BREAKING CYCLES OF POVERTY, ABUSE, AND SUFFERING
Dear Friends of the Foundation,

What a wonderful year 2022 has been for the ASEA Advancing Life Foundation. We continued to make an impact in areas of extreme poverty, helping marginalized communities—both in the US and across the globe—that don’t have access to necessities like water, food, and education. This year, we made tremendous strides by supporting projects that provide clean water, food assistance, school building, disaster relief, and aid to refugees.

Despite this not being a year of prosperity for many people, we were fortunate to receive donations from more donors than ever before, which speaks volumes for the ASEA family and our culture of doing good. We are extremely grateful to all of our donors, who have come together to be an incredible force for good in places where our world is experiencing heartache and difficult times. Your generosity has been a blessing to families and individuals whom you will never meet, and the impact will be generational as health improves and education provides opportunities. I have had the privilege to meet some of the recipients, and they always express their extreme gratitude followed by wishes of health upon you and your families!

Thank you again for your support and we hope that you will continue to stand with us as we work towards a brighter future for all. May you be blessed in the coming year for your unselfish generosity to the ASEA Advancing Life Foundation.

KimMarie Larsen

ASEA ADVANCING LIFE CHAIR
SAFE HOUSE PROJECT

Through our partnership with the Safe House Project, we have funded the training of 50 rural free medical clinics across California, Texas, Georgia, and Ohio. These are listed as being in the top ten states with the highest prevalence for human trafficking. Traffickers will utilize free rural clinics for medical help because they don’t want to spend money on their victims. This training equips clinic staff with the knowledge and tools they need to identify victims of human trafficking and provide them with the care and support they need.

By providing training to staff, they are helping identify victims and provide clinics as a resource for medical attention. This critical step can help break the cycle of abuse and exploitation that many victims experience.

In addition to funding staff training, we also provided funding to build aftercare shelters in these areas, which will serve as a safe haven for survivors. Patients will receive the care and support they need to heal and rebuild their lives.

SPEAK UP FOR THE POOR

With the help of the Advancing Life Foundation, even more young women who otherwise would have been vulnerable to child marriage and other forms of abuse will continue their education through college graduation, and will have a better life as educated professionals.

Since formalizing a partnership in March 2022, the college dormitory has grown from 40 young women to 64 young women in August 2022, then to 90 young women in late December 2022. Speak Up for the Poor continues to operate at full capacity, with 90 young women in the dormitory at present. All of these young women have participated in the Girls Education Program (GEP) through middle school and high school graduation, and are now enrolled in various colleges and nursing schools in Khulna, Bangladesh.

Each of the new apartment flats rented with ASEA funds has 10 beds in three bedrooms, with four beds in each of the two larger bedrooms and two beds in the smaller bedroom. Each apartment also has a fully equipped kitchen with a new refrigerator. The beds, bedding, furniture, curtains, kitchen items, and bathroom fittings are all new and paid for with ASEA funds.
CLEAN WATER

ENGAGE NOW AFRICA

In Ghana, we partnered with Engage Now Africa to provide basic needs like water to keep kids in school. In February, we donated funds to install six wells in the area, working alongside locals to construct deep-well boreholes that provide reliable water in the rural areas of Northern Ghana. Thanks to this partnership, hundreds more people in these areas now have access to clean and safe drinking water.

In Sierra Leone, we partnered with local organizations to drill five boreholes and install new water filtration systems in various communities, including a school and a new medical clinic. These projects have provided access to clean water to thousands of people, helping to improve their quality of life and reduce the risk of waterborne illness.

VISION CAMBODIA

The foundation donated funds for 46 wells last year, bringing the total of Cambodian wells funded to over 250 in the past two years. These wells were donated by individuals, families, and ASEA teams. Each well provides clean water for up to 100 people, depending on location.

WHOLIVES

We helped implement a unique approach to providing communities in Malawi with clean water by offering micro-loans to help them pay for the construction of wells. The micro-loans have been provided to several communities, including Salma Village, enabling them to install wells that provide clean water to their residents. This approach helps address the water crisis in the region and promotes self-sufficiency and economic empowerment by enabling communities to take ownership of their water supply.
**COOPERATIVE EDUCATION**

We partnered with Cooperative Education to improve access to education in Guatemala through the implementation of a new Spark Reading Program and the installation of a student computer lab. The Spark Reading Program teaches educators effective ways to teach literacy. In general, teachers in Guatemala are not taught how to be teachers, but are only required to graduate from high school. This program, however, provides so much more and empowers teachers with interactive learning experiences.

Most schools in rural Guatemala do not have computer labs, which means that student career opportunities are limited. Being able to gain critical computer skills starting in junior high will open possibilities for these students to gain employment in higher paying jobs.

**ENGAGE NOW AFRICA**

We partnered with Engage Now Africa this year to help build a primary school in the Kassena Nankana District of Northern Ghana. The new school will provide access to education for 500 children in grades one through six. The program will help improve their prospects and break the cycle of poverty in the region. The construction of this school is a significant milestone in the ongoing efforts to improve access to education in Northern Ghana. Thanks to the dedication and hard work of the team involved in this project, the children and the community were able to start the new school year in 2023 with a safe and supportive environment to learn and grow and are now empowered to achieve their full potential.

**INTA KARA VOCATIONAL SCHOOL**

In 2022, we made a significant impact on the lives of students in underprivileged communities in Ecuador by providing them with vocational training through education programs. As part of this effort, 292 certificates were awarded to graduates who completed training in various fields, including industrial safety and occupational health, basic electrician certification, culinary arts, basic mechanics, welding, tailoring, and hairdressing. These certificates represent an important milestone for the graduates, providing them with the skills they need to pursue their careers and improve their quality of life. Our commitment to education is further evidenced by the fact that their school can accommodate over 500 students a year, providing more opportunities for students to access vocational training and achieve their goals.

The impact of this program is clear, and the graduation ceremony serves as a testament to the hard work and dedication of the students and the staff who make this program possible.

**MOTHERS WITHOUT BORDERS**

Through our partnership with Mothers Without Borders, we provided a military vehicle to help the organization with the transportation of supplies, food, bikes, students, and other resources, enabling them to keep their operations running safely. The vehicle will be a critical asset for the program, helping reach more people in need and provide essential services to vulnerable children in Zambia.
In 2022, through our partnership with the Salvation Army, we've been able to provide critical aid to Ukrainian refugees who need assistance. The Salvation Army has a strong presence in Ukraine, and its deep connections to local communities have made them a valuable partner in our efforts to support refugees. The relief sent provided essential resources to help refugees meet their basic needs, including food, shelter, and medical care. The impact of this initiative will be felt by countless families and individuals who are struggling to rebuild their lives in the face of adversity.

We also helped provide relief and support to communities affected by natural disasters around the world, and our recent efforts in Queensland, Australia, as well as Kentucky and Florida in the US, have made a significant impact on the lives of those affected.

We funded critical disaster relief funding to assist in the clean-up efforts following devastating floods and storms in these areas. The funding has been used to provide essential resources to help with the clean-up, including equipment, supplies, and manpower.

CHOICE HUMANITARIAN

We funded the construction of four hoop houses in the Navajo Nation, providing a reliable source of fresh produce for families in the region. This initiative has been particularly important given the challenges faced by the Navajo Nation during the COVID-19 pandemic, which made it more difficult for families to access fresh and healthy food. To support the construction of the hoop houses, a small group of people went down to Arizona to help in the building of two of the structures. This hands-on approach reflects Advancing Life’s commitment to working closely with communities to identify their needs and provide support where it is needed most. Thanks to this initiative, families in the Navajo Nation now have access to fresh produce year-round, promoting health and well-being and improving their quality of life.

US HUNGER PROJECT

Advancing Life is committed to fighting hunger and food insecurity in communities in the United States, and the world. Our recent efforts with nonprofits such as the US Hunger Project, the Pantry in Hawaii, and Feeding America have had a significant impact on the lives of thousands of people. Through these partnerships, Advancing Life has donated meal kits and food to over 45,000 people, providing essential nutrition to those in need.

The Pantry in Hawaii has focused on feeding the elderly and helped ensure that vulnerable members of the community have access to nutritious meals.

Additionally, Advancing Life has collaborated with Feeding America to provide disaster relief food in the aftermath of the flooding in Kentucky, providing critical support to those affected by the disaster. Thanks to their efforts, families and individuals have access to the food they need to stay healthy and thrive, even in the face of adversity.

THE SALVATION ARMY

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At the Advancing Life™ Foundation, we set out to better people’s lives by being a force for good in the world. Through various initiatives hosted by our corporate sponsor ASEA, employees are given the chance to donate their time and labor to raise awareness, and funds, and provide supplies for important local service projects. In 2022, ASEA corporate employees helped with the following projects:

Making 80 blankets that were donated to the Utah Refugee Fund, a nonprofit dedicated to providing support and resources to refugees who have resettled in Utah. The organization works to empower refugees to achieve self-sufficiency and independence by providing access to education, job training, healthcare, and other critical services. Additionally, the Utah Refugee Fund works to promote community awareness and understanding of refugee issues, helping build a more inclusive and welcoming community for refugees in Utah.

Donating time at the Lifting Hands Foundation by working together to box up critical supplies that were sent to Ukraine and providing essential resources to survivors of the war in Ukraine.

European associates raised enough money to fund the construction of a well in Kandiga Nindongo, providing a reliable source of clean water to the community, improving their health and well-being while also promoting them with resources to further advance their future.

Donating 80 blankets that were donated to the Utah Refugee Fund.

CLEAN WATER
Bring clean water to new countries and benefit more families.

EDUCATION
Expand our educational reach in Ghana and Zambia.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION
Partner with nonprofit organizations (NGOs) that support the fight against human trafficking and provide resources to prevent the trafficking of children.

DISASTER RELIEF AND FOOD INSECURITY
Aid those who have experienced natural disaster hardships or are struggling with food insecurity by working with partners who are helping families in need.
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# Statement of Financial Position

Unaudited financials as of 31 December 2022

## Liabilities
- Accounts payable: $0.00
- **Total liabilities**: $0.00

## Equity
- General operations: $491,445.14
- Fund balance
- Projects fund balance: $456,384.27
- **Total unrestricted**: $947,829.41
- Net assets
- **Total equity**: $947,829.41

## Contributions Received
- Total contributions: $760,925

## Sales Revenue
- Sales and auction revenue: $346.55

## Expenses
- Total cost of goods sold: $488.12
- **Total expense**: $526,945.12

## Other Expenses
- General operational expenses: $10,419.16
- **Net income**: $233,491.76