

# Annual Report 2020



# About AFCA

## MISSION

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The American Foundation for Children with AIDS (AFCA) is a non-profit organization providing critical comprehensive services to infected and affected HIV+ children and their caregivers. Our programs are efficient, promoting self-reliance and sustainability. Since 2005, in collaboration with our in-country partners, we have served tens of thousands of families in some of the most underserved and marginalized communities in Africa. Our areas of impact include: medical support, livelihoods, educational support and emergency relief.

Currently, AFCA is transforming lives in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Kenya, Malawi, Uganda, and Zimbabwe.

## CORE VALUES

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1. Efficient and sustainable programs that promote self-reliance, with measurable results
2. Comprehensive services for children and their families/caregivers
3. Support in regions that are underserved and marginalized

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Stephanie Watkins (President)  
Emily Gingrich (Secretary/Treasurer)  
Naomi Atkins

Tanya Weaver - Executive Director



Dear Friends,

With the one year mark of the COVID-19 pandemic in the rear view mirror and the world slowly emerges from lockdowns and restrictions, AFCA has been busy. As busy as a bee. We have sent four containers of medical supplies to Zimbabwe, Kenya, and Congo, set up a piggery along with a food process mill for the pigs in Miwani, Kenya, a goat house and two greenhouses in Zimbabwe, and a training center for young women in hair dressing and tailoring in Congo.

While all of this important work is changing the lives of families, women and children I want to take this opportunity to highlight the special work of our executive director Tanya and her daughter Julia.

To honor their late mother/grandmother, father/grandfather, Mercy and Enrique Abadia, the pair are raising funds for an AFCA project in Mombasa, Kenya. The Mercy Maternity Ward in the slum of Mikindani will serve approximately 250 expectant mothers monthly as a prenatal clinic, will conduct at least 150 deliveries per month, and will provide pediatric care.

Tanya and Julia have set a goal of \$150,000 that will include the building of the maternity ward and furnish the clinic with equipment and supplies, providing the only clean, safe place for mothers to give birth and babies to receive care in the area.

They have called the project Bee Mercy.

BEE - Building, Equipping and Extending.

Bee – like bees in a beehive, we each have an important role to play in the lives of each other, near or far.

Mercy – compassion towards the hurting and needy.

Mercy – in memory of Mercy and Enrique Abadia to honor their dedication to care for the orphaned and the needy throughout their lives.

What a wonderful way to remember two incredible people who impacted the lives of so many.

You all know that the goal of AFCA is to one day be made redundant. Today is not that day but, with your help, AFCA's work continues to be impactful. Bee Mercy is just one example that will change the trajectory of the lives of mothers and children from the very start.

As always, thank you for your continued support of our small but mighty organization.

With hope,

Stephanie  
Board President



## Financial Summary

### OPERATING SUPPORT AND REVENUE

Contributions	\$386,668
Grants	\$33,660
Gifts in Kind	\$1,071,008
Interest income	\$265
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	\$0
Total Revenue	\$1,491,601

### EXPENSES

Program	
Commodity Distribution	\$1,253,189
Support Services	
Fundraising	\$116,735
Management and General	\$40,956
Total Expenses	\$1,410,880

### NON OPERATING REVENUE

Non-Operating Programs	
Paycheck Protection Program Loan Forgiveness	\$14,582
Net Assets Released from Restrictions	\$0
Total Non-Operating Revenue	\$14,582
Change in Net Assets	\$95,303

Net Assets, Beginning of Year	\$332,821
Net Assets, End of Year	\$428,124



# Programs

## MEDICAL SUPPORT

AFCA partners with pre-approved local clinics and hospitals. The trained medical directors request medicine from AFCA and we fill their requests by supplying their pharmacies with requested medications.

AFCA has a medical surplus program, where we collect opened but unused and new but unneeded medical supplies and equipment from hospitals and distributors, diverting them from landfills and shipping them for use in the countries where we work.

## LIVELIHOODS

This program makes resources available to orphaned families in order to support their efforts to sustain themselves. The strength of this project lies in that it is rooted in communities in which it is implemented. Since the needs were identified at the lowest community level and solutions also originate from the beneficiary communities, the sense of ownership that is gained through this process motivates beneficiaries to succeed and sustain benefits.

This program includes: livestock, gardens, veterinary and husbandry trainings, veterinary supplies, water filters, solar lights, and short term-food solutions until gardens and livestock grow and produce.

## EDUCATION

AFCA believes in the strength of educating a child. We cover the costs of school fees, uniforms and books for some children in our programs from preschool to trade school or university. School supplies – erasers, pens, pencils, notebooks, file folders, scissors, and glue – are sent to students, as well as teaching supplies for teachers.

AFCA keeps girls in school by providing them with reusable sanitary pad kits. Not only do we donate these kits, but we also conduct trainings and teach older girls and women how to make the kits so they can start small businesses.

## BUILDING PARTNER CAPACITY

Knowing that sustainable programs are the best programs to support, AFCA funds and helps manage projects such as:

- Sisal project where HIV+ mothers earn a good living while working a 3-day week
- Community gardens
- Multiplication centers where animals are bred and raised
- Greenhouses to provide training and food in orphanages
- Tailoring shops where people learn to sew and start small businesses
- Chicken projects where eggs provide food for children and a salary for caregivers

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## SUSTAINABLE FOOD SOLUTIONS

Livestock, bees, seeds for family gardens, fertilizers, water filters, solar lights, training, and long term support are all part of what AFCA does to help families produce the food they need to be healthy.

## MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

Medical supplies and equipment is sent to partner clinics where our children are cared for. From maternity to orthopedics to eye and dental care, we are invested in the overall health of the kids.

## INSTITUTIONAL ECONOMIC IMPROVEMENT

Hen houses, greenhouses, animal multiplication centers, bees and honey, community gardens, and a sisal project are all part of AFCA's efforts to make orphanages and communities self sufficient.



## EDUCATION

School fees, school supplies, desks, chairs, uniforms, books, computers, educational toys, feminine pad kits, and teacher supplies are some of the ways we support schools so our kiddos get the best education possible.

## AFCA CURRENTLY WORKS IN FIVE AFRICAN COUNTRIES:

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO, KENYA, MALAWI, UGANDA, AND ZIMBABWE

## EMERGENCY RELIEF

AFCA staff set up handwashing stations in Kenya and Congo while responding to a locust infestation and flooding that threatened our gardens and sisal projects in East Africa. We delivered food to thousands of families affected by borders closing due to Covid and donated seeds to thousands more.

AFCA HAS 1.5 STAFF IN USA AND 9 IN AFRICA . 29,120 DIRECT BENEFICIARIES. COUNTLESS INDIRECT BENEFICIARIES.

94% OF ALL DONATIONS GO DIRECTLY TO OUR PROGRAMS

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# Opportunities for YOU

## DONATE

You can donate by check made out to AFCA or online at [AFCAids.org](http://AFCAids.org). Want to discuss estate planning? Call us at 717.489.0206.

94% of all donations go directly to Africa.

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## VOLUNTEER

Whether you donate your time and talent in USA or join a volunteer team to Africa, your help is indispensable.

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## ADVENTURE

Visit [AFCAids.org](http://AFCAids.org) to find out how you can join a Climb Up team.

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