



Greetings!

We have such good news about our families. Generosity flowed during the month of Ramadan from donors into our 1,000 Food Baskets for 1,000 Families campaign. We are able to feed more than 2,000 families in Afghanistan, Indonesia, and Iran.

On top of that, our partner in Iran distributed 2,500 [care packages](#) to families living on the brink during the month of Ramadan. You made that happen!



On the personal front, my newest grandson was born this month. I am so grateful he and mama are healthy, but once again it hits me how vulnerable children can be. Father's Day is coming up next month, and while we celebrate the paternal figures in our life and our community, children around the world who have lost a father are on my mind. Illness and violence have stolen fathers from so many children in our Afghan program. They and thousands of Iranian families are headed by courageous mothers or grandmothers.

In these countries, the absence of a father means less stability and greater vulnerability to poverty and what poverty exposes children to. Often there is a significant loss of income and ability to pay for food and everyday necessities, and all that goes into accessing and succeeding in education.

Children living with just one parent or caregiver—or without any parenting figures at all—make the work we do here at Child Foundation urgent. Why? Without a family security net, children are far more likely to be forced into the workforce or early marriage. They're less likely to stay in and succeed in school.

Funding access to education is an essential part of offering the support these children need to live up to their potential. Sponsorship really contributes to children being happy and healthy, including support from social workers

providing guidance and counselling when necessary to children and their caregivers.

We know, and our sponsors know, that [funding a child's education](#) results in changing a life—forever. In honor of Father's Day, please consider donating to our [sponsorless children's fund](#). This special fund fills the gap to support children, until we can secure a long-lasting sponsor for the child. And it well may mean the difference between falling out of school and graduating.

I wish a most memorable Father's Day to you all—a tribute to the dads who make such a difference in the lives of their families. And for the fatherless children and their moms and other caregivers, let's be sure they are not left to fend for themselves.

With Gratitude,

Gary N. Gamer
President and CEO
Child Foundation

P.S. Many companies offer their employees the opportunity to give extra to their favorite nonprofit organization. This is a good way to make your Child Foundation donations go further at no additional expense to you. Learn more [here!](#)

Donate to our sponsorless children's fund

More News

We wanted to feed 1,000 families. You helped us feed more than 2,000!

Our [1,000 Food Baskets for 1,000 Families](#) campaign was a great success. We identified hundreds of families in Iran, Afghanistan, and Indonesia in need of food aid this Ramadan season. Thanks to the generous contributions of donors and efforts of our staff and partners, we've delivered food packages to Indonesian families and more than 400 Afghan families. We are especially thankful to Comfort Aid International for donating an additional 800 food packages to especially vulnerable families. That help provided 400 food packages to families in Mazar-e Sharif, 200 to families in Bamyan, a remote village, and 200 to families in Sar-e Pol, a city heavily impacted by violence.



With the help of donors like you, we will be feeding roughly 2,300 families this year!

What is more, using sponsors' contributions to their children in Iran, our partner was able to deliver double the amount of beans and lentils to each currently sponsored child for their families' needs. So if you sponsor a child in Iran, your child received double their monthly allowance of food at the grocery store during Ramadan.

[Read more about your impact.](#)

The success of our thalassemia campaign

Thalassemia is a blood disorder that is prevalent throughout much of southeast Asia, and Child Foundation is committed to [funding treatment](#) for children with thalassemia.



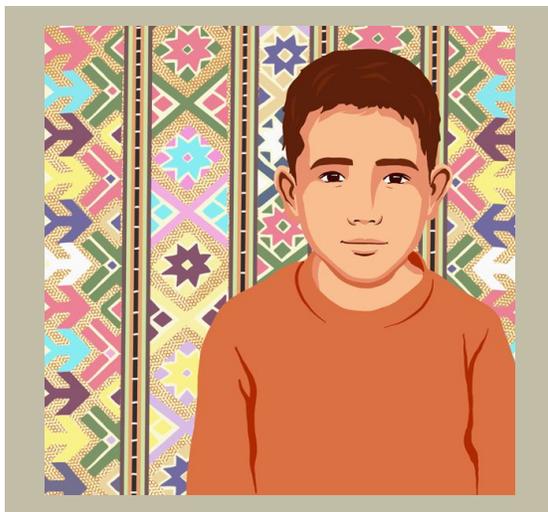
We are thrilled to report that, thanks to the generous contributions of donors to our [thalassemia fund](#), we've been able to help provide essential surgeries to several children this spring. These surgeries have not only made day-to-day life easier for these children, but also without this treatment, it would have been a much tougher uphill battle for survival.

[Read the story of the young girl whose life was saved by Child Foundation-funded surgery last month](#)

Progress reports from your sponsored children in Iran are on their way.

If you need no translation, you will receive yours in about a week. If yours needs to be translated, please have patience while our volunteers are hard at work on it.

There are even more children in need [on our website](#). Ali and Hamed are just a couple.

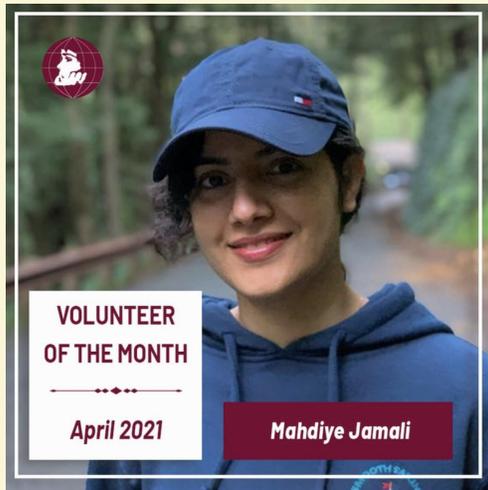


Ali is 21 years old and from Zabol, Iran. He is a student at Azad University, working on a bachelor's degree in Physical Education and is deeply passionate about his major.

Ali's father passed away after battling with mental illness. The family is being helped by a charity, but the small amount that they receive is not enough for living and studying expenses.

Hamed is 13 years old and from Mazar-e Sharif, Afghanistan. When he was six months old, his father died of heart disease. Hamed now lives with his brother, two sisters, and his married brother. Now that school is closed due to the coronavirus outbreak, he is working full-time at a restaurant. The family has no electrical appliances, such as a refrigerator, cooler, washing machine, or TV.

Sponsor a child



April volunteer of the month

Mahdiye Jamali's willingness to help with all types of projects is a great asset for our sponsorship program. We are grateful for her skills and time, and for her speed, positivity, and detail-oriented nature. Thank you for giving your time and energy to children in need, Mahdiye!



Giving through AmazonSmile got easier!

Want to help make a difference while you shop in the Amazon app, at no extra cost to you? Simply follow the instructions below to select "Child Foundation" as your charity and activate AmazonSmile in the app. They'll donate a portion of your eligible mobile

app purchases to us.

How it works:

- 1. Open the Amazon app on your phone*
- 2. Select the main menu (=) & tap on "AmazonSmile" within Programs & Features*
- 3. Select "Child Foundation" as your charity*
- 4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app*

Child Foundation's legal means of aid to Iran

Child Foundation is proud to stand by disadvantaged children in need of education in Iran and also those harmed by disasters. All of our humanitarian and emergency support in Iran, and other countries where we support children, is in compliance with best practices of charities and laws, including sanctions imposed on Iran.

