

The Emergency Community Fund supports families in crisis

As the coronavirus continues to affect millions worldwide, it's children and families living in poverty who are most at risk. Social distancing can be impossible to practice when you're living in a crowded slum. Those who were once only surviving on daily wages are now without work at all.

Shocks like loss of income or illness compound poverty's debilitating toll. That's why our long-standing Emergency Community Fund was created — to keep struggling families from slipping further into poverty due to unexpected expenses.

Now, as the pandemic continues to affect families worldwide, the fund is facing an unprecedented need for additional resources. We are seeking investments to increase the Emergency Community Fund so we can better assist families when they need help the most.

Your investment will allow us to aid families facing urgent situations, including COVID-19. You'll also be ensuring funds are available for other emergency needs. For example, in addition to the support we've provided families so far, the Emergency Community fund was available to those impacted by the cyclone that hit India this May.

Through the Emergency Community Fund, you can help support children and families by:

- Covering costs related to medical emergencies, like COVID-19
- Providing food and living expenses when income is lost
- Connecting families with local resources to access critical support

We have operated this emergency fund for more than 25 years, and have a proven system on the ground for assessing our families' needs and verifying them.

Because food security has been universally identified as the most urgent need for families, our goal is to provide food support for each of the 148,895 families involved with Children International.

To meet this goal, we have already raised \$1 million through our Emergency Community Fund campaign and have repurposed \$2.48 million from programs we cannot currently deliver, **leaving a remaining balance of \$1.5 million to raise** so we can provide one week's worth of food to each family.

[Please click here to provide what you can to help those most impacted by this pandemic.](#)



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She says,
‘I’m hungry.’

How do I reason
with her? She’s
only 4. Sometimes
I feel like crying.”

— Dalila F., volunteer
mother, speaking about
her daughter Angelica

Emergency Community Fund need by the numbers



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| <p>1 COLOMBIA
22,248 families
Week of groceries: \$25
Total cost: \$556,200</p> | <p>5 GUATEMALA
10,125 families
Week of groceries: \$25
Total cost: \$253,125</p> | <p>9 PHILIPPINES – BICOL
18,467 families
Week of groceries: \$50
Total cost: \$923,350</p> |
| <p>2 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
13,948 families
Week of groceries: \$37.50
Total cost: \$523,050</p> | <p>6 HONDURAS
8,955 families
Week of groceries: \$22.50
Total cost: \$201,488</p> | <p>10 PHILIPPINES – MANILA
17,871 families
Week of groceries: \$37.50
Total cost: \$670,163</p> |
| <p>3 ECUADOR – GUAYAQUIL
13,567 families
Week of groceries: \$50
Total cost: \$678,350</p> | <p>7 INDIA
15,234 families
Week of groceries: \$12.50
Total cost: \$190,425</p> | <p>11 UNITED STATES
2,010 families
Week of groceries: \$50
Total cost: \$100,500</p> |
| <p>4 ECUADOR – QUITO
8,738 families
Week of groceries: \$37.50
Total cost: \$327,675</p> | <p>8 MEXICO
7,086 families
Week of groceries: \$22.50
Total cost: \$159,435</p> | <p>12 ZAMBIA
10,646 families
Week of groceries: \$37.50
Total cost: \$399,225</p> |

APPROXIMATELY
149,000

families served worldwide

NEARLY
193,000

children and youth served worldwide

APPROXIMATELY
\$150

The average monthly income for families, not including the U.S.