As we were working on finishing BBF’s 2021 Annual Report after successfully completing our yearly internal audit process, the effectiveness of data visualization to understand BBF’s work became all the more apparent. Along with a summary of our work, the map below highlights geographic areas where we are already making an impact. In addition, it reflects other locations where BBF can help more people in need in the areas of Healthcare, Infrastructure, Disaster Response, and Education (H.I.D.E).

2021 Program Overview

In 2021, BBF collaborated with local partners to understand and address their needs by providing essential resources and grants in the H.I.D.E framework. These included but were not limited to pharmaceuticals, medical supplies and equipment, WASH essentials, educational material, and supporting grants. COVID-19 PPE remained a pressing global need.

Projects continue to evolve as BBF supports partners across multiple H.I.D.E categories. For example, a cross-H.I.D.E. project may originate as a disaster relief effort requiring both medical and humanitarian assistance. It may then evolve into an infrastructure project to rebuild and enhance facilities with solar power and sanitation stations.

BBF’s Global Presence

We supported local partners in 24 countries throughout 2021. I hope this helps provide you with some insight into where you are helping make a direct impact on so many lives. It is our goal to expand these areas in terms of both providing additional support in the H.I.D.E. categories and support Med-Surg trips to pre-Covid levels which were over 300 per year. Thank you so much for your support!

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Healthcare Shipments
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Over ½ of the disaster response grants addressed U.S. calamities such as Hurricane Ida, Texas Winter Storms, and Midwest Tornadoes

BBF shipped 85% of the total education material, including books and school supplies, to partners in Guatemala, the Dominican Republic, and Haiti

Despite travel restrictions due to COVID, BBF equipped 18 Med Surg trips, ~ ½ of which went to Africa

BBF established a new relationship with Solar Village Project to install solar power systems in two rural clinics in India

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Fifth Grade Students Donate $2,300 to Ukraine Relief Fund

Graduating fifth graders at Dormont Elementary School high-fived one another as they walked across the cafeteria stage to receive their diplomas at the beginning of June. The next stop on their journey will be middle school, but not before making a significant impact on the relief efforts in Ukraine.

This year’s graduating class used the school’s annual Walk Your Child to School Day to host a student-run bake sale and coffee shop for a class business project. Students received coffee donations from local coffee shop Muddy Cup and baked goods from parents. As the teachers managed operations from the sidelines, students made menus, determined prices, filled orders and handed customers their change. When the fundraiser was over, the fifth-grade class had raised $800 dollars for charity. The students then took a vote to determine where the proceeds should go.

“The overwhelming choice was to donate all proceeds to the Hôpital de l’Université d’État d’Haïti — the country’s largest medical center. Examples of critical treatments include sedation for patients suffering from gunshot wounds and asthma management for vulnerable infants. Haiti’s instability stems from a widespread gang crisis and civil unrest which are exacerbated by frequent natural disasters, endemic poverty, and recurring breakouts of disease. Due to the economic crisis and escalating violence, Haiti’s medical facilities treat homicide victims and impoverished Haitians every day. These varieties of medications allow the staff to provide safe, effective, and humane care for numerous of patients, FFTP, an international relief and development organization, has been a BBF partner for more than 15 years. BBF is also generously supported on a regular basis by a number of pharmaceutical donors. Together we are making great strides for the better.”

Increasing Access to Dental Care for Pittsburgh Youth

BBF provided a grant this spring to support Casa San Jose and their program that provides dental treatment for children in need in Western Pennsylvania. The families who mainly benefit from this program are uninsured or underinsured. Treatment is routinely provided through several clinics which include the Squirrel Hill Health Center and the University of Pittsburgh Dental School.

This program originated when many parents came forward seeking treatment for their children who were experiencing severe pain due to decay and a lack of access to dental care. Many young people have benefited from these services which is otherwise unavailable. As recently as April, Casa San Jose scheduled 30 children at the Squirrel Hill Health Center. Of the 26 who attended, five had a severe condition that required a referral to the University of Pittsburgh Dental School. This ongoing program continues with the cooperation and support of the Squirrel Hill Health Center, University of Pittsburgh, and Casa San Jose.

BBF is very pleased to partner with Casa San Jose once again to support this valuable program to provide dental care in our community.

Grant Provides Clean Water for Todee Vocational Institute in Liberia

BY LIAM CARSTENS

BBF funded the purchase of a water tower for a school in Liberia through a partnership with Hearts 4 Kids, an organization that works with the Todee Vocational Institute and Soccer Academy to provide housing, education, and opportunity to the children under their care. The school serves 50 boarding students and 150 non-boarding students enrolled in the first grade through high school.

A grant from BBF covered the purchase and installation of the gravity water tower for a school in Liberia through a partnership with Hearts 4 Kids, an organization that works with the Todee Vocational Institute and Soccer Academy to provide housing, education, and opportunity to the children under their care. The school serves 50 boarding students and 150 non-boarding students enrolled in the first grade through high school.

According to Pastor Elwood Jangaba, Mission Officer for Hearts 4 Kids, “We were very blessed to benefit and use the gravity feed water tower to shower and have clean water. It was your organization BBF who sponsored the water tower for our campus in Liberia.”

BBF is pleased to be able to support this remarkable water project through our Infrastructure Program.

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City Officials Visit BBF

This spring, BBF welcomed Pittsburgh city and county officials to our warehouse on Galveston Avenue. The visit followed a collaborative effort to collect items to make hygiene kits for Ukrainian refugees and other individuals displaced by the war. City of Pittsburgh Mayor Ed Gainey, President of the Allegheny Fayette Labor Council Darrin Kelly, and County Executive Rich Fitzgerald visited to assemble the hygiene kits and finalize shipment. The drive was a great success with nearly 60 different locations participating throughout the area and 16-20 pallets worth of hygiene kits and related items having been donated.

Thank You Volunteers

BBF would like to thank all the recent volunteers who have donated their time to collecting items for and assembling hygiene kits. Volunteers include individuals from Cisco, Shell Corp, Highmark Wholecare and UPMC Pharmacy Department, and donations have been received from members of the Point Breeze community and students and staff from Sewickley Academy. If you are interested in volunteering with BBF, please visit www.brothersbrother.org/volunteer for additional information, guidelines, and volunteer applications.

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