



2018

Food For The Poor

ANNUAL REPORT



“Therefore, our God, we give You thanks and we praise the majesty of Your name.” (1 Chronicles 29:13)

A Message

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Friends in Christ,

I am truly grateful for everything you did for the poor in 2018.

Because of you, hope was given to those in desperate need. You blessed the poor through your love and compassion.

You chose to answer their cries and because of that, lives were saved and families blessed. You opened your heart and touched countless lives in desperate need, doing as our Lord asked by caring for the poor.

Whether you fed starving children, built homes for those living in squalid shacks, provided clean water for the parched, or helped in some other vital way, you were a shining testament of Christ’s command for us to love one another as He loved us.

I hope and pray you will continue to join us as we work together to help those who have so little. So many of our poorest brothers and sisters remain in great need. Through your continued support, there is much we can do to bring them relief and hope.

Thank you for all you do for the poor!

A servant of the poor,

Robin G. Mahfood

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COVER: Roseberline, 3, sits by the door frame of her former house in Haiti wearing her best dress.

LEFT: Raquel, 7, and her second-grade classmates smile joyfully while enjoying a nutritious lunch provided by generous Food For The Poor donors at a school in Nicaragua.

2018 Summary of Activities*

Total Expenditures	\$953,123,654
Operating Expenses	\$55,252,058
Tractor-Trailers of Aid Distributed	4,541

**Subject to final audit.*

Year in Review

2018

You Helped Support
7,760
Children
in Our Angels Of Hope Program

You Built
4,253
New Homes

You Provided
\$2,844,769
for Self-Help
Projects

You Provided
4,509
Clean Water
and Sanitation
Systems

Your outpouring of generosity in 2018 has accomplished the impressive results listed on this page. You have made a tremendous difference for children, families and communities.

You Built, Repaired
or Expanded
58
Schools

You provided
over 25
million meals
a month

You Distributed **4,541**
Tractor-Trailer Loads of Aid Worth
\$833,867,448

Dayana, 7,
Haiti.



Food For The Poor strives to tackle the problem of poverty by not only meeting immediate needs, but also by providing the destitute with the means to lift themselves out of poverty through education and micro-enterprise opportunities. Thanks to you, we are giving the destitute hope for a better life and empowering them with the tools to accomplish it. This is the impact you are making.



**“Sharing your bread
with the hungry...
Then your light shall break
forth like the dawn...”**

(Isaiah 58:7a,8a)

Feeding

THE HUNGRY

In 2018, you were a lifesaver to the hungry poor when you fed those who had nothing to eat. You helped to deliver lifesaving food shipments, and enabled us to deliver nutritious food to clinics, nutritional centers, churches and feeding programs in many destitute communities.

Because of you, we can provide 15,000 meals per day, six days a week, to the poor at our feeding center in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. These meals are often the only food they have each day. Your support is saving countless lives.

Because of you, children are saved from the crippling effects of malnutrition. The parents of these children praise God for all the support you have sent them. You heard the cries of the hungry poor and responded through your loving generosity.

Thank you for feeding the hungry and the poor in spirit.

LEFT: Fredy, 1, had severe malnutrition but is much better and gaining weight at a nutritional center in Guatemala with the love and support of staff and Food For The Poor donors.

Feeding Facts & Figures

- › Thanks to you, in 2018, **over 25 million lifesaving meals a month** were provided to feed malnourished children and their families.
- › Because of your generosity, we are able to provide **15,000 meals a day, six days a week**, to feed the hungry at our feeding center in Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

Through you, Food For The Poor supports hundreds of food-generating projects, and other projects and programs that help the poor like the ones listed on page 8.

BELOW: Ensa, 4, keeps a close eye as the lunch trays are readied for serving at a children's home in Haiti. The feeding program, sponsored by compassionate Food For The Poor donors, feeds hundreds of children daily.



Sheltering

THE HOMELESS

In 2018, your generosity gave desperately poor families a chance to sleep soundly — maybe for the first time in their lives — in a secure home.

Children who were once too afraid to close their eyes at night, now sleep peacefully. By providing safe refuge for the most vulnerable among us, you helped transform the lives of thousands of poor families in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Food For The Poor homes are sturdily built structures with doors that lock, roofs that keep out the rain, sanitation and a water component which provide parents a safe environment to raise their children, and give them hope for a better, brighter future.

You have heard the cries of the poor and responded with love, bringing God's mercy and love to those who have been patiently waiting for an answer to their prayers. Thank you.

Housing Facts & Figures

- › Because of you, in 2018, Food For The Poor built **4,253 homes** for families in need of safe shelter.
- › Since 1982, we have constructed **83,557 homes** for the poor.

RIGHT: Dayana, 7, lived in a shack with jagged rocks for a floor.

FAR RIGHT: Dayana and her mom, Marieflo, are overjoyed with their new home. With a door that locks, Marieflo no longer fears for her children's safety.



“For You are a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in distress; Shelter from the rain, shade from the heat.”

(Isaiah 25:4)



Developing

A FUTURE

2018 Project Summary

PROJECT	COST
Housing/Housing Villages	\$ 17,093,000
Construction & Repairs (for schools, clinics & multipurpose centers)	\$ 8,252,138
Water (water treatment units, wells, housing water/sanitation and specific water projects)	\$ 7,427,642
Development & Self-Help Projects (for aquaculture ponds, fishing villages, fruit-tree nurseries, animal husbandry, etc.)	\$ 2,844,769
Program Support (for clinics, nursing homes, schools, feeding programs & children's home)	\$ 1,129,277
Total Projects	\$ 36,746,826

Thanks to your support, whole communities have gone from poverty-stricken to thriving through the building of safe homes, access to clean water, and funding of income-generating projects. Here are some examples of how you, and other generous friends like you, have transformed the lives of the poor.



1. Sylfrantz and her daughter, Andaika, gather water at their village's community well, only a few steps from their home.
2. A fishing village can help fishermen in poor communities provide food, and income from the sale of extra fish to help lift them out of poverty.
3. Widjilinda, 3, holds eggs collected as part of her community chicken project.
4. A village clinic was funded by generous donors.
5. Kindergarten students can now learn in a new school built by generous donors.
6. Darcorelly, 11, embraces a baby goat, as part of an animal husbandry project that she helps with after school at a Food For The Poor village.
7. Clauniel waits with his sick daughter, Chana, 1, to be seen by doctors at a village clinic.

BOTTOM: Guy Alexander Village, Artibonite, Haiti

*"Entrust your works to the LORD,
and your plans will succeed."*

(Proverbs 16:3)



*“O LORD, my God,
I cried out to You and
You healed me.”*

(Psalm 30:3)

LEFT: Dr. Ismael Espinoza treats 8-year-old Jorleny’s injured eye at a clinic in Nicaragua, supported by generous Food For The Poor donors.

RIGHT: A nurse examines 5-month-old Fadline at a clinic that is part of a Food For The Poor village built by compassionate donors in Haiti.

Healing

THE SICK

Without access to proper healthcare or medicine, preventable diseases can become a life or death battle, especially for the destitute. Because of your loving generosity and support in 2018, Food For The Poor was able to deliver much-needed medical attention and treatment to needy children and families in the Caribbean and Latin America.

You were instrumental in helping to save the lives of thousands in Latin America and the Caribbean by providing hundreds of tractor-trailer loads of lifesaving medicine, medical supplies and equipment to poverty-stricken children and families.

Because of your generous and loving support, hospitals, clinics and medical-care centers were able to provide proper medical attention and care to those in desperate need. Babies received a healthier start in life because you helped provide critically needed medicine, and innocent children no longer face the risk of death from treatable or preventable diseases. Instead, they will receive the care they need, and deserve.

Thank you for helping the sick and suffering with your compassion and love.

Medical Facts & Figures

Food For The Poor shipped **611 tractor-trailer loads** of medicine and medical supplies in 2018.

Country	Tractor-Trailers
Haiti	186
Guatemala	138
Honduras	65
Jamaica	64
El Salvador	42
Guyana	39
Nicaragua	25
Dominican Republic	21
Other	31



Teaching

THE CHILDREN

“Instruct a wise man, and he becomes still wiser; teach a just man, and he advances in learning.”
(Proverbs 9:9)

Without an education, children have little chance of escaping the cycle of poverty that entraps their parents. Thanks to your help in 2018, poor children received the tools they needed to learn.

Educating children remains one of Food For The Poor’s greatest passions. You help us deliver the materials to children to lift them out of poverty. From partnering with us to build schools in countries like Jamaica to delivering textbooks and computers to Haiti and other countries, you are there, guiding children to a brighter future. Thanks to your support, children had paper, pens, pencils, textbooks and other necessities. They sat in classrooms that had real desks and chairs instead of rough wooden benches.

Many impoverished parents dream of their children receiving an education and having an opportunity for a better life. Your generosity ignites the spark of learning in children that becomes a lamp lighting the way to a brighter future. Thank you for giving children the chance to learn.



Education Facts & Figures

In 2018, our donors built, repaired or expanded **58 schools** and shipped **317 tractor-trailer loads** of school furniture, books and supplies.

Food For The Poor donors provide notebooks and school materials, including tables and chairs, to this children's home in Haiti.

Caring

PARTNERS



Food For The Poor works with many organizations, both foreign and domestic, to provide lifesaving aid to the destitute poor. Our partners include other nongovernmental organizations, churches of various denominations, community organizations, local charities and others to provide critical aid directly to those most in need.

Thanks to their generous support, Food For The Poor was once again able to provide desperately needed materials and emergency supplies to impoverished families in Latin America and the Caribbean in 2018.

By sharing blessings with those less fortunate, our caring partners made it possible for Food For The Poor to help the poorest of the poor and brought the love and mercy of Christ to so many who pray for God’s intervention. Our partners are an integral part of who we are, enabling us to reach the neediest among us and shine a ray of hope into their otherwise dark world of poverty.

Caring Partners

Items	Tractor-Trailers
Clothing	176
Footwear	48
Total	224

Our partners also helped to provide food, medical supplies and other aid listed elsewhere in this Annual Report.

Twin sisters recovering from severe malnutrition, Maria Rosa and Maria Natalia, 18 months, kiss and hug at a nutritional center supported by Food For The Poor donors.

“Beloved, you are faithful in all you do for the brothers, especially for strangers.”

(3 John 1:5)

FINANCIAL STATEMENT*

Statement of Activities

SUPPORT AND REVENUE:

Contributions - Cash	\$ 137,900,739
Contributions - Donated Goods	802,004,114
Contributions - Pledges	2,499,381
Other Income	225,600
Total Support and Revenue	\$ 942,629,834

EXPENSES:

Program - Education	\$ 36,889,924
Program - Healthcare	554,973,978
Program - Basic Needs	183,129,749
Program - Community Support & Development	87,127,786
Program - Intra-program Costs	35,750,159
Fundraising	44,137,804
Administration	11,114,254
Total Expenses	\$ 953,123,654

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS \$ (10,493,820)

*Year ended December 31, 2018. Subject to final audit.

Statement of Financial position

ASSETS:

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 9,604,459
Contributions Receivable	1,250,110
Property & Equipment	14,849,815
Goods-in-Transit	4,787,574
Other Assets	1,504,938
Total Assets	\$ 31,996,896

LIABILITIES:

Accounts Payable	\$ 3,192,395
Accrued Liabilities	3,045,691
Total Liabilities	\$ 6,238,086

NET ASSETS:

Unrestricted	\$ 25,544,729
Restricted	214,081
Total Net Assets	\$ 25,758,810

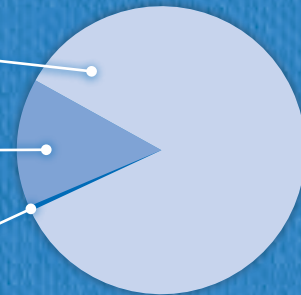
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS \$ 31,996,896

Revenue

Donated Goods:
85.1%

Cash:
14.6%

Pledges and
Other Income:
0.3%

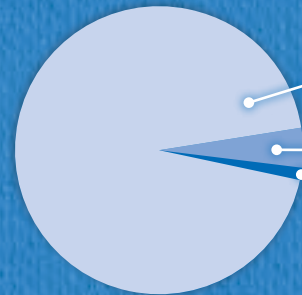


Expenses

Program Services:
94.2%

Fundraising:
4.6%

Management:
1.2%



DISTRIBUTED IN 2018*

4,541 tractor-trailers worth \$833,867,448

Antigua	194,108	Haiti	346,724,406
Barbados	373,177	Honduras	60,537,557
Belize	5,131,709	Jamaica	98,452,626
Colombia	530,127	Nicaragua	26,007,805
Dominica	2,071,143	St. Lucia	1,863,792
Dominican Republic	23,854,292	Trinidad	8,169,319
El Salvador	34,577,497	United States	2,285,546
Grenada	4,116,726	US - Puerto Rico	6,067,627
Guatemala	184,126,390	Other	48,228
Guyana	28,735,374		

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Jessica, 5, in El Salvador, poses with a bag of rice provided for her family by the generosity of Food For The Poor donors.



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*“For where **your treasure** is,
there also will your heart be.”*
(Matthew 6:21)



Jocelyn, 5,
Honduras



*A Special Thank You
to Our **Join The Pack**
Volunteers!*

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who helped in the Join The Pack sessions to fill bags of food for hungry children and families.

Teams worked in assembly lines in various packing sessions, filling bags with nutritional nonperishable food. Special thanks goes to our partner, Feed My Starving Children, a Christian nonprofit that provides the “MannaPacks.” God bless you for caring for the hungry!

LEFT: Students at a school in Nicaragua pray before their meals at a lunchtime program supported by generous Food For The Poor donors.

ABOVE: Groups of volunteers from generous corporations gather to pack nutritious supplemental meals of MannaPack at one of our Join The Pack events.

Giving

THANKS

We are filled with gratitude for you, our wonderful Food For The Poor supporters and partners. Your love, prayers and generous compassion is at the heart of everything we do for the poor. Thank you for blessing lives in 2018.

We thank God for the incredible transformations you implemented for countless families and children across the Caribbean and Latin America. Thanks to your sacrificial giving, the world is a much brighter place.

For those who created a generous legacy through Food For The Poor, we are grateful and honored you chose us. Gifts, bequests and trusts are tremendous sources of support, and have a lasting effect in the lives of the poor.

No matter what you did to assist the poor, it made a difference. Whether you lifted the poor out of poverty through short-term solutions, such as providing immediate food and relief, or through long-term solutions where children were educated and poor families became self-sufficient, you served Christ.

The good works you accomplished unlocked a better life for countless poor families. Through Food For The Poor’s extensive network of resources, families were empowered and lives were transformed for the better. One person at a time — lives are changed forever. By nurturing the poor, we become the change we wish to see in the world and spread the love of Christ.

We look forward to working with you in the coming year. Our goals for 2019 remain the same — to be your humble charity to help those who have so little in this world. May God bless you. Thank you for continuing to remember the poorest of the poor in your prayers and partnering with us to help them.



Vision Statement

Food For The Poor is God's instrument to help the materially poor and to renew the poor in spirit.

Our ministry is a reflection of our Lord's unconditional love — a love that surrenders all, that inspires trust and faith, and that embraces all people, regardless of race, status or creed.

It is also shaped by our belief that Christ is alive and can be served directly by serving those in greatest need. (Matthew 25:40)

For guidance and to maintain the purity of our mission, we stress the need for regular prayer.

Through surrender, service and prayer, we seek a closer union with our Lord.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to link the church of the First World with the church of the Third World in a manner that helps both the materially poor and the poor in spirit.

The materially poor are served by local churches, clergy and lay leaders who have been empowered and supplied with goods by Food For The Poor.

The poor in spirit are renewed by their relationship with and service to the poor through our direct ministry of teaching, encouragement and prayer.

Ultimately, we seek to bring both benefactors and recipients to a closer union with our Lord.



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Yvens, 6, smiles as he is framed by the cloths used for walls in his makeshift house in Haiti.