



# 2021

## ANNUAL REPORT





# HELPING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AROUND THE WORLD

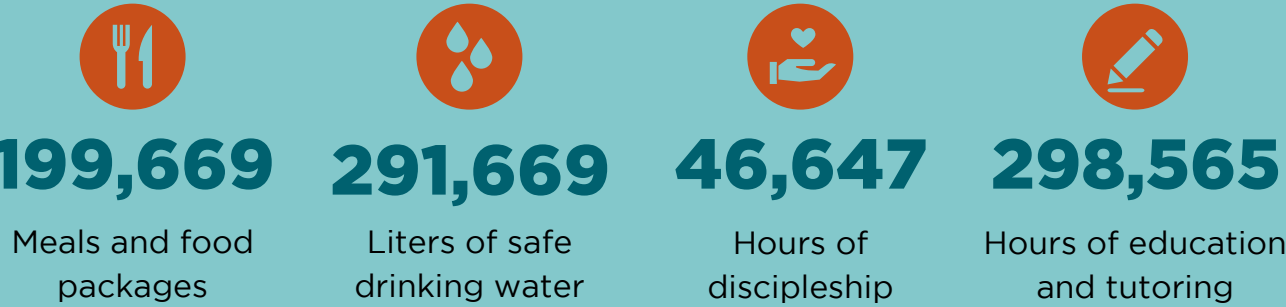
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## OUR IMPACT TOGETHER IN 2021





# A LETTER FROM OUR FOUNDER

The extraordinary dedication of our IHQ and Field Staff, along with generous support from partners around the country, made 2021 another blessed year for Forward Edge. But it was also a year of great loss. Two of our beloved friends in Nicaragua—Ricardo Hernandez and his son, Josiel—both succumbed to Covid-19. A pastor for more than 30 years, Ricardo was the leader of our boys' program and an invaluable member of our Nicaragua management team. Josiel was a gifted chef who often prepared meals for visiting mission teams. Both will be sorely missed.

I began this letter by sharing about Ricardo and Josiel because, perhaps more than anything, Forward Edge is a *loving community*. Maintaining authentic relationships—with God and with others—has always been our highest priority. Consequently, Ricardo and Josiel were far more to us than mere co-workers; they were family. And while their passing broke our hearts, it also revealed the depth of our relational culture.

You see, one of the things Forward Edge has demonstrated over the years is that organizations like ours can be highly professional, efficient, and effective without being “corporate.” And by corporate, I mean overly hierarchical...not open or transparent...too quick to hire and fire, rather than allowing people to grow and learn from their mistakes. Openness... transparency... vulnerability... prioritizing people over projects—these are all core values of Forward Edge that we've had from the beginning.

In addition to our highly relational culture, there are two other distinctives of Forward Edge that have directly contributed to our effectiveness as a ministry:

1) the *holistic* nature of our child focused, community development programs, and

2) the fact that our programs are directed by *local* Jesus followers.

Regarding distinctive #1, studies confirm that the absence of holistic care for vulnerable children—i.e. nutritious meals, education, tutoring, health care, access to safe drinking water, and spiritual discipleship—has a devastating impact on their lives, while providing such care has a profoundly positive impact. Regarding distinctive #2, local directors are optimally effective because they not only know the language and culture but are living role models of who the children in our programs can become.

The following testimonies powerfully confirm the benefits of these distinctives.

“I entered the Forward Edge program when I was 12 years old. After 10 years in the program, today I finished university and have a degree in Tourism Business Administration. I know God is using me to do something new...to serve Him in the church, and to bless others, just as I was blessed.” Berenice / Graduate of our program in Oaxaca, Trigo y Miel

“My dream is to finish my nursing career and to be able to explore all the knowledge

I am acquiring so I can be of service to more people.” Ileana / Graduate of our program in Nicaragua, Villa Esperanza

“To the other children in Mama Beth's [Forward Edge's program in Kenya], I pray that God would help them to get sponsors, as I have been sponsored. So they can be helped as I have been helped...and even more.” Peter, who lost both of his parents to AIDS

It's testimonies like these that attest to the eternal value of all God is doing through this ministry.

In closing, I want to share about another significant occurrence that took place in 2021: on 12/31 I handed over my role as Forward Edge's President. Next to loving my wife, children, and grandchildren, providing leadership for Forward Edge has been the greatest privilege of my life. I will be forever grateful to God for allowing me to be a part of all He has done through this ministry over the past 38+ years.

I am also grateful to God for raising up Tim Ainley as my successor. Tim has been serving with Forward Edge for more than 12 years, and he embodies the core values of this ministry. In addition to having a servant's heart, he is a man of prayer who understands the importance of being led by the Holy Spirit. He's also genuinely passionate about our mission and able to articulate that mission with clarity and enthusiasm. In short, Tim is uniquely qualified to not only preserve the culture of Forward Edge but lead us into the future.

And by God's amazing grace, I believe that future will be bright. I believe in the years to come, dozens more Forward Edge programs will be started in places we haven't even discovered yet, holistically transforming the lives of countless more vulnerable children. I believe thousands of individuals and churches will cross the planet with us, sponsor children with us, and share the miracle of spiritually, emotionally, and relationally rescuing children...with us. I also believe Tim Ainley—in collaboration with our dedicated IHQ Staff, Field Staff, and Board of Directors—is the man GOD has chosen to guide us toward the fulfillment of that vision.

As you read the stories in this Annual Report, please know that the “loving community” I referred to earlier in this letter extends far beyond Forward Edge staff. It includes hundreds of prayer partners, financial partners, child sponsors, members of our mission teams, and thousands of children and adults in our programs around the world. And while my own role in this community has changed, I will *always* feel connected in my heart.



**Joseph Anfuso**  
Founder  
Forward Edge International

*In loving memory of Pastor  
Ricardo Hernandez and  
Josiel Hernandez.*





# OUR PROGRAMS

Our holistic, child-focused community development programs work in some of the poorest communities around the world. These programs are led by local pastors and visionaries to equip and empower children and families with what they need to overcome the unique challenges of their area.

## Oaxaca, Mexico

- 10 Staff
- 4 Communities
- 204 Children and Adults

## Managua, Nicaragua

- 33 Staff
- 18 Communities
- 4,557 Children and Adults

## El Cobre, Cuba

- 2 Staff
- 3 Communities
- 896 Children and Adults

## Les Cayes, Haiti

- 5 Staff
- 2 Communities
- 2,150 Children and Adults

## WHAT IS CHILD-FOCUSED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT?

Children are the seeds of the future. If planted and tended well, they will flourish and greatly impact their own families and communities. Training and equipping the next generation through education and spiritual discipleship is the greatest investment we can make in the effort to overcome generational poverty. At the same time, we support the development of their families and communities through food programs, safe water distribution, home-building, spiritual support, jobs and micro-loans.

## Kampala, Uganda

- 8 Staff
- 5 Communities
- 158 Children and Adults

## Kijabe, Kenya

- 7 Staff
- 2 Communities
- 598 Children and Adults



# 2021 HIGHLIGHTS

## MEET OUR NEW CEO

In 2021, Forward Edge's Board of Directors conducted an extensive interview process to select Tim Ainley as our new Chief Executive Officer. Tim has been part of the Forward Edge team since 2010, serving with child sponsorship, leading mission teams, and growing a successful development team at the Forward Edge International Headquarters in Vancouver, WA. Tim and his beautiful wife, Ashley, have three wonderful children, Lamaya, Cambria and Gideon, and a fourth child due in September 2022. Tim's deep love for Jesus, the global Church, and children fuels his passion for the mission of Forward Edge.



## SCHOOL OPENS IN MEXICO

In August, Siloé School, our new private Christian elementary school, welcomed its first 28 children from our program in Oaxaca, Mexico. It's not uncommon for children living nearby to struggle in school and drop out as soon as they fall behind, so this was a long-time dream come true for our Program Directors, Victor and Lety Velasco. At Siloe School, children are given high-quality, free Christian education and one-on-one support to help them excel all the way to graduation. Students have already improved a great deal academically since the school opened, and there are already growth plans to reach more children in 2022!



## PRESCHOOL BUILT IN KENYA

Thanks to many Forward Edge partners, we were able to build a preschool building complete with two different classrooms and a teacher's office! Before, the students were crammed into an old dining hall. This expansion has allowed the school to almost double in size. Our preschool welcomed 23 children in 2021 and is equipping them with the vital early education needed to succeed in primary school and beyond.



## DISASTER RECOVERY IN NICARAGUA AND HAITI

Recovery continues in the community of Las Palmas, Nicaragua after hurricanes ravaged the impoverished area in 2020. Our staff there has helped rebuild a church, a school, and a well, while also distributing supplies like food, water, and medicine.

In August of 2021, the Southern region of Haiti was struck with an earthquake causing more damage in that area than the 2010 earthquake had. We were able to help 3,000 people with immediate needs like food, blankets, sanitary kits and tarps, and will continue the recovery efforts in years to come.



## OPERATION ENDURING HOMES BUILDS TWELFTH HOUSE

Led by missionaries Tom and Wendy Hogan, Operation Enduring Homes is a Forward Edge homebuilding ministry and brick-making business providing jobs for 11 families in the community. In 2021, they completed their twelfth home for families in our children's program! We're so thankful for this life-changing program. See how Operation Enduring Homes changed the lives of Owen, Belen and their children on page 10.

## MICRO-LENDING PROGRAM LAUNCHES IN NICARAGUA

Thanks to generous donors, Forward Edge was able to begin a partnership with The NEO Fund, a trusted charity that runs a successful micro-lending program in Nicaragua. In 2021, we provided 39 low-interest loans to 30 families amounting to over \$10,000. Families were able to start or expand their small businesses and were given individualized business coaching through the Entrepreneurship Development Training Program. So far, families have been able to pay back their loans and are already seeing profit growth up to 580%!







## OWEN, BELEN, CALEB AND HANNAH'S STORY

In Zaachila, on the outskirts of Oaxaca City, Mexico, live many impoverished families who've traveled from distant areas in search of more opportunities and a better life...only to find themselves confronted with the same devastating and debilitating effects of poverty: hunger, joblessness, water-borne illness, lack of education, gang violence, drug and alcohol use. Our Mexico children's program, Trigo y Miel, was placed directly in the middle of this community to be a shining light in the lives of these families.

Owen, Belen, and their two children, Caleb and Hannah, have seen their fair share of struggle, but God has done amazing things in their family through Trigo y Miel and Operation Enduring Homes, our local homebuilding and block-making business/ministry run by missionaries Tom and Wendy Hogan. When they first joined the Trigo y Miel program, the family was in a desperate position. Owen had been disabled from an accident and was unable to work for seven months. At the time, Belen was pregnant and limited in her ability to help provide for the family. They joyfully joined the Trigo y Miel program and God began writing a beautiful story in their family as the years passed.

After Owen recovered, he began working with Tom at Operation Enduring Homes.

Their children began to thrive as the family grew holistically through Forward Edge's programs.

Owen stepped up at work and eventually became Tom's right-hand man, the one he trusts with the business' finances and deliveries. Meanwhile, Caleb and Hannah have excelled through the support they receive at the Trigo y Miel program. There they receive nutritious lunches daily to help stretch the family's finances further, as well as educational support and tutoring to keep them on pace towards graduating. This has been a big challenge for many children in Mexico – and around the world – as COVID-related school closures have set many children back in their education. However, Trigo y Miel staff have worked diligently to make sure children don't fall behind in their studies.

"Our children have a better future with their studies, and will not lack the opportunity for a profession as we do," Owen and Belen shared with a deep sense of pride.

For many years, Owen, Belen and their children lived in rented homes made of sheet metal. These homes were too small for the family and didn't protect them from the weather, often leaking when it rained. In 2021, their prayers were answered when

they received the 11th house from Operation Enduring Homes! "We can think of few folks who are so deserving of a new home," Wendy Hogan remarked.

The transformation of this entire family has been invaluable for Caleb and Hannah as they grow and develop. They're witnessing a God that does miracles in the lives of those who trust Him, and they're learning that as they grow, the sky's the limit.

Another huge milestone for the family happened in the summer of 2021 when, after many years together, Owen and Belen finally made the decision to get married. As part of the Trigo y Miel church,

led by program director and pastor Victor Velasco, they had learned the importance of following the word of God. They shared, "Since we are giving our children an example, it made us realize that we need to make good decisions according to what God indicates us to do."

Everything Trigo y Miel and Operation Enduring Homes have invested in this family will only be magnified in the lives of Caleb and Hannah as they grow up in a completely different reality than their parents experienced. They have every opportunity needed to break the cycle of poverty for generations to come.

## OVERCOMING POVERTY

**Across the world, approximately 1 billion children are multidimensionally poor, meaning they lack basic necessities like nutrition or safe drinking water. Moreover, 150 million more children have been plunged into poverty due to the COVID-19 pandemic.**

**In Haiti, children are being sold as property...in Mexico, teens search for hope through violent gangs...in Africa, AIDS orphans are abandoned in slums...and in Nicaragua, teen girls think pregnancy will put food on the table. Friends, this should not be.**

**Jesus taught us to always remember the poor (Gal. 2:10) and to let the children come to him (Matt. 19:14). Equipping and empowering children and families to overcome poverty is how we can demonstrate God's great love to a world in desperate need.**

**Our dream is to see millions of children around the world freed from spiritual and material poverty and pursuing God's extraordinary purpose for their lives. We believe that by investing in them, we're investing in God's Kingdom, both today and tomorrow.**



# DISCOVERING WORTH

Poverty isn't solved only by meeting external needs. While we can increase a child's chances of flourishing by providing nutritious meals, safe drinking water, quality education and access to health care, to fully overcome poverty, change must also happen on the inside.

Internal change starts and ends with Jesus Christ. Every human being is spiritually bankrupt without him, and that's the most important thing we teach every child we serve. Jesus is their only hope, but in him there's more hope than one could ever need or imagine.

By Christ and for Christ, every child was beautifully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14) with immense value and purpose. Until they can truly believe this, the symptoms of internal poverty – fear, self-loathing, apathy, anger, shame, and depression – will continue to hold them back from true flourishing.

Discovering their true worth takes a long time for any child, but especially those coming from oppressive and impoverished environments. We're committed to the long-term, consistent care of mind, body and soul that it takes to fully break the cycle of poverty for a new generation.

## MEDARDO'S STORY

"If I look back and see what I was, I can see a nefarious, and even a little perverted, young man. I was someone aimless, without knowledge and without any foundation."

Medardo grew up in an open-air garbage dump called La Chureca in Managua, Nicaragua, and then later, in Villa Guadalupe, the community created to

relocate the dump residents. In this environment, young boys are often left feeling aimless and fall as easy prey into a lifestyle marked by drugs, alcohol and promiscuity. Medardo couldn't envision a different life for himself and began to join in with the other boys. The more he did, the more hopeless he grew.

At the time, Medardo's two twin sisters were in our Nicaragua children's program, Villa Esperanza, and it was through them that he met Pastor Ricardo. Pastor Ricardo

was on our staff and would meet personally with families of children in our program and minister to them. On his first visit with Medardo, Pastor Ricardo asked a pointed question, "Do you want to study?" This moment was pivotal in Medardo's life. He enjoyed school, but it was difficult to imagine himself sticking with it through high school, let alone college. He didn't have the support and supplies he needed to excel. But Medardo did want to study, so he jumped at the opportunity presented to him. He was then enrolled in the Villa Esperanza scholarship program launching him on a completely new trajectory.

When the Villa Esperanza team started hosting a boys discipleship camp, Medardo excitedly joined, and there he encountered God. Through the scholarship program and personal relationships he built with the staff, Medardo became spiritually hungry, wanting all God had for him, in school and in life.

"Pastor Ricardo and those boys have helped me understand life and be a better person. By having a deeper relationship with Villa Esperanza, I said to myself that I had to make a change soon. I knew it would not be easy, but I told myself that I had to do things better."

Over time, Medardo was invited to be an assistant at these camps, learning how to invest in the lives of others. "They taught me to put more value on things, to be a good son, a good brother, a good person for my community, and above all to have a strong communion with God. When there is something unstable in my life, they would say to me, 'You need to read the Bible.'"

Medardo is excited to share this same hope he's found with others, discipling and serving them with an open heart. He sees

great worth in himself now as a young man with integrity who has much to give to the world around him.

"Comparing what I was before to what I am now...I want to stay with the person I have become."

In 2021, Medardo was *the first person in his family to graduate high school* and is excited to begin college next year to study journalism.

Medardo faced many challenges in his life, but with God's help and the support of our Nicaragua staff, he's now entering adulthood as someone who knows he matters to God and wants to be used by Him. He's one of the many lives touched and transformed by the loving care of Pastor Ricardo, who passed to the Heavenly Kingdom in the fall of 2021. His memory and impact will live on in the young men of the Villa Esperanza boys' program who are being transformed from the inside out.





## JOB'S STORY

The past two years have been particularly hard for children in Uganda. Schools remained shut through most of the pandemic. Light a Candle, our program there, worked tirelessly to help these children succeed in their education despite the seemingly impossible situation. Despite school closures, children have remained committed to pursuing education however they can, and several have successfully passed exams to proceed to the next grade. In 2021, three of our students graduated high school and are now preparing for college!

One of these graduates is Job. Job grew up in the slums of Kampala, where his life was defined by extreme hunger, domestic violence, and no opportunity to go to school. As the oldest child in his family, he was stripped of any chance to enjoy a healthy childhood.



"I was seeing other children going to school while I was left home to look after my younger siblings and there was never any sign of me ever going to school," he said. Job all but gave up on the idea that he could have a purpose beyond just surviving. The violence in Job's home got so bad that at one point, he decided the only option he had was to run away.

It was then that our program found him and was able to provide tuition so he could go to school, "I was able to finish school without ever worrying of being sent home for [lack of] fees."

Job is now on his way to fulfilling his dream of going to nursing school. He is the first person in his family, *and his entire community*, to ever go to college. His dream is to "use my nursing skills to impact lives and be a ray of hope to my family and community."

Job is a trailblazer. Through faith, and help from Forward Edge, he's traversing completely new territory into a college education and a career in helping others. We can't wait to see all God does in and through him in the years to come!

## PURSUIING GOD'S PURPOSE

Over the years, children in our programs experience transformation internally and externally, ultimately getting what they need to thrive and carry the Gospel into their families and communities with great influence and opportunity.

But this looks different for each child because each child is unique. There's no one size fits all. That's why our programs invest deeply in each child, discipling them along the way, and helping them each discover God's unique and extraordinary purpose for their lives.

To do this well, we must provide opportunities for them to jump the final hurdle in overcoming poverty: obtaining marketable skills. Through vocational training or university education - whatever fits best for each unique child - we offer an extra layer of support that sets Forward Edge apart from many other relief and development organizations serving children.

All poverty breaks God's heart. In fact, that's why Christ came - he became poor so that in him, we might become rich (2 Cor. 8:9). By joining together to help children overcome poverty, we join Christ in His great work to redeem this world. For His glory and our good!





# CHILD SPONSORSHIP

## INVESTING IN ETERNITY

Child Sponsorship adds a face, name and story to lives impacted through Forward Edge. We're so thankful for all our sponsors who are stepping up for vulnerable children around the world, showing them that they matter, and that God has an extraordinary purpose for their lives. In 2021, 162 new relationships were created between children and sponsors!

**TOTAL CHILD SPONSORSHIPS IN 2021: 635**



## BERENICE AND AMY'S STORY

The relationship fostered between a child and his/her sponsor can be a truly life-changing experience. Berenice grew up attending Trigo y Miel, our Mexico children's program. Program staff invested in her life, but so did her caring sponsors, showing her the love of God through their financial support and the letters they wrote. As Berenice was encouraged to grow in her relationship with God, she began to see her life change.

A few years ago, Berenice's sponsor, Amy, was able to visit her on a short-term mission trip. "To be able to connect in person strengthened the bond between all of us. By the end of the week, it was like having a new extended family," Amy shared.

Around this time, Berenice had graduated from high school and was hoping to start university, but her family had no way to pay for it. When Amy and her husband, Art, heard of this need, they felt God prompting them to help, so Art served extra shifts at work to cover Berenice's university costs.

In the summer of 2021, Berenice completed a degree in Tourism Business Administration and became the first college graduate from our Mexico children's program. Better still, Amy was able to fly to Mexico to celebrate Berenice's graduation with her and her family in person!

"Berenice and I were able to sit and talk for over an hour about some of the fears and struggles she had faced over the past four years, how facing those struggles helped her grow in Jesus, and how those struggles have helped her mature into the beautiful



Christ-follower she is today. What an incredible journey! It's a blessing to see how God used us to make an impact on Berenice thousands of miles away," said Amy.

Berenice now teaches in an elementary school, helps at the Trigo y Miel program, and serves in the church. She told us, "Now I know that God is using me to do something new. To serve Him in the church and to bless others, just as I was blessed."





## MISSION TEAMS

### ANOTHER YEAR OF MOVING FORWARD IN FAITH

Mission teams are an invaluable tool in connecting the Global Church through relationships. Even though taking teams in a COVID world has been defined by challenge after challenge, God continues to use the mission-mindedness of our church and school partners to make an impact in the U.S. and around the world.

In 2021, we continued to send teams to help with Oregon fire recovery as well as a few teams to Nicaragua and Mexico. These eight teams taught us so much about what it means to embody the SURF mentality: servanthood, unity, respect, and especially, flexibility. Teams built homes, assisted in disaster recovery, and even built a water purifier, as they grew in relationships, praying for and encouraging staff, children, and adults along the way.

Many others made an impact from home through child sponsorship drives, funding special projects, and pivoting to serve their own local communities when they were unable to travel internationally. We're so thankful for the committed and courageous group of Christ-followers we're privileged to call our church and school partners.

## CONNECTING THE NATIONS THROUGH RELATIONSHIP

A youth team from River West Church (Lake Oswego, Oregon) traveled down to Southern Oregon in the summer of 2021 to help build new homes for wildfire survivors as well as do some much needed construction on the home of Beatriz, Julio, and their family of six. The team was positive, productive, and built a genuine relationship with Beatriz and her family...so much so that when a different team traveled to Oaxaca, Mexico later that same week, team facilitator Sheri Stanley was

able to visit Beatriz's parents who live in Oaxaca, making a special - and almost miraculous - connection between our domestic and international mission teams.

It's amazing how God weaves together our stories in ways we could never expect. When our volunteers live their mission with faithfulness - wherever God places them - the impact He's able to create expands much further than we ever could have imagined.



## PAVING THE WAY FOR INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

In 2021, Forward Edge staff were hard at work pioneering the way for taking safe and effective short-term mission teams in a post-COVID world. We've created extensive COVID protocols, and our liability forms and mission team planning templates are being distributed to other missions agencies through SOE (Standards of Excellence in Short-Term Missions). We're thankful for this opportunity to be a forerunner for others as we learn how to continue living life on mission even amid difficult global circumstances.



# SELL A HOME, SAVE A CHILD

*Real Estate professionals breaking the mold in the industry by radically stepping up for children living in extreme poverty around the world.*

Sell a Home, Save a Child grew by leaps and bounds in 2021! Thanks to a new partnership with industry leader, Brent Gove, membership grew by 985%! Yes, you read that correctly! Our 217 Sell a Home, Save a Child members – those who've championed the cause for years, and those just joining us – are now providing the monthly funds needed to holistically care for 471 children. They're also personally sponsoring 92 children! We couldn't be more thankful for this talented and motivated group of generous Real Estate professionals.

**TOTAL RAISED SINCE 2015: \$2,481,433**

## WHAT IS SELL A HOME, SAVE A CHILD?

Sell a Home, Save a Child is a movement of Real Estate Professionals who want to make an impact in their industry and the world. 100% of their monthly donations go to supporting Forward Edge's vulnerable children's programs in Cuba, Haiti, Kenya, Mexico, Nicaragua, and Uganda. You can learn more about this game-changing program at [sellahomesaveachild.org](https://sellahomesaveachild.org).



## A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR TOP SELL A HOME, SAVE A CHILD GIVERS IN 2021!

Nick Shivers

Erik Hatch

Brent and Kathy Gove

Glenn Sanford

Alex and Lisa Mont-Ros

Lawyers Title Oregon

Knipe Realty

24/7 Properties

Finance of America Mortgage

Landro Fox Cities Realty

MegaXpansion

Real Estate Webmasters, Inc.

Ticor Title Company

The Alfano Group Inc

Jacob Crawford

Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund

Christopher Arnold

Susan and Gene Frederick

The Aimful Companies LLC

Ricardo Guadarrama

Sarah Hawley





## 2021 EVENTS

This was the first year we hosted an Over the Edge event, a unique and exhilarating fundraising event where Forward Edge volunteers rappelled 10 stories down the side of a building in Portland, Oregon! Participants and sponsors raised more than \$187,000 for our vulnerable children's programs!

We were also able to gather a small, in-person group again this year for our annual Worth & Purpose Banquet, while the rest of the Forward Edge Family joined in virtually. As always, it was an inspiring night of celebrating everything God is accomplishing through Forward Edge supporters and investing together again in more lives impacted for the future. Together, we raised more than \$417,000, the most ever raised at a Forward Edge event! Thank you!

### THANK YOU TO OUR 2021 EVENT SPONSORS!



## THE VERGE

In 2021, we launched The Verge, our caring and committed group of monthly givers pushing past the barriers of poverty by bringing transformation to suffering children and communities around the world. Thank you to our 72 members! We look forward to growing this very special community in the years to come. Learn more at [forwardedge.org/verge](https://forwardedge.org/verge).



## RESOURCES FOR YOU

In 2021, we partnered with FreeWill to offer our Forward Edge Family an easy, online tool for will and estate planning. Fifteen of you used the tool *and* included Forward Edge in your will...THANK YOU! For 2022 and beyond, we're excited to launch a new partnership with PhilanthroCorp to offer you a more comprehensive and customized will and estate planning service. **If you're interested in this *free* service, please contact Susan Wylie at 800-876-7958 ext. 2125 or [swylie@plannedgift.com](mailto:swylie@plannedgift.com).**

Also, check out Living on Purpose: The Eternal Call to Meaning and Adventure, our Founder Joseph Anfuso's online e-course helping individuals discover and pursue God's will for their lives. This powerful and effective tool has been called a catalyst for Gospel-centered and life-changing growth. **Learn more at [living-onpurpose.org](https://living-onpurpose.org).**



# 2021 FINANCIALS

TOTAL REVENUE IN 2021: **2.7M**

**IN 2021 WE INVESTED:**  
\$ 2M into our programs  
\$ .5M into our operations

**NET ASSETS:**  
\$1.3M 2020  
\$1.5M 2021

## ALLOCATION OF EXPENSES:

Programs 81%  
Admin 15%  
Fundraising 4%



## BREAKDOWN OF INVESTMENT BY PROGRAM

In 2021, we impacted 8,644 lives through our child-focused community development programs in six countries.

\$97k	Cuba
\$156k	Haiti
\$246k	Kenya
\$497k	Mexico
\$760k	Nicaragua
\$130k	Uganda
\$147k	Disaster Recovery



# OUR PROMISES TO YOU



## 85% to Programs

85 cents of every dollar you give to one of our programs goes directly toward empowering children and families in need (15 cents to administration and fundraising).\*



## Real Transformation

All your gifts to help vulnerable children go toward effective programs dedicated to long-term, holistic transformation.



## Disaster Recovery

Your donations to help disaster survivors are used to help the most vulnerable return to their homes (widows, low-income families, single moms, etc.).



## Credible Local Leaders

Your investment empowers credible, local leaders caring for their own people.



\*Sometimes program funds aren't sufficient to cover program costs, and in those instances, we borrow from the General Operations Fund (the 15%). Some years we borrow, and some years we're able to pay it back, which results in expenditure ratios that aren't always precisely 85/15. Typically, our expenditures fluctuate between 80-90% of donations received – very high for the industry.



Enhancing Trust



## OUR BOARD

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Joseph Anfuso

Karen Anfuso

Lisa DaSilva

Brad Fenison

John Greholver (Treasurer)

Kay Moore (Secretary)

Wendell Robinson

Greg Seifert (Chairman)

Gabe Winslow





**Thank you for  
allowing God to use  
you in 2021 to bless  
thousands through  
the ministry of  
Forward Edge!**

*“For we are God’s  
handiwork, created in  
Christ Jesus to do good  
works, which God prepared  
in advance for us to do.”  
- Ephesians 2:10*