Greetings!

On behalf of 7,000 children and their families supported by Child Foundation, Happy Holidays!

This year will be the first time my family marks the ancient holiday of Shab-e Yalda. I am honored to do so alongside thousands of Child Foundation children and their families in Afghanistan, Iran, and Tajikistan. We will share good food and poetry, warmed by gratitude but also keenly aware of those making do with less as the pandemic worsens in our own communities and globally.

Child Foundation focuses on some of the most vulnerable families on the planet. We know how devastating the pandemic has been to their already impoverished communities. As part of the resistance against COVID, you make such a great difference in our ability to respond to serious needs. I ask for your support with an urgency unmatched in recent memory.

- Tens of millions of children are projected to drop out of school due to the pandemic.
- An estimated 200 million people are being pushed into poverty.
- CDC and other health indicators warn Afghanistan and Iran have high COVID infection rates.

The pandemic’s impact on vulnerable children will be lifelong. While developed countries are now enacting vaccination plans, we know that the children in our programs, and their families will tragically wait. Please consider an end of your gift to Child Foundation so these children are also not wanting for food and hope.

We want to send $100,000 worth of care packages to Iranian families who need food and resources urgently. And there are more than 200 children in our system who, without a sponsor, may need to soon put away their books and lessons if help does not come soon.

Donate Aid to Iranian Families

Donate to Unsponsored Children
With your help we will start 2021 by rising in response to the challenge of these children’s urgent needs.

With gratitude,

Gary N. Gamer
President and CEO
Child Foundation

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**Yalda Celebration**

Child Foundation is excited to celebrate Yalda with the Iranian American Community Alliance in Seattle with an online event all can enjoy.

See you at 6pm PST.

*Join us to warm the longest night of the year!*

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**Sponsor a child**

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**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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