthly recurring donations, please have them contact Ray@childadvancement.org

### Shop to Support ICA: https://www.childadvancement.org/shop

Sasmita Batik Indonesia is a local business that donates 10% to ICA when anyone purchases accessories, clothing or shoes: <u>https://www.sasmitabatik.com</u>

**ONEHOPE Vineyard** donates 10% of your wine purchase when you use this link: <u>https://www.onehopewine.com/event/60986</u>

**Bonfire Store:** Our very own store can be found on <u>https://www.bonfire.com/store/we-for-them/!</u> We'll be adding more merchandise, including items featuring art by the children of GUAOA Orphanage!

### **ICA Volunteer News**



Welcome to the Team!



#### Irene Kinyoki-Adjeb | Social Innovation Team

Her responsibilities will include communications with our Mentoring & Penpal Programming, HCK & vocational programs as well as translation work for the organization.

Irene was born in DRC and has lived in the US for 20 years now. Her passion is to guide women to embrace their calling and turn their talents into business. She partners with several churches and groups to raise funds and collect clothes for donations to baby orphans in Africa. She speaks French and Lingala.

#### Tanvi Pal | Marketing/Public Relations Team

Her responsibilities will include assisting with implementing marketing and advertising strategies, plans, and objectives; planning and organizing promotional presentations in collaboration.

Tanvi comes with a strong background in devising Integrated Digital Marketing Communications in both national and international markets for start-ups and well-established corporate conglomerates.

In the past she has been a part of several award-winning campaigns leading to monumental changes in the industry.

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11

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Every child is important!



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# **GUAOA** Sewing Program Update

Thanks to generous donors, we were able to purchase 4 new sewing machines for the program, which aspires to teach the children self-sufficiency and profitable skills.



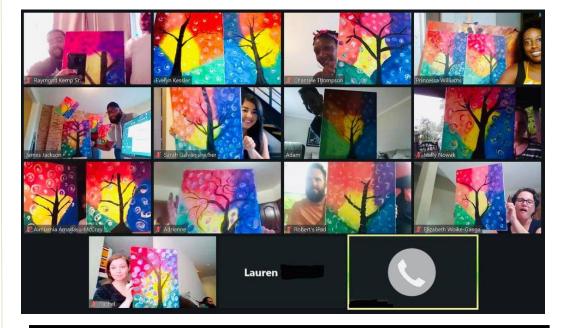
We are still in need of 2 more sewing machines! Please donate at <u>https://www.childadvancement.org/support-us</u> if you can help!

# Paint Party Fundraiser

Thank you to all who were able to participate in our Paint Party Fundraiser in July!

We were able to raise enough funds to cover tuition for 9 GUAOA children without sponsors!





# Mail to GUAOA

Did you know that you can send mail or a package to the child you sponsor at GUAOA?

If you are sending a package or any correspondence, we ask that you inform us first via e-mail at

<u>info@childavdancement.org</u>. This will allow us to alert the orphanage so they are aware a package or letter is on the way.

If you have any questions, please contact us via e-mail or call 1.888.901.4551.

\*\*The border between Congo and Rwanda is currently closed due to COVID\*\*



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