
Serving children and youth through unprecedented challenges

Annual Report 2019–2020





Global Fund for Children partners with community-based organizations to help children and youth reach their full potential and advance their rights. **Thank you for helping to build a world where all children and youth are safe, strong, and valued.**





PH: Estrella Vivanco-Stevenson / Ashanti Peru (Peru)

Letter from Board Chair & CEO

WELCOME!

Like every family, company, and organization on the planet, GFC has had to adapt in the face of unprecedented difficulty during the coronavirus pandemic. But these challenges have also presented us with the opportunity to champion the grassroots leaders we support, and have confirmed our belief in the power of local solutions to address the world's most pressing problems.

In March, as it became clear that every one of our partners would be affected by the pandemic, we rapidly adjusted our plans, canceling our 2020 gala and launching an Emergency Response Fund to support local leaders keeping young people safe around the world. To guide us, we relied on the principles that shaped our work before COVID-19 and will continue to do so after the pandemic has faded. You'll notice these common themes throughout the report:

- **Trust:** We believe in shifting power to locally led grassroots organizations around the world, with trust at the center of our funding model and long-term partnerships. By joining the Trust-Based Philanthropy Project this year, we committed to influencing others to do the same.
- **Safety:** By strengthening our own safeguarding practices and by serving as a resource for partners and peers, we are dedicated to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of young people worldwide. Our emerging Funder Safeguarding Collaborative is one example.
- **Solidarity:** Through our Youth Leadership Council and beyond, we are committed to championing the power of grassroots organizations and the voices of young people around the world on the issues and decisions that matter most.
- **Responsiveness:** We are responding to our partners' needs by actively listening, strengthening feedback loops, and learning hand in hand through our new Constituent Voice approach, participatory evaluation methodologies, and more.

In the midst of the pandemic, we formed two new networks of organizations working toward collective impact for young people. In rural Sierra Leone and Liberia, eight new partners are addressing the root causes of violence against girls. In the United Kingdom, ten partners are engaging boys in exploring masculinities and social change. We also honored five outstanding organizations with awards recognizing their courage, perseverance, and dedication to meeting children's urgent needs.

With your support, this year we awarded more than \$2.4 million in core and emergency grants to 152 organizations. Since 1997, we've distributed more than \$46 million to courageous community-based organizations that advance children's rights around the world, helping them increase their impact and effectiveness.

Thank you for your partnership as we work to overcome the challenges of this moment and build a world beyond the pandemic where all children and youth are safe, strong, and valued.

Sincerely,

Shweta Mehta
Chair, Global Board of Directors

John Hecklinger
President and CEO



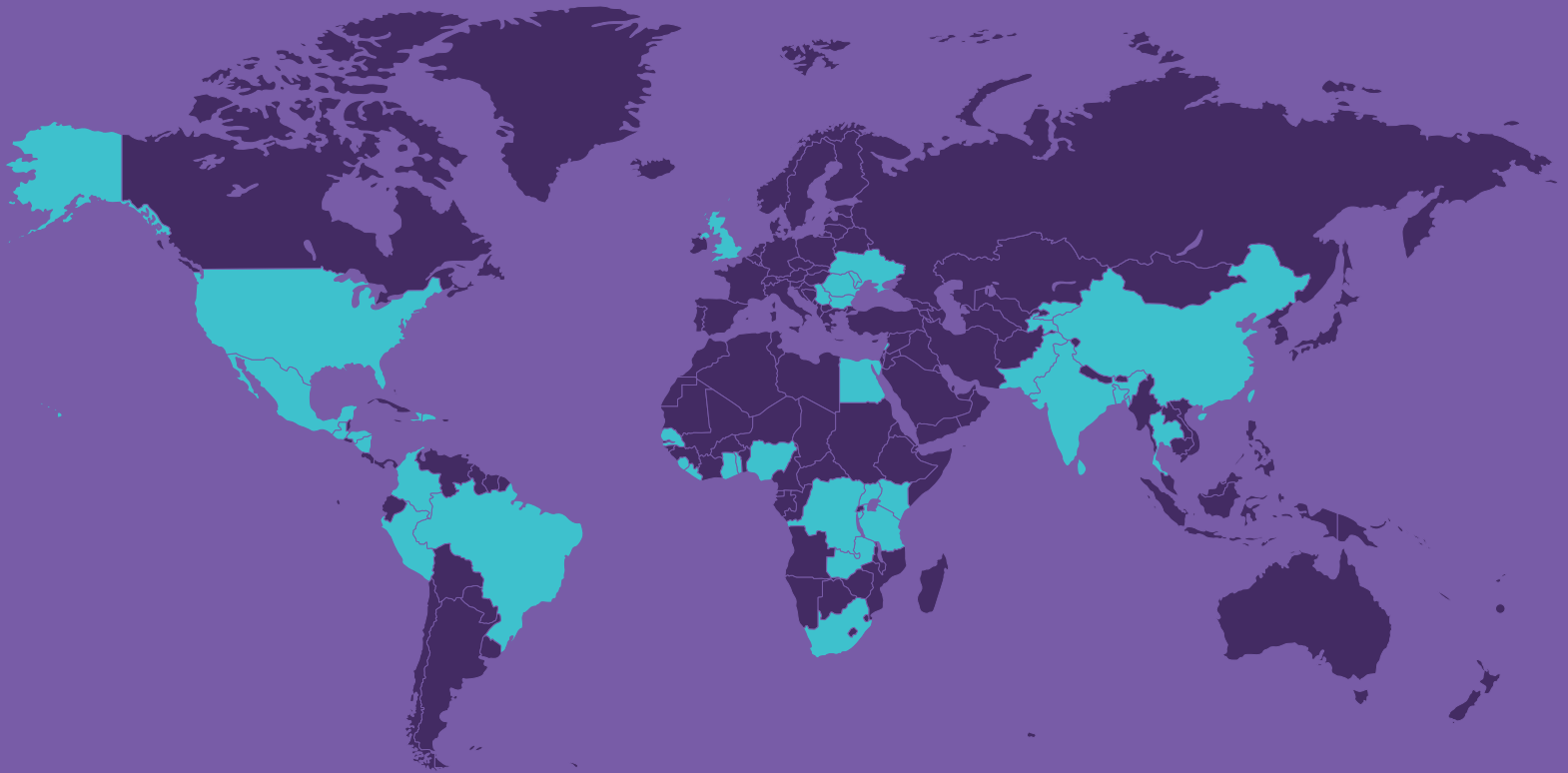
Year in Review

2019–2020

With your support, we provided core funding and COVID-19 emergency relief to 152 local organizations over the past year.



39 countries



152 local partners



\$2.4 million in cash grants



19 new partners

The newest partners to join the GFC family are based in India, Liberia, Sierra Leone, South Africa, and the United Kingdom.



Partners by focus area

Education

91 partners

Gender equity

85 partners

Freedom from violence and exploitation

83 partners

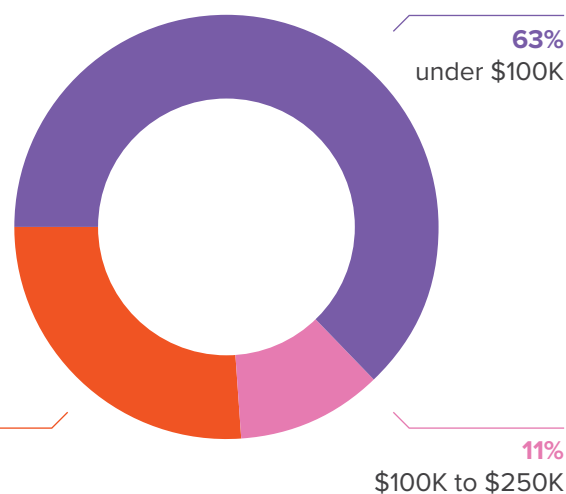
Youth empowerment

82 partners

Most of our partners work in more than one focus area to holistically address children's rights and needs.



New partner budget size



We fill a gap in philanthropy by supporting nascent organizations that others are not yet ready to fund. We also strategically fund organizations at more advanced stages of growth that contribute invaluable experience to our initiatives.



New partner spotlight

In West Bengal, India, **Rural Aid** empowers people employed by the tea industry to advocate for their rights, while providing their children with critical support to prevent child exploitation, trafficking, and sexual abuse. Rural Aid offers child safety education in schools in low-income areas; collaborates with local government and protection agencies to track and rescue missing children; and mobilizes workers in the tea industry to demand fair wages, education, and access to healthcare.

As families come under growing strain during the COVID-19 pandemic, Rural Aid is focusing on preventing increases in child marriage and cross-border trafficking. The organization is part of GFC's Combating Child Trafficking in India initiative.

Budget: \$93K
Young people served: 450

COVID-19 Response

The COVID-19 pandemic presents unprecedented challenges for children and youth worldwide. Global Fund for Children launched an Emergency Response Fund to issue immediate grants to the local organizations keeping them safe.

30

countries

102

local partners

\$310K*

in emergency grants

In March, as the COVID-19 pandemic struck worldwide, GFC and its local partners rapidly mobilized to respond to young people's needs. It was clear that the pandemic would have immediate and lasting consequences for children and communities, from loss of family income and food insecurity to closed schools, increasing violence at home, and lack of access to healthcare.

As countries shut down to combat the virus, GFC's local partners sprang into action. Our partners provided hygiene kits to families without running water, made sure girls at risk of abuse found safe shelter, and helped students without reliable internet connections participate in virtual lessons.

Seeing the great need, GFC established an Emergency Response Fund to issue cash

grants to partners serving children affected by the pandemic. Our first grants were received by partners before the end of March. By June 30, we had approved more than \$310,000 in emergency grants for 102 partners worldwide.

We are continuing to support local organizations with unrestricted funding, capacity support, and safeguarding practices as our partners shift from emergency relief to longer-term adaptation and resilience. Together, GFC and community organizations are planning responses that will protect and empower young people both during and after the COVID-19 pandemic.

Learn more about our coronavirus response at globalfundforchildren.org/coronavirus

* Emergency grantmaking total as of June 30, 2020.



PH: Estrella Vivanco-Stevenson / Ashanti Perú (Peru)

Partner spotlights

ASHANTI PERÚ

In Peru, 3.6% of the population is Afro-descendant. Ashanti Perú provides young Afro-Peruvians with a safe space to discuss and explore their identity and culture, while also combating systemic racism, discrimination, and poverty. This GFC partner received an overwhelming number of calls from the community when the coronavirus pandemic struck in March. The organization's youth leaders had to act fast.

“We thought of who would understand us and respond quickly: Global Fund for Children immediately came to mind. I think we had the additional funds within two to three days.”

– Marco Antonio Ramirez, President of Ashanti Perú

GFC's first COVID-19 emergency grant was sent to Ashanti Perú, providing funds to purchase hand sanitizer and soap for young people in Lima who have limited access to running water. In a single day, Ashanti Perú distributed hygiene kits to 300 youth and families in need.

Forced to suspend its regular youth leadership activities, Ashanti Perú quickly pivoted to supporting Afro-Peruvians who lost their jobs during lockdown, helping more than 100 youth find new livelihoods in food delivery, public sanitation, gardening, and animal care. At the same time, Ashanti Perú started bringing these young people together online to continue learning, reflecting, and envisioning a new normal – one without police violence, free from discrimination, and with racial justice.



PH: Zy Movement Foundation (Thailand)

ZY MOVEMENT FOUNDATION

In Thailand, Zy Movement Foundation (ZMF) empowers young people with disabilities to increase their self-confidence and achieve greater independence. This GFC partner hosts an annual Climb to Change a Life event, which takes children with movement disabilities up mountain peaks and to other challenging destinations. But during COVID-19, ZMF traded its hiking boots for a set of pots and pans.

As the pandemic began to negatively impact the livelihoods of ZMF's program participants, the organization created a new skill-building program called Train the ZMF Entrepreneur. For this program, ZMF's founder used his existing restaurant to teach cooking skills and offer business mentorship to young people and their families. ZMF also received an emergency grant from GFC to procure masks and hygiene kits for staff and community members, as well as food supplies for those most affected by the shutdown and loss of livelihood.

“Since many people lost their jobs, this gives them an opportunity to explore a different field of work, especially since the food business is still continuing.”

– Palita “Namtaan” Siriwannapong, Project Manager at ZMF

As ZMF looks to the future, it plans to continue the new entrepreneurship program founded during this crisis. While the coronavirus has caused the world to shift, organizations like ZMF are demonstrating their resilience and adaptability as they help young people move forward in new ways.

Our Commitment to Change: Serving Partners & Youth





PH: Kimlong Meng / Khemara (Cambodia)

SHARING THE POWER OF TRUST

GFC believes in shifting power to locally led grassroots organizations around the world. We support their ideas – not ours – and provide them with the resources to help those ideas get explored. Trust is at the center of our funding model and long-term relationships, and strengthening trust is one of the fundamental first steps to meaningfully alter the power imbalance between funders and grantees.

In January, GFC joined the Trust-Based Philanthropy Project. This five-year, peer-to-peer funder initiative aims to bring greater vulnerability, transparency, and humility to philanthropy. GFC's John Hecklinger and Corey Oser became activators for the project, amplifying the message of trust-based philanthropy. Later in the year, Synergos and the Citi Foundation profiled GFC as a model for trust-based grantmaking in their *Funding from a Place of Trust* report.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, strengthening trust has become even more important. In addition to committing to maximum flexibility, support, and trust for its partners, GFC joined more than 700 funders in calling on the larger philanthropic sector to make the same commitment through a Council on Foundations pledge.

ENSURING CHILDREN'S SAFETY AND WELLBEING

Ensuring the safety and wellbeing of young people is a critical part of GFC's mission. We recognize that although children and youth may be extremely resourceful and resilient, they are also particularly vulnerable to abuse due to their lack of status and power, their stage of development, and their reliance on adults.

After launching our Global Safeguarding Policy in 2018, we began the next stage of our safeguarding work last year: helping our local partners develop their capacity to prioritize children's safety and wellbeing.

In 2019, for the first time, we required our partners to agree to develop a safeguarding policy – tailored to their context – within the first year of partnership as a condition of receiving funds. GFC provided several partners with organizational development award funding for writing their safeguarding policies and training their staff. We also facilitated sessions on safeguarding at convenings and distributed curated safeguarding resources in English and Spanish to our partners.

Last year, GFC also developed a new initiative called the Funder Safeguarding Collaborative, in partnership with Comic Relief, The National Lottery Community Fund, Oak Foundation, and Porticus. This initiative promotes collaboration, listening, and learning among funders and implementing organizations in order to strengthen organizational cultures and practices that keep people safe.

“We have to believe in young people, and young people have to believe in themselves – we’re not the future, we’re the present.”

– Nancy Pérez, president of Jóvenes por el Cambio

ADVANCING MEANINGFUL YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

With a commitment to ensuring that youth voices inform our work, we created the Youth Leadership Council in 2018. These youth advisors help guide GFC’s vision, strategies, and practices as they learn with us about issues impacting children and youth, participate in select grantmaking decisions, and imagine ways to transform the philanthropic sector.

Over the past year, GFC’s Youth Leadership Council has grown to include seven members representing six different countries. In April, the Youth Leadership Council’s Chair, Mete Coban, joined GFC’s Global Board of Directors, reinforcing GFC’s commitment to youth voices at every level of decision-making. This year, we also held a collaborative problem-solving session at Feedback Labs to help crack the code on meaningful youth engagement, and our Youth Leadership Council hosted a global conversation about the coronavirus’s effects on young people.

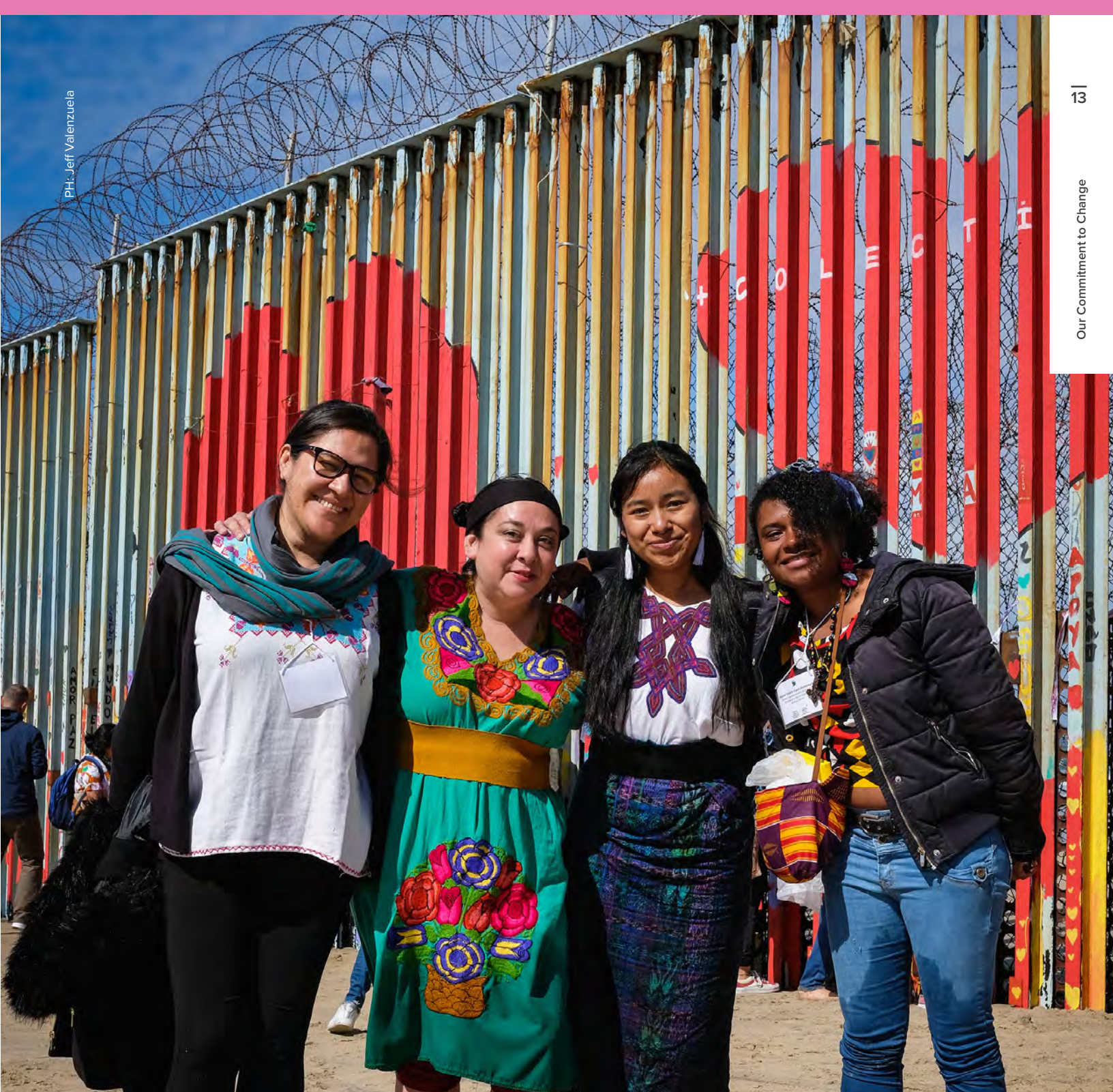
GFC believes that young people worldwide should have a powerful voice on the issues that matter most. In February, GFC hosted its largest-ever convening in Tijuana, Mexico, bringing together more than 120 youth leaders, partners, and funders to strategize about youth and migration. Youth activists from Central America, Mexico, and the United States gathered in the border city to call for increased protection and justice for young people on the move.

LEARNING WITH AND FROM OUR PARTNERS

To encourage ongoing feedback, we launched our Constituent Voice system in 2019, capturing partners’ perspectives in order to shape our operations and strategy. Through this mechanism, we seek feedback from partners on their experiences working with us: this helps us listen, reflect, respond to our partners’ needs, and engage in dialogue with sector peers. The results of the first two Constituent Voice surveys show that 85% of partners are doing something differently because of their GFC support. After the COVID-19 pandemic hit, we adapted our Constituent Voice survey to gather feedback from partners that received emergency relief funding. In this survey, 96% of our partners reported that it was either easy or very easy to receive a COVID-19 emergency grant from us.

In 2020, we began to operationalize our Theory of Change, newly developed in 2019. Our Theory of Change allows us to better frame our learning and evaluation practices. We engage with our partners to co-design the nature of the partnership and to help them identify areas in their practices that need strengthening. Together, we develop a plan to track progress toward key milestones, depending on the needs identified.

In 2020, we also rolled out our revised and expanded Organizational Capacity Index, which was adapted from tools used by peer organizations and informed by our experimentation. The GFC team tested this tool internally and subsequently began offering it to interested partners. This workshop-style self-assessment process – now modified for online use – helps GFC and partners to identify organizational strengths and areas of improvement, and subsequently to design a capacity development plan using the results.



EMPHASIZING INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE WELLBEING

Promoting holistic wellbeing and rights for children and youth is at the core of GFC's mission. With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, the individuals and communities with which GFC works faced greater risks to their wellbeing. As a way to advance a focus on wellbeing at the individual, organizational, and sector levels, GFC engaged in a three-month wellbeing journey to explore these issues in greater depth. Participating GFC team members and local partners will use the learnings from this journey to make personal and organizational changes to strengthen a focus on wellbeing and collective care.

Major Initiatives

We unite community leaders around mutual challenges, geographies, and opportunities, helping our local partners move out of isolation and into collective impact for children and youth. Here are a few powerful grassroots networks fueled by your support this year.

AMERICAS

Empowering adolescent girls in Central America

18 local partners working to promote gender equality and advance girls' rights and opportunities in Central America.

Protecting migrant girls in Central and North America

12 local partners protecting the safety and rights of asylum-seeking and migrant girls in Guatemala, Mexico, and the United States.

Changing gender attitudes in Mesoamerica

5 local partners encouraging boys and young men to support girls' empowerment and build more equitable gender relations in Guatemala, Honduras, and Mexico.



EUROPE & EURASIA

Exploring masculinities in England

10 local partners engaging boys and young men in exploring gender and masculinities and in creating positive social change across England.

AFRICA

Ending violence against girls in West Africa

8 local partners addressing the root causes of violence against girls and empowering adolescent girls to advance their rights in rural Sierra Leone and Liberia.

GLOBAL

Strengthening peer learning for change

6 local partners around the world, all part of our Step Up initiative, sharing learning on transformative leadership, shifting power, and wellbeing as they work with children and youth.

ASIA

Combating child trafficking in India

5 local partners working to fight trafficking and hazardous labor in India by addressing their root causes, providing direct services to at-risk and affected children, and supporting local leaders to take collective action.

Countering child labor in Bangladesh

6 local partners dedicated to combating child exploitation and hazardous labor in Bangladesh; now addressing the additional challenge of cross-border child trafficking.

Learn more about our major initiatives at globalfundforchildren.org/initiatives

Initiative Spotlight

ENDING VIOLENCE AGAINST GIRLS IN WEST AFRICA

Ending Violence Against Girls in West Africa, supported by funding from NoVo Foundation, is a new network of eight community-based organizations in Sierra Leone and Liberia.

These GFC partners, all of which are led by women or youth, work in the rural border areas of Sierra Leone and Liberia. Here, girls and young women face higher rates of violence and more limited access to education than in the capital cities.

The organizations in this initiative are united in their mission of tackling violence against girls in their communities, while empowering girls to exercise agency and autonomy over their bodies and their lives.



PH: Community Health Care Initiative (Liberia)

Partner Spotlight

“We asked the girls if they wanted us to take the ban to court, and they said, ‘Yes, fight our case for us,’” WAVES founder Hannah Yambasu said.

WOMEN AGAINST VIOLENCE AND EXPLOITATION IN SOCIETY (WAVES)

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, girls worldwide are facing alarming increases in sexual violence, abusive relationships, and adolescent pregnancy. Bo, the city in Sierra Leone where WAVES is located, experienced a similar crisis during the 2014–2016 Ebola outbreak, as did many other communities in West Africa.

When schools reopened during the Ebola outbreak, Sierra Leone’s government prohibited visibly pregnant girls from taking national exams and attending mainstream schools. This decision impacted at least 3,000 girls across the country: they were denied their right to education, ostracized, and made to feel ashamed.

WAVES and its allies launched a campaign to fight for girls’ equal access to education, ultimately teaming up with international human rights organizations to challenge the discriminatory ban through strategic litigation.

Girls’ stories were critical evidence and ultimately led to a victorious court decision in December 2019. The court ruled that Sierra Leone must not only immediately revoke the ban but also develop nationwide strategies to address gender inequality.



PH: Community Health Care Initiative (Libertia)

Our Awards

GFC was founded with the radical idea that providing flexible funding to small, local organizations can transform the lives of children and youth worldwide. Our annual awards – named for individuals who have championed this idea to advance GFC’s mission – celebrate some of these outstanding organizations and further catalyze their success.



“This award affirms that the plight of countless children being rescued from child labor, trafficking, and early marriage has now been brought to light.”

– Anuradha Bhosale, Vice-Chair of Avani

JULIETTE GIMON COURAGE AWARD

Winners: Avani (India) / Challenging Heights (Ghana)

A longtime advocate and former Board Chair of GFC, Juliette Gimon possessed a brave and passionate spirit that helped to change hundreds of thousands of young lives. Established in 2019, the Courage Award honors her legacy by recognizing innovative community-based organizations that are positively impacting children and youth in especially challenging circumstances.

On opposite sides of the world, the 2020 Courage Award winners are boldly working to advance children’s rights despite extreme challenges. Both Avani in India and Challenging Heights in Ghana are led by survivors of forced child labor and modern slavery who have dedicated their careers to protecting other young people from the same injustices.

In India, more than 35,000 children work in brickyards and other industries in the district of Kolhapur. In Ghana, 20,000 young people have been trafficked into modern slavery in Lake Volta’s fishing industry. In both communities, the 2020 Courage Award winners work to rescue these children and coordinate their comprehensive rehabilitation.



MAYA AJMERA SUSTAINABILITY AWARD

Winners: Ashanti Perú (Peru) / Institute for Rural Initiatives (Moldova)

GFC's visionary founder, Maya Ajmera, first pioneered the Sustainability Award in 2005, providing a special infusion of funds to outstanding GFC partners at a critical stage of their development. This award was renamed the Maya Ajmera Sustainability Award in 2011, honoring Maya's years of service to GFC. Nearly 150 organizations have received the award since its establishment.

In the midst of the global coronavirus pandemic, the 2020 awards recognized two organizations that have demonstrated vision and perseverance. Ashanti Perú in Peru and Institute for Rural Initiatives in Moldova are working to meet the most pressing needs of young people and their communities, while working to build a more equal future beyond the pandemic.

Ashanti Perú's work with Afro-descendant youth is a critical reminder of the legacy of slavery and the need for racial justice. The organization's powerful vision for change involves strengthening networks of Afro-descendant youth in the region. In Moldova, Institute for Rural Initiatives has shown throughout its history, and in its response to COVID-19, that true sustainability requires deep listening and building ownership with young people and communities.



ROBERT D. STILLMAN DIGNITY AWARD

Winner: Jelly Beanz (South Africa)

A steadfast supporter and former Board Chair of GFC, Bob Stillman stewarded GFC's mission with warmth and dedication. Established in 2020, the Dignity Award honors Bob's commitment to improving the lives of the children and youth who are most in need. The award recognizes outstanding organizations responding to the vulnerabilities, risks, and challenges that affect the wellbeing of children and youth.

The inaugural Dignity Award winner, Jelly Beanz, aims to break the cycle of intergenerational trauma and abuse. Jelly Beanz provides direct therapeutic services to South African children who have experienced sexual abuse, violence, and trauma and works to prevent abuse from occurring.

In a country where one in three children is sexually abused before age 18, the global coronavirus pandemic has only added greater urgency to this work. Jelly Beanz is creating new resources for phone and online therapy, training childcare workers, compiling therapeutic stories for children, and using multilingual radio programming to raise awareness among millions of listeners.

Learn more about our annual awards at globalfundforchildren.org/awards

Our Donors

Our work would not be possible without you: global citizens who want to make positive, lasting change in the lives of children and youth. Thank you.

INDIVIDUALS

Anonymous (5)

A

Reena & Rajit Agrawal
 Maya Ajmera & David H. Hollander Jr.
 Jennifer & Peter Altabef
 Karen Ansara
 Esther & Michel Antakly
 Madeline & Nicholas Antonas
 Barbara & William Ascher

B

Lucy & Henry Billingsley
 Flora Birdzell
 Bernadette Black & Thomas Barnes
 Paul G. Broder
 Laura Broenniman
 Joshua Brown

C

James "Jamie" M. Cain, Esq.
 Anne M. Cavaliere
 Jennifer & Kevin Cavanaugh
 Katherine A. Chang & Thomas Einstein
 Julie Covino & Sulman Ahmed

D

Blake & Michael Daffey
 Marianne & Alessandro d'Ansembourg
 Shashi & Dipanjan "DJ" Deb
 Stephanie & Antoine de Guillenchmidt
 Barbara & Thomas Donnelley

E

Jennifer & James Esposito
 Omar P. Evans

F

Nathalie Farman-Farma
 Kristen & Mitchell Fenster
 Jeanne Donovan Fisher
 Priscilla & Ty Fujimura

G

Eleanor H. Gimon
 Ian Glasner

H

David Haber
 Gail Ewing Hall
 Susan Carter Harrington
 & Thomas Harrington
 Karla Harwich
 Fred Hecklinger

J

Gunjan & Anurag Jain

K

Zsuzsanna Karasz & John P. Lipsky
 Iris & Donald Kim

L

Deborah Levy
 Joan Lombardi & Neville Beharie
 Sarah Losinger
 Teresa Luchsinger

M

Shweta Siraj Mehta & Amish Mehta
 Stacey Mitchell & Martin Lackovic

N

Margaret Nelson & David Krischer

P

Anjali Pichai
 Richard Powell

R

Ilknur & Robert Ralston
 Rekha Reddy
 Sarah & Andrew Rennie
 Madeleine & Lyndon Rive
 Derek Robinson
 Mary & Timothy Rooney
 Lila & Andrew Rymer

S

Jesse & Keith Sanford
 Chantal & James Sheridan
 Melanie & Michael Sherwood
 Anne & Robert Spar
 Margaret Stillman

T

Leonie Pascale Taylor

W

Greg Wallig
 Barbara & Steven T. Watson
 Cristy West
 Peter Wunsch

PH: Organización para el Empoderamiento de la Juventud (Honduras)

Donor Spotlights

LILA RYMER

Lila Rymer only recently joined the Board of Directors, but her dedication to GFC's work with community-based partners and young people around the world stands out. She was critical in spreading the word and securing contributions for the COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund in the spring and is a valued partner to the whole GFC team.

“GFC has an extraordinary and unique expertise in identifying innovative organizations at the grassroots level that have the energy and motivation to enact change. By providing flexible and often first funding to its partners, GFC reaches children and youth who might otherwise go unsupported. GFC’s COVID-19 response highlights its ability to act nimbly and fund quickly. By starting local and helping children feel safe, valued, and empowered to find their voice, GFC lays the groundwork for long-term change at the community, regional, and national levels. GFC has a proven track record with measured results over many years, giving donors confidence that their support makes a real and tangible impact – the litmus test of philanthropic giving,” Lila said.

STACEY KEARE / GIRLS RIGHTS PROJECT

Stacey Keare has enthusiastically championed GFC's mission for nearly 20 years. Her longstanding and ongoing commitment to the community-driven and youth-focused model has been instrumental to GFC's sustainability and growth. She is one of GFC's most dedicated supporters, especially in regard to empowering and supporting girls around the world.

“I have been a supporter of GFC ever since meeting Maya Ajmera, the founder, in 2001. It was immediately clear to me the impact that could be made with a small donation to a successful grassroots organization, and there were (and are) few ways to do that overseas other than through GFC. I went to India and met with several GFC partners, which sealed my commitment to helping girls who are in danger of, or victims of, trafficking. The best way to protect and aid underserved girls is to help keep them safe and help them earn an education, both of which require successful community partners on the ground. GFC continues to serve and protect children throughout the world with its unique and successful model, and I am happy to be able to support the organization in doing so,” Stacey said.

Donor Spotlights

PEOPLE'S POSTCODE LOTTERY

With funding from People's Postcode Lottery, GFC is helping a small cohort of community-based partners unlock girls' potential in conflict-affected areas of Uganda. GFC contributes to these partners' success by sharing technical tools, resources, and funding opportunities to help them reach their goals; supporting them in identifying areas for infrastructure strengthening; and helping them to build connections and grow their networks.

“Funding local grassroots organizations in Africa has always been an ambition of Postcode African Trust, but we have found it difficult to identify the right partner to begin our journey into this space. That’s why we were delighted to partner with Global Fund for Children this year. They are an organization which share our values – that funding should be flexible and relationships built on trust – and we have learned a great deal from our work with them in Uganda this past year,” said Callum Aitken, International Development Advisor at People’s Postcode Lottery.

This grant is a special award thanks to the players of People's Postcode Lottery.

LINGUMI

Lingumi, a preschool education platform that delivers daily language lessons at home, announced it would donate 20% of customer revenue to charitable projects helping children around the world access critical education, medicine, and food supplies. The company selected GFC's COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund, which provides immediate cash grants to local organizations serving children affected by the pandemic.

“GFC is agile, working with partner organizations on the ground rather than deploying support from a big, cumbersome multinational. We knew the money would reach children in need of help faster,” said Toby Mather, Founder and CEO of Lingumi.



CORPORATIONS

Absolute Internship
Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
AMC Networks
bonafide hr
Charlesbridge Publishing
Estée Lauder Companies
Goldman Sachs Gives
Goldman Sachs International
Lingumi
PJT Partners
Tea Collection

FOUNDATIONS & TRUSTS

Anonymous (3)
Bainum Family Foundation
Bridgemill Foundation
Comic Relief
The Derrill Allatt Foundation
Dorothea Haus Ross Foundation
Dubai Cares Foundation
Fondation Les Pâquerettes
Girls Rights Project
GlobalGiving
Hurlbut-Johnson Charitable Trusts
Hutton Family Foundation
Marc Haas Foundation
The National Lottery Community Fund
North-East Family Foundation
NoVo Foundation
People's Postcode Lottery
The Perot Foundation
The Summit Foundation
The Tides Foundation
WE Trust

MATCHING GIFTS, WORKPLACE GIVING

Benevity Community Impact Fund
Global Impact
World Bank Community Connections Fund

PRO BONO PARTNERS

Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP
bonafide hr
Eversheds Sutherland LLP
Lex Mundi

LEGACY GIFTS

Maya Ajmera & David H. Hollander Jr.
Antonella Antonini & Alan Stein
Colleen Brinkmann
Warren L. Kessler
Iara Lee
John Presley
Adele Richardson Ray

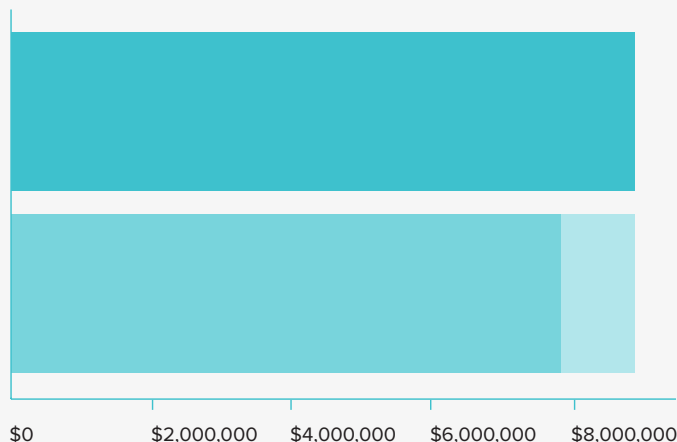
Our Financials

Consolidated statement of financial position

as of June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2019

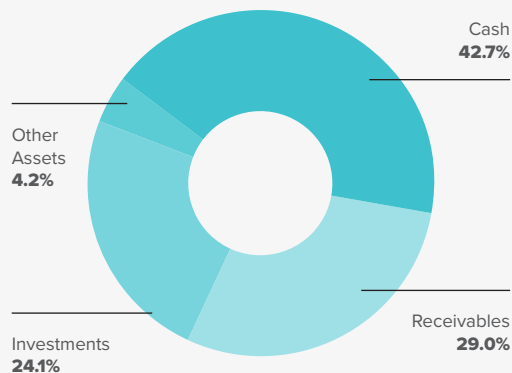
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ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 3,822,898	\$ 2,215,458
Receivables	2,590,122	5,232,370
Investments	2,154,049	2,869,110
Other Assets	376,619	389,096
Total Assets	\$ 8,943,688	\$ 10,706,034
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$ 190,939	\$ 152,677
Notes Payable	305,750	-
Grants Payable	277,517	99,000
Other Liabilities	280,913	297,380
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,055,119	\$ 549,057
Net Assets		
Net Assets without Donor Restrictions	\$ 1,874,970	\$ 2,821,795
Net Assets with Donor Restrictions	6,013,599	7,335,182
Total Net Assets	\$ 7,888,569	\$ 10,156,977
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 8,943,688	\$ 10,706,034

FINANCIAL POSITION

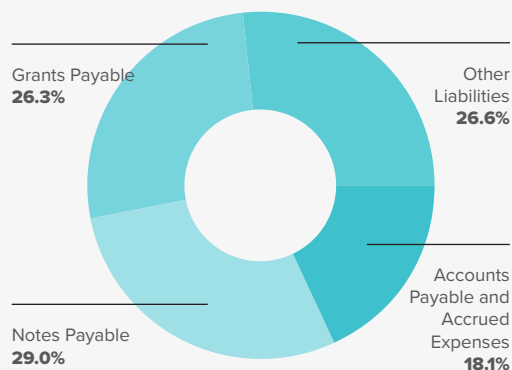


● Total Assets **\$8,943,688**
● Total Net Assets **\$7,888,569**
● Total Liabilities **\$1,055,119**

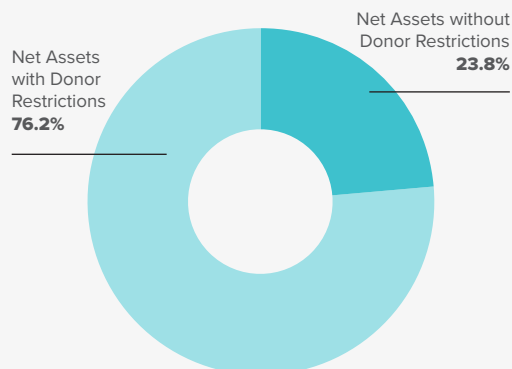
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LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS



NET ASSETS

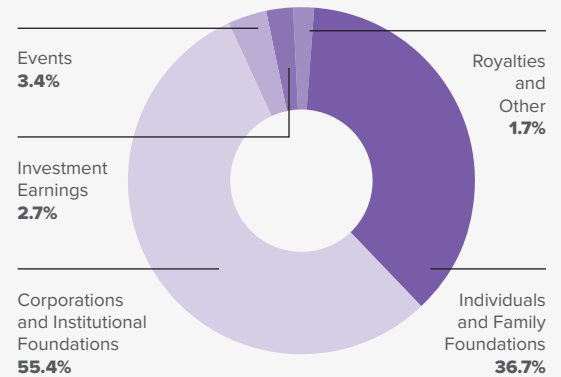


Statement of activities for the year ended

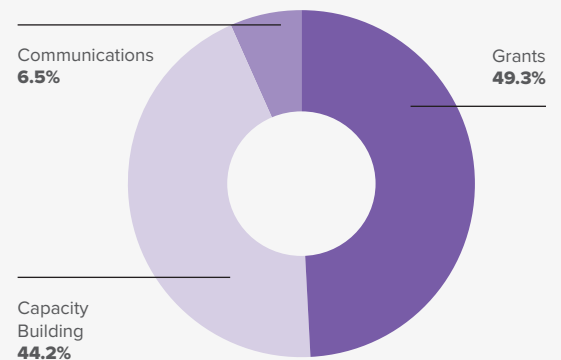
June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2019

	2020	2019
REVENUE		
Individuals and Family Foundations	\$ 1,538,477	\$ 1,817,462
Corporations and Institutional Foundations	2,320,194	4,115,304
Events	142,000	-
Investment Earnings	114,798	127,223
Royalties and Other	72,483	33,114
Total Revenue	\$ 4,187,952	\$ 6,093,103
EXPENSES		
Program Expenses		
Grants	\$ 2,440,818	\$ 2,092,175
Capacity Building	2,187,491	2,239,849
Communications	321,607	351,371
Total Program Expenses	\$ 4,949,916	\$ 4,683,395
Management and General	\$ 652,649	\$ 750,011
Development	853,795	956,385
Total Expenses	\$ 6,456,360	\$ 6,389,791
Increase in Net Assets	\$ (2,268,408)	\$ (296,688)

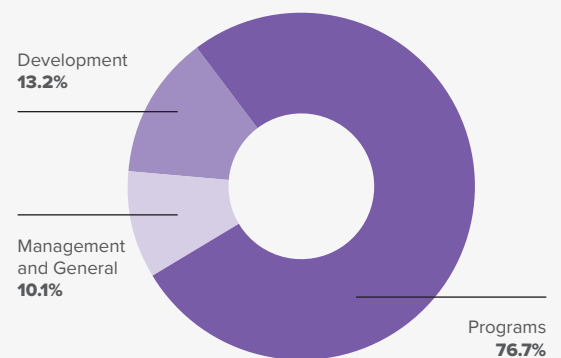
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Leadership Spotlight

GUNJAN JAIN

Gunjan Jain has been a supporter and leader of GFC's mission for over a decade. As Chair of the Board of Directors, she successfully guided GFC during a crucial period of advancement and progress within the organization. Her longstanding commitment to GFC's vision and model of community-driven work has been vital to GFC's growth, and she continues to be a champion for GFC globally and in her home community of Dallas, Texas.

“When I joined GFC in 2017, I was very fortunate to have Gunjan as an advisor and mentor, and during that period of quick personal and professional growth, Gunjan became a trusted friend. I’m truly grateful for Gunjan’s belief in GFC’s model and her partnership in steering the organization through fundamental transformations that are a big part of GFC’s current momentum and growth,” said John Hecklinger, GFC’s President and CEO.





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