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FFTP FOOD FOR THE POOR
United in God's Work

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dear Friend in Christ,

I give thanks and glory to God for all that He made possible in 2021, and for His continued guidance and grace. Food For The Poor (FFTP) has indeed been blessed.

As we mark our 40th anniversary, the strength of FFTP is in the love that God has poured into each one of us. **Together, we continue the legacy of sharing His love in remarkable ways with those who need us most.**

One of Jesus' two greatest commandments is to love thy neighbor and I am truly inspired by the acts of kindness and love given in support of FFTP. As you will see in the highlights in this Annual Report, we have spurred one another to live out the words found in the Gospels and have grown closer to God on this journey together.

Deadly disasters, the ongoing global pandemic and other crises disrupted lives in the Caribbean and Latin America in 2021. Yet hope remained. Because of your support and our close relationships with in-country churches and partners, combined with FFTP's longstanding distribution networks, we were able to respond with immediate and direct assistance, throughout 2021.

Because of you and so many others like you who selflessly gave to help their neighbors, FFTP also oversaw exciting growth in 2021 through forward-thinking initiatives like Palma Real, the organization's **first sustainable community development in Colombia.**

We cannot do any of this life-changing work without you. Thank you for your faith in God and in FFTP, and for all you do on behalf of families and communities who need you. We are one, united in God's work, and together we will continue to make the world a better place.

United in God's work,

Ed Raine
President/CEO

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Photo at left: Hundreds of images of families aided over the decades by FFTP make up a photographic mosaic.

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HIGHLIGHTS 2021

In 2021, you provided extraordinary support in 17 countries across the Caribbean and Latin America and in the United States. Churches, businesses, communities and YOU responded to help struggling families get back on their feet.

1. Winter Storms and Tornadoes

While Food For The Poor is an international charity, we also respond to the urgent needs of communities in distress across the United States.

In Texas, FFTP coordinated with Catholic Charities of Dallas and Highland Park United Methodist Church to deliver aid after record-breaking winter storms in February.

In Kentucky, FFTP worked with the Diocese of Owensboro to provide disaster relief items for survivors of the tornadoes that ripped through the state in December.

2. Inaugural Sustainable Community Development in Colombia

In March 2021, FFTP inaugurated its first sustainable community development village, Palma Real, in partnership with Minuto de Dios. Sixty families will receive new homes and the opportunity to live healthy, sustainable lives.

3. Sharing the Gospel

A new state-of-the-art broadcast studio at FFTP's headquarters in Coconut Creek, Fla., enables live broadcasts around the country to share Christ's love, stories of impact and the Gospel with listeners.

4. Humanitarian Crisis Response for Haiti

In Haiti, civil unrest and natural disasters contributed to an escalating humanitarian crisis. FFTP, through faithful donors, responded by distributing truckloads of food, water and other critically needed aid, relying on its long-established, trusted networks of dedicated partners and churches.

5. We Give Our Thanks to the Lord for Volunteers!

Our first volunteer Community Collection event came through with more than 16,000 pounds of donated food to feed those in need.

6. Positive Impact: Health and Well-Being in Haiti

In partnership with the U.S. Southern Command, 11 ultra-low temperature freezers specially equipped to store COVID-19 vaccines were delivered to Haiti.



Strengthened faith • Solved problems • Empowered people

TOGETHER IN CHRIST TO END POVERTY

Inspired by the Gospel and motivated by our love for one another, it is Food For The Poor's mission to end poverty in the countries we serve throughout the Caribbean and Latin America. We put Christ first in our work and are guided by the fundamental principle that all people have the right to achieve their full potential and live life in its fullness as promised by Jesus Christ.

Thanks to our faithful donors, since 1982, we have provided food, housing, health care, education, water, emergency relief, micro-enterprise solutions and much more to families living in dire poverty.



Our goal is to not only bring **RELIEF** to the suffering but to **LIFT** them up, set them on the road to **RECOVERY, EMPOWER** them to become **SELF-SUFFICIENT** and ultimately **INSPIRE** them to help others.

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds."

(Hebrews 10:24, NIV)



Photo courtesy of ANF

EMERGENCY RELIEF

For those already struggling with the hardship of poverty, the suffering was amplified in 2021 with deadly disasters and the ongoing global pandemic. Thankfully, through your loving support, FFTP was able to respond swiftly and provide food and essential aid that helped save lives and instill hope.

Photo courtesy of FUNHOPO



"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."

(Galatians 6:9, NIV)



Scan for disaster video



SOS Crisis Response

With an extensive, trusted and efficient distribution network of churches, hospitals, schools and other agencies, we were able to quickly deliver aid to those in most need. Thanks to your overwhelming and compassionate response, FFTP swiftly mobilized shipments of desperately needed food, disaster kits and other essential aid to families devastated by poverty, natural disasters and crises in the Caribbean, Latin America and the United States.



Feeding the Hungry

FFTP operates and supports programs that feed hundreds of thousands of people each day at distribution centers, children's homes, outreach programs and other sites.

In 2021, FFTP provided food for

247 MILLION meals

for hungry children and families.

The **Grandparents Program in Honduras** promotes love and respect for the elderly by providing resources to live a dignified adulthood. Resources include food, clothing, medicine, mattresses, bedsheets and personal hygiene items.



Photo courtesy of CEPUDO



Photo courtesy of Guyana Staff

Following the closing of schools in Guyana due to the pandemic, the in-school feeding programs are now supplemented with **weekly Breakfast Bundles** delivering healthy food items for a nutritious breakfast.

As a result of the pandemic and severe food insecurity, the Jamaica office launched a **food distribution initiative** in 14 parishes (districts) that serves schools, communities, churches, and programs for the elderly and people with disabilities.



Photo courtesy of Jamaica Staff

DEVELOPING POTENTIAL

Through the grace of God and loving compassion of FFTP donors, we were able to provide life-altering sustainable livelihood solutions to families who for generations struggled daily to survive. Through these programs, lives have been transformed and, for the first time, families have the promise of a brighter future for their children and generations to follow.

To achieve the highest probability of success, FFTP works in coordination with hundreds of country partners and experts in each field of development such as CEPUDO, Heifer International and MOFA Taiwan, to name a few. Throughout 2021, in collaboration with partners and experts, we were able to successfully launch several projects with training components that have impacted entire communities.



Bees for New Growth in Haiti:

Thanks to our faithful donors, 150 bee farmers in Haiti were provided with equipment, materials and training to successfully launch and maintain their own bee farming project. Through these activities, the farmers will be able to produce honey to generate an income to meet their families' needs. In addition, flowering Moringa trees were provided to the farmers to support the bees and help with reforestation of regions damaged by Hurricane Matthew.



Photo courtesy of Haiti Staff



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Seeds to Smiles, Nicaragua:

Funded by compassionate donors, the Seeds to Smiles bean production program in Nicaragua provides an income for 1,000 families, putting them on a path toward financial stability. In addition, the program aims to improve the nutrition of 40,000 food insecure individuals by providing 960,000 pounds of bio-fortified beans annually.



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"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

(Jeremiah 29:11, NIV)



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Coffee Cooperative, Honduras:

Thanks to faithful donors and in partnership with CEPUDO, FFTP launched the coffee collection and processing center cooperative in La Paz, Honduras. The program has been a huge success, increasing the income of 150 coffee producers and providing employment for 20 women who oversee the process for the manual selection of coffee beans.

Did you know that because of YOU...?



3,510 families are now safe and secure in a **new FFTP home**



3,000 children benefited from the **pediatric antibiotic** program



4,000-plus wheelchair recipients **gained mobility** and improved quality of life



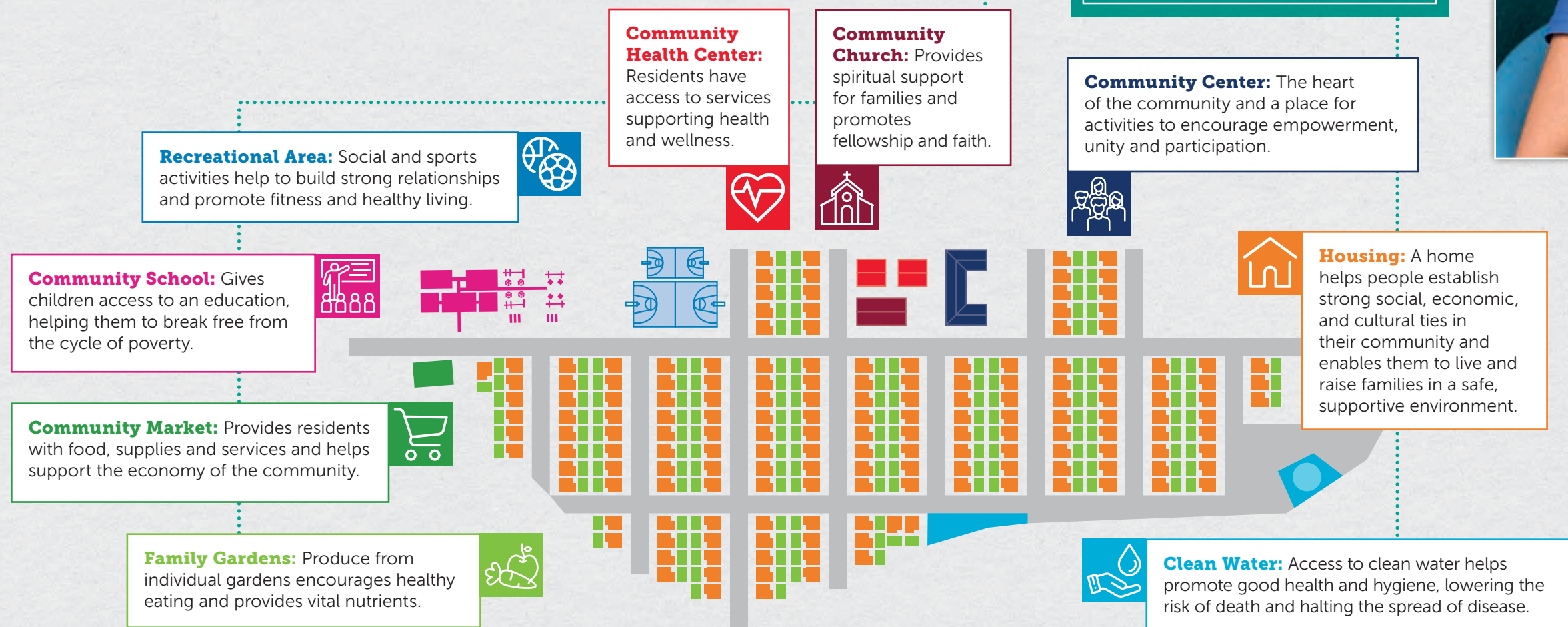
More than **6,000** students received access to an **education** and hope for a brighter future

BUILDING FUTURES

At Food For The Poor, we believe that building strong communities is the key to alleviating poverty for multiple families at a time ... for good!

Empowered by faithful and passionate donors, FFTP builds sustainable communities offering families a place to call home and experience a sense of community. Families who once felt trapped in poverty and struggled daily to survive are provided access to resources, giving them the power to break the cycle of poverty that has persisted in their families for generations.

A sustainable community addresses multiple needs of our beneficiaries. It is a place where all people feel welcome and safe, where the community supports one another, where every group has a seat at the decision-making table, and where prosperity is shared.



Julio Velasquez Sustainable Community Development

Somoto, Nicaragua

In partnership with the American Nicaraguan Foundation, FFTP is transforming the lives of 160 families with the development of the Julio Velasquez Community in Nicaragua. Families will have access to all the resources they need to live life to its fullest.



"I thank God, because ... I already got my little house. Now, I feel happy, I have peace of mind. ... Safe in my house. ... I thank Him and you who helped us."

– Maria Magdalena, mother and homeowner in the Julio Velasquez Community

FAITHFUL PARTNERSHIPS



At Food For The Poor, we believe that poverty can only be solved through the generous support of our donors, and working in collaboration with trusted partners. Together, in 2021, we were able to transform countless lives through life sustaining programs and projects, and were able to quickly deliver lifesaving food, emergency aid, medicine, medical supplies and other critical necessities to suffering children and families. We give glory to God and thanks to our faithful partners for the generous support and guidance they have provided us, helping to impact countless families living in dire poverty.

In an effort to maximize effort and provide greater, mutually beneficial and measurable outcomes toward alleviating poverty, Food For The Poor establishes a variety of partnerships including:



PARTNERSHIP HIGHLIGHT – Matthew 25: Ministries

Connected by faith and the desire to ease the suffering of the least of our brothers and sisters, we are delighted to honor one of our longstanding partners, **Matthew 25: Ministries**.

Together in Christ since 1997, Matthew 25: Ministries has provided Food For The Poor essential support to help lift up those living in poverty and provide aid to families affected by disasters. Their tremendous support with relief donations and ability to move large volumes of goods and supplies quickly and efficiently has helped impact the lives of many families in need. We give thanks to Matthew 25: Ministries for their continued partnership and for believing that Christ is alive and can be served by helping those in greatest need as Jesus asks of us in Matthew 25:34-40.

“Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of Mine, you did for Me.”

(Matthew 25:40, NIV)



2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENT*

Statement of Activities

SUPPORT AND REVENUE:

Contributions - Cash	\$	149,909,401
Contributions - Donated Goods		701,265,883
Contributions - Pledges		696,678
Other Income		5,039,753
Total Support and Revenue	\$	856,911,715

EXPENSES:

Program - Education	\$	18,780,740
Program - Health Care		541,607,192
Program - Basic Needs		172,479,294
Program - Community Support & Development		42,989,720
Program - Intra-Program Costs		33,312,970
Fundraising		42,708,777
Administration		12,756,862
Total Expenses	\$	864,635,555

Change in Net Assets \$ -7,723,840

Statement of Financial Position

ASSETS:

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$	27,063,928
Contributions Receivable		1,368,960
Property & Equipment		11,697,437
Goods-in-Transit		4,198,816
Investments and Other Assets		21,867,005
Total Assets	\$	66,196,146

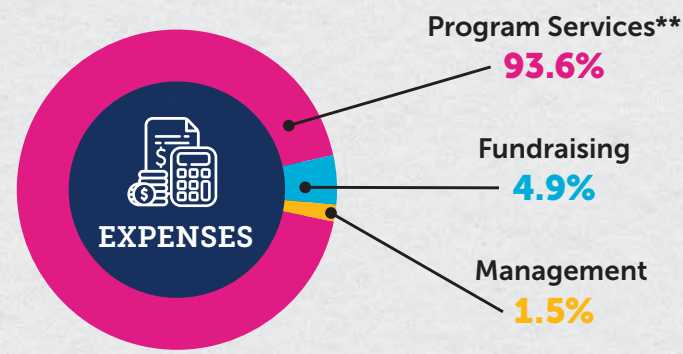
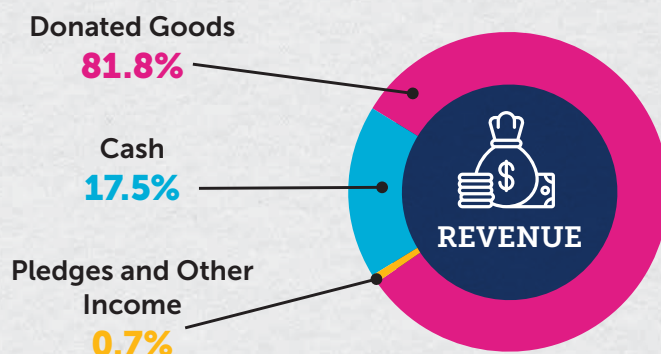
LIABILITIES:

Accounts Payable	\$	4,573,583
Accrued Liabilities		3,070,336
Total Liabilities	\$	7,643,919

NET ASSETS:

Unrestricted	\$	53,347,924
Restricted		5,204,303
Total Net Assets	\$	58,552,227

Total Liabilities & Net Assets \$ 66,196,146



*Year ended December 31, 2021. Subject to final audit.
**Includes donated goods, cash grants and cash purchases.



AID DISTRIBUTED IN 2021 { **3,402 tractor-trailers worth \$790.4 million** 

Barbados.....	\$310,346	Jamaica.....	\$34,781,512
Belize.....	\$4,949,477	Nicaragua.....	\$1,024,829
Colombia.....	\$2,496,450	Panama.....	\$2,297,815
Dominican Republic.....	\$27,504,194	Puerto Rico.....	\$691,637
El Salvador.....	\$15,892,320	St. Lucia.....	\$2,023,991
Guatemala.....	\$195,982,149	Trinidad.....	\$7,132,054
Guyana.....	\$20,993,146	USA.....	\$5,111,484
Haiti.....	\$281,457,940	Venezuela.....	\$81,886,022
Honduras.....	\$96,752,512	Other.....	\$9,112,660

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LOOKING AHEAD

Imagine a world where poverty doesn't exist, where people live in structurally sound homes and earn money to become self-sufficient. Through God's grace and the continued support of our generous donors, we embrace programs that empower people and bolster communities. We are adapting to challenges and crises as they develop with accountability and innovation. We strive to meet the following 11 of the 17 U.N. Sustainable Development Goals.

— UNITED NATIONS — SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



HOW FFTP IS ADDRESSING THE GOALS

<p>Eliminate poverty and build long-term resilience and sustainability with consistent access to basic services and resources.</p>	<p>End hunger for families struggling in poverty and provide continuous accessibility to nutritious and sufficient food.</p>	<p>Prevent and treat malnutrition and other diseases and provide access to affordable medical care and treatments.</p>	<p>Ensure that all children are provided with free, unbiased and quality education, leading to effective learning outcomes.</p>	<p>Provide access to safe drinking water and adequate sanitation to promote good hygiene for all living in vulnerable communities.</p>	<p>Light the darkness for those without access to electricity with solar lighting and clean renewable energy.</p>	<p>Empower impoverished women and men toward self-sustainability through training and productive and gainful employment.</p>	<p>Enable and promote social and economic inclusion, regardless of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic status.</p>	<p>Enable small-scale artisanal fishers access to marine resources and tools supporting food needs, local markets and community.</p>	<p>Promote the halt of deforestation through agricultural projects and the planting of fruit trees.</p>	<p>Enhance international support for implementing effective and targeted capacity-building in the Caribbean and Latin America.</p>
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It is through YOU that Jesus shows His love

You are one of God's greatest blessings for your commitment to serving those in greatest need throughout a challenging year in 2021.

With your continued support in 2022, we look forward to doing even more to transform lives and bring hope to those living in desperate poverty. Thank you and may God bless you for all you have done and continue to do!

"I always thank my God as I remember you in my prayers."

(Philemon 1:4, NIV)



THANKS TO YOU ...

... those struggling to recover from terrible disasters **found hope and renewal**.

... desperate mothers feel relief and are **able to feed their hungry** little ones.

... families experience **peace and comfort** for the first time in their new homes.

... impoverished families now living in villages experience a sense of **community and support**.

... those who walked miles for dirty water have **clean water to drink** at last.

... people once living in dire poverty can now **earn a living** and support their family.

... prayers were answered, and **faith was made stronger**.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

(Romans 15:13, NIV)



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