

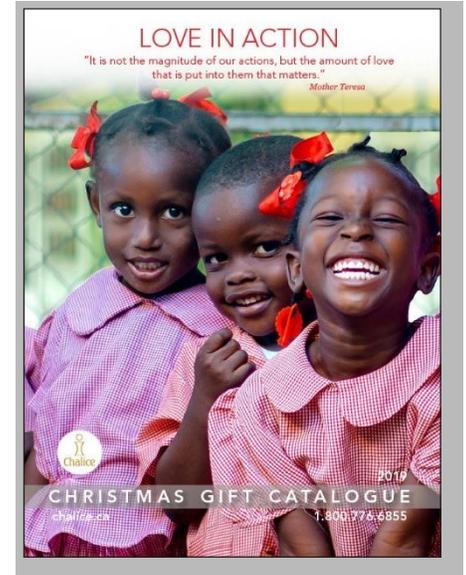


Christmas Gift Catalogue Impact Report 2019

Thank you for your 2019 Christmas donation.

We are overjoyed to share with you some of the stories received from our sponsor sites about the children and families impacted by your support of our 2019 Gift Catalogue.

Putting your love in action resulted in over **\$1.9 million** in much needed items used to improve lives in the communities where we work.



The gift of vital transportation

Ternopil, Ukraine:

Vitaliy lives with his family in a small village 10 km away from the nearest central town. With limited public transportation and only a small convenience store in their village, the family had difficulty accessing food and other essentials.

The gift of a bicycle has blessed this family of six and given them a lifeline to access much needed supplies easily and efficiently. Vitaliy's mother, grandmother and both of his sisters have health conditions that require medication. Now, Vitaliy can quickly get to town on his bicycle and pick up everything they need. He now also bikes to school instead of his usual long, muddy walk along unpaved and bumpy roadways.



“A bike might not seem like a very important thing to have, but it is going to solve a lot of problems for our family,” says Halyna, Vitaliy's mother. “That is why I bow to you with gratitude on behalf of all my family. May God bless you and your kind heart. Thank you so much for your gift. Our family's prayers are with you.”



Housing repairs bring security to families in Samar



Samar, Philippines:

One of the long-cherished dreams of families at our Samar sponsor site in the Philippines is to build a life where the social, cultural, and economic capabilities of each family member are nurtured and developed. One way to achieve this is through a safe a secure home but to most low-income earners, including sponsored families at our site, this lifetime dream is often so difficult to achieve due to inadequate space and insufficient finances.

“I would like to express our gladness and gratefulness because of your generous heart,” writes Elva, mother of a sponsored child in her thank you letter. “I’m thanking God for creating noble minded people like you and I will always thank God for the privilege that my son is part of the Chalice sponsorship program.

Before sponsorship we couldn’t afford to buy regular and nutritious food let alone a solid house. Every time there was news of an upcoming typhoon my heart was trembling with fear that our house might be damaged and I asked for God’s mercy in my daily prayers until we received word we were chosen to repair our house. With tears falling from my eyes I say a sincere thank you for everything you have given us.”

Feed a family, or 1000

Haiti North

Several years of political conflict and drought have pushed many Haitians to the brink of famine. The communities which we serve are struggling to cope due to food shortages, but thanks to donations to Feed a Family through our gift catalogue, 1470 families received essential donations of food to last them through these difficult times.

Each family was so happy and grateful to our supporters for thinking of them, and said without this assistance, they would not have known what to do to feed their children.

In their thank you letter, members of a Chalice family circle write, “We have 29 children and 21 parents in our group, and together we are moving forward successfully. We know we can depend on you in times of great need, you never forget us. Thank you for your great help which is always appreciated. May God bless you always!”





Goats generate income for needy families

Asembo, Kenya:

The terrain surrounding our Asembo sponsor site in Kenya is ideal for nourishing local goats which are mainly browsers. To give families a source of extra income, 121 goats were distributed to families through our gift catalogue. Families received essential training in goat rearing including proper handling of goat kids and general animal health practices like timely vaccination, deworming, and the need for supplements to boost health.

Goats are considered wonderful assets in African communities and can be sold for income when needed. Goats multiply quickly and are much easier to feed and raise than cows. In this past year, 96% of the goats given to these families have survived, and guardians have been mentored through the process as they master the art of goat rearing.

Mercy, a happy recipient of a goat, has increased her stock from one to 13 goats over the past year due to multiple sets of triplets! She has constantly relied on the goat's offspring for urgent financial needs like paying school fees for her children. She recently topped the proceeds from her most recent sale of goats to purchase a cow which is considered a bigger asset and can supply her family with milk, butter, and cheese.

**We deeply thank you for putting your love in action
through our 2019 Christmas gift catalogue.**

