



Dear Child Foundation friend,

The year 2020 is proving to be even more challenging but our communities are strong. We encourage checking in on friends and family during this time of uncertainty and upheaval.

Amidst this difficult environment, Child Foundation closed its fiscal year. Our budget is resetting along with the budgets of many donors who now have diminished incomes. Dozens of children have been placed back on our wait list just in the last month. The difficulty is that **more than 250 children are in need and waiting** for a sponsor. Not everyone can sponsor a new child now but we hope everyone shares our mission with friends and family.

Child Foundation does not focus on handouts. Our mission is to foster self-sufficiency through education. When urgent need arises, our donors rise to the challenge so that families can regain their footing and help themselves. **Thousands of grocery gift cards and care packages filled with badly needed essentials have been provided to Iranian families of our sponsored children living on the brink.** Photos documenting the care package delivery are [here](#).

The social workers in Iran report a humbling level of need due to the coronavirus pandemic effects. We will continue to support the needs of the 11,000 sponsored children in Iran for so long as is necessary. A child who has put their education aside in desperation surely struggles to return to it later. And we insist that education is the key.

Our communities are strong, kind, and thoughtful because we each strive to be.

Thank you,
Navid Seyedali, President

Donate \$20 for an Iranian Family



**Sponsor a
child**

Iran Sponsorship Update



What does this symbol on the wait list mean?

One of the collaborations we are most excited about is that which is happening between Child Foundation USA donors and donors of our affiliate office in Iran, Child Foundation Iran. To best meet the needs of the 6,000 Iranian students, a sponsor from inside Iran and outside Iran will be matched to form a more stable cosponsorship so that the child's family receives food and a small stipend.

What does this mean for you?

Sponsorship of each Iranian child will be \$20 per month. Child Foundation USA will use those funds to purchase and send food (the first order will be placed shortly) to Iran for that child. Sponsorship minimums for children in Afghanistan, Cambodia, Indonesia, and Nepal remains \$30 per month.

What does this mean for your sponsored child?

The child's family will have better stability. Your sponsorship provides food and sponsorship from within Iran provides a small stipend. Your sponsored child's guardian will be given a special debit card to purchase the food items we've sent to a chain grocery store for them. Additional support such as a birthday gift or Nowruz present will translate into additional credit on the family's debit card allowing them to purchase more food.

Will I know who my cosponsor is?

We do not share sponsor or donor information. We hope sponsors can enjoy the confidence that a similarly generous person in Iran is their cosponsor. Both care for the child who is at the center of our mission.

What does this mean for the future?

Our goal has always been to lower the barriers to education. Stability, nutrition, and self-respect are

essential to a student's success. This new configuration of our Iran Sponsorship program is relatively more stable than our previous stipend system which relied on the US Treasury Office's permissions. Securing a new OFAC license is still one of our top priorities. You can count on Child Foundation using all legal means available to help our children now and in the future.

Protecting Pediatric Patients in Afghanistan

We provided education and hygiene items for children who receive care at the Child Foundation-funded Thalassemia Clinic in one of Mazar-e-Sharif's hospitals. They live with a blood disorder which compromises their immune system and puts them at increased risk of COVID-19 complications. Child Foundation Afghanistan volunteers sewed masks and assembled hygiene care packages so that parents had the tools to protect their children. **More photos can be found on our [Coronavirus Campaign](#) page.**



Child Foundation's Legal Means of Aid to Iran

Child Foundation is proud to stand by the people of Iran despite how difficult it is to send aid. We are actively involved in all four of the below actions in Iran:

1. Under OFAC's General License E, Child Foundation can transfer funds in the case of a natural disaster such as [the flood in Sistan and Baluchestan province](#).
2. Under OFAC's General License E, Child Foundation can transfer funds in the case of humanitarian aid such as the [coronavirus outbreak](#).
3. Child Foundation's [Iran Food Package Program](#) for our over 6,000 students is needed more than ever and legal as importing food is not a sanctioned activity.
4. Child Foundation's efforts to [secure medical supplies](#) that are hard to come by inside of Iran are also legal as importing medical supplies is not a sanctioned activity.

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