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FOUNDATION

# BREAKING CYCLES OF POVERTY, ABUSE, AND SUFFERING

2023 IMPACT REPORT





## DEAR DONORS,

As I look back at the year of 2023, I am incredibly grateful for the generosity exhibited by each of you. You have allowed us to have an incredible impact across the world this year as we have collaborated on various initiatives. We have focused on the basic initiatives that help communities improve upon their current conditions and provide sustainable solutions to their problems. Our partnerships are with non-profits that are working with community leaders and villagers to solve the problems in a way that truly creates sustainable change.

There are varying levels of poverty and there is a certain pattern that helps to lift people from one level to another; until eventually they break free. Giving clean water is a necessity to move people from the lowest level of poverty. The gift of clean water allows children to go to school, parents to work and reduces medical bills that are impossible to pay. Providing access to good education opens up new opportunities for careers and jobs. Access to food allows children to have a better attention span in school to learn more. All these items are within our initiative set as a foundation and because of you we are breaking cycles of poverty.

We appreciate your support, as we continue to better people's lives and be a force for good in the world.

Sincerely,

KimMarie Larsen  
ASEA ADVANCING LIFE CHAIR



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# INFINITE GRATITUDE TO OUR PARTNERS



# CLEAN WATER INITIATIVE



Water sustains life. In 2023, clean water was one of our key initiatives, to bring clean water to additional countries and support more families.



## Vision Cambodia

Since 2016, Vision Cambodia has dedicated itself to easing the hardships and enhancing the well-being of rural Cambodians. Their initiatives include installing clean water wells in rural communities, boosting literacy through the establishment of new school facilities, and supporting micro-business development. Nearly 73% of Cambodians still do not have access to clean water. With your help, we are helping to change this.

In partnership with Vision Cambodia, we constructed 38 wells in 2023, bringing our donation total up to 295 total wells. Each one of these wells provides clean water for up to 100 people, meaning 29,500 men, women, and children now have access to clean water. The health benefits are immeasurable as drinking unsafe water is responsible for millions of deaths per year.

**29,500**

MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN NOW HAVE ACCESS TO CLEAN WATER

## WHO lives

In 2022, the ASEA Advancing Life Foundation facilitated the acquisition of a village drill dispatched to Malawi, Africa. This drill has, so far, dug six boreholes, granting clean water access to over 6,000 villagers. Additionally, our support extends to a community well program, utilizing a microloan system to assist villages in covering the costs of their wells.

We have placed these wells in crucial locations to benefit communities in dire need. In total, 10 well/boreholes have now been installed. These wells are located in:

- UGANDA:** Bala, Gombe, Kakindu
- MALAWI:** Chiwoko, Masula, Ngombe, Salima
- KENYA:** Mwachawa

During the last few months of 2023, the foundation financed a second village drill destined for Northern Africa. This drill is a donation to a foundation that will be installing boreholes in various villages across the country. The advantage of the village drill lies in its ability to disassemble into smaller pieces, enabling transportation to areas inaccessible to conventional drill rigs.

This drill has the ability to drill up to 270 feet through soil, clay, and rock. The microloan system assists villages in covering the costs of materials for the borehole and water pump, though it also gives these communities a sense of ownership and pride that otherwise may have been absent.



# EDUCATION INITIATIVE



Education was another key initiative for 2023, to expand our educational reach to Ghana and Zambia. Education is a fundamental human right, providing a chance to escape the shackles of poverty.



## Engage Now Africa

In January, the primary school in Northern Ghana funded by the foundation held a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the grand opening. Children in grades 1-6 now have a beautiful, state-of-the-art school to begin their educational journey.

We also agreed to further collaborate and finish the educational offerings in this community by building a kindergarten

and junior high school. The Atiyorum Kindergarten in Kassena Nankana West District, located in the upper east region of Ghana, was completed in September of 2023 and the junior high school was completed in January of 2024. These new schools are a beacon of hope for a brighter future.



LEARN MORE



IN ZAMBIA

53%

OF THE POPULATION  
ARE CHILDREN

58%

OF THE POPULATION  
LIVE BELOW THE  
POVERTY LINE

63%

LACK LITERACY  
SKILLS

3

MANY EAT  
ONLY 3 MEALS  
PER WEEK

## Mothers Without Borders

Mothers Without Borders provides education that far surpasses local public education. Imagine a full day of learning in English, a language that opens doors, accompanied by a nourishing lunch. Zambia is a country where one in 15 children are orphaned, due to extreme poverty and the HIV/ AIDS epidemic. 53% of the population are children. 58% of the population live below the poverty line. 63% lack literacy skills. Many eat only three meals per week.

Picture the Carol Zulu school, not just a place of education but a home for up to 80 children. ASEA's donation isn't just about building facilities; it's about creating a sanctuary. From a security fence ensuring safety to a therapy room bringing healing, every upgrade is a step toward a brighter future. It's about sewing rooms empowering mothers to support their families and landscaped surroundings fostering a sense of culture and belonging. Together, we're weaving a tapestry of hope and care for these vulnerable families.



*“ Thank you for the good will of supporting the education of many children in Guatemala. My students in second grade section B thank you from the bottom of their hearts. You can’t imagine how many emotions and smiles have awoken in the [children] by the books. ”*

Dalia Carolina Perez Tax  
(2nd grade teacher)

## Cooperative for Education

In 2022 we funded the training of La Cruz School in the Spark Reading program. The teachers began learning teaching methods for improving literacy and a library of books was provided to the school. 332 students are now receiving a better education and are discovering a passion for reading.

The Filadelfia Computer Center is located in the Chimaltenango region. 81 middle school students are being taught computer programming and other skills. 60% of entry-level jobs in Guatemala require computer skills but in many rural communities there is no computer instruction. The students receive 60 minutes of instruction per week in this lab.

Together, we have funded: an additional computer lab, the Dr. Silvano Antonio Recinos School in Jalapa, Guatemala, which will hold 420 students; 2 Spark Reading Programs, San Mateo Milpas Altas Primary School and EORM Jose Ignacio Ortiz Vide Aldea el Hato Primary School, bringing the total to four; two primary schools located in the mountains outside of Antigua; comprehensive training and materials for 29 teachers; and over 600 students next year will be part of the literacy program.



## CHOICE Humanitarian – Ecuador

Since construction began in 2017, we have 602 graduates from the Inta Kara Vocational Center. These individuals have moved onto a new life full of possibilities.

WE HAVE  
**602**  
GRADUATES  
FROM THE INTA  
KARA VOCATIONAL  
CENTER

Students have gained foundational knowledge in Industrial Safety, Occupational Health, Basic Electrician Certification, Culinary Arts, Basic Mechanics, Welding, Tailoring, and Hairdressing. These

skills empower them to better grasp their career paths, make informed family decisions, and enhance their overall quality of life.

We have since funded the Enterprise Development program for graduates to address the critical needs and problems including food insecurity, lack of employment, and income generation opportunities. We remained committed to two key objectives: to increase the agricultural and livestock production of small farmers in the Intag Region, and, to provide viable and sustainable income-generation opportunities for families living in the Intag Region so that out-migration is significantly reduced.

# GUATEMALA EXPEDITION



A poignant testament to the transformative power of education unfolded as dedicated ASEA Advancing Life Foundation volunteers recently traveled to the Spark Reading program in Aldea Vista Hermosa, where they interacted with children, families, and teachers.

Volunteers painted the exterior of the Aldea Panimacoc school, painted and positioned bookcases, and visited the homes of children to better understand the challenges families face while trying to prioritize education. This firsthand experience provided volunteers with invaluable perspective.

Before the end of the expedition, volunteers were able to take part in the inauguration of the computer center at Colegio Evangelico Filadelfia that the foundation sponsored and also attend the training of the teachers for the Spark reading program.

## Attendees

Espen Aarøy & Sissel Andersen  
Carmen Batz  
Kent & Brigham Bean  
Janne Harild  
Anne & Hugh Jenings  
KimMarie Larsen  
Sandra & Noah Lemon  
Misty, Zoe & Xander Lindsey  
Tyler, Allison, Noah & Joe Norton  
Maria Paspuel  
Colleen Peterson  
Claudia Rossano  
Susan, Trace & Lottie Stanger  
Paul Taira  
Beth & Gabe Wofford



# HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION



Hoku K9

In our unwavering commitment to combat human trafficking, as one of our 2023 key initiatives, we've achieved significant milestones.



**6+1**

SIX ESD-TRAINED K-9S AND ONE VICTIM RELIEF DOG

Trinity, a specially trained ESD K-9, now stands ready in Oregon, while Hoku, a victim relief dog, offers solace with the Orem City Police Department. This brings our total to six ESD-trained K-9s and one victim relief dog, amplifying our impact.



Trinity K9

# DISASTER RELIEF AND FOOD INSECURITY



In the realm of disaster relief and combating food insecurity, our fourth key initiative for 2023, our reach extends globally. From aiding the aftermath of the Turkey and Syria earthquake to responding to Hurricane Otis in Acapulco, Mexico, and supporting humanitarian crises in the Middle East, we stand united in providing aid.

Moreover, our collaboration with Hope for Haiti has been a beacon of hope. We've embarked on a mission to address the cholera outbreak, conducting awareness and education programs in two partner communities. Through this initiative, we equip children and adults with the

**200**

WATER FILTRATION SYSTEMS

knowledge to adopt protective behaviors against cholera, distribute hygiene kits, and install 200 water

filtration systems. We trained and educated community members on the usage and maintenance of these systems.

Additionally, Hope for Haiti is launching a community survey to understand the source of contamination and enhance hygiene practices. Together, these efforts reflect our heartfelt dedication to making a tangible difference in the lives of those affected.







## FOOD INSECURITY



The foundation made a donation to the Community Action Services and Food Bank in Provo, Utah. The food bank was experiencing a staggering 78% lift in demand and was experiencing a shortage of food donations to meet the needs of these individuals. This donation would allow them to secure enough food to provide an additional 50,000 meals.

When the devastating fire broke out in Maui, it displaced hundreds of families. The foundation partnered with the local Maui Food Bank to fund and disperse food

**20,000+**

MEALS WERE  
DISPERSER TO  
THOSE IN NEED

to those who found themselves without the necessities of life, overnight. Over 20,000 meals were dispersed to those in need.

In partnership with WHOlives, a donation was made to help fund community vitalization programs in Africa. With continual access to water well, villagers can turn to livestock and gardening as an economic resource." The foundation has agreed to fund the development of two villages in Africa and these will begin in the first part of 2024.

## HAIMAD DAYS

HAVE AN IMPACT MAKE A DIFFERENCE

In Quarter 1, ASEA employees rallied together for a food donation drive, generously contributing over 1,500 pounds of food to Tabitha's Way. This heartfelt effort translates to at least 1,250 meals for members of our local community facing food insecurity. A dedicated team of 14 volunteers spent 32 hours sorting through the donated food to further support the cause.

Moving into Quarter 2, ASEA employees took a creative and compassionate approach. They crafted six sleeping mats from recycled shopping bags for the homeless and also dedicated their time to cut out Love Bears. These bears, over 100 in number, found their way to children in rural countries, bringing joy to those who often lack access to toys.

Quarter 3 witnessed the generosity of ASEA employees and associates reaching Fort Worth, Texas, as they donated money, supplies, and time to assist the homeless population.

OVER  
**1,500**  
POUNDS OF FOOD  
WAS DONATED TO  
TABITHA'S WAY

Through the collaborative efforts, 500 hygiene kits were donated and assembled, and nine sleeping mats were woven from recycled

grocery bags. Notes of kindness were created to accompany these items, all contributing to the mission of Cloud Covered Streets, a local foundation working to support the homeless with showers and essential items.

In the spirit of giving, Quarter 4 saw ASEA employees collecting clothing, blankets, hats, and gloves for donation to the Road Home in Salt Lake City. This organization provides aid to struggling families in our local community. As a thoughtful touch during the Christmas season, nearly 150 presents were donated to support fellow employees facing challenges during this time of year.



# TOP DONORS



## \$300,000+

ASEA, LLC

## \$40,000+

Beach Road Foundation  
Trish & Bob Schwenkler

## \$10,000+

Anonymous  
Craig Lindner  
Deni & Tom Robinson  
Donnelly & Chris Dominguez  
Sue Brenchley

## \$1,000+

Anonymous  
Adolfo Avalos  
Alan & Tanya Noble  
Beth Watson  
Beth Wofford  
Branton & Jennifer Loewen  
Buffy Donahoo  
Captial Group American Funds  
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Jarom Webb  
Jenene Craig  
Julia Ku  
Karen McCann  
Katrina Gregory  
KimMarie Larsen  
Leland & Donna Duyck  
Lilliana Walker  
Lorelei 'Sunshine' & Warwick Gray  
Lynn Matthews  
Marcia & Jerry White  
Marilyn Way  
Masami & Dr. Bruce Handloff  
Misty Lindsey  
Paul Taira  
Rebecca King  
Sandra Lemon  
Sarah Bailey & Michael Jones  
Scott & Gloria Aldred

Sissel Andersen & Espen Aarøy  
Steven Hines  
Susan Stanger  
Terry & Erin Latham  
Will & Amy Knowland

## \$500+

Alan & Margaret Bishop  
Alyssa Robinson Favreau  
ASEA Australia Associates  
Beverly Wilson Hoffman  
Carmel Scaring  
Carol Carder  
Carolyn Cassio  
Claudia Rossano  
David He & Karen Lau  
Donald Toomim  
Dorothy Dabney  
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Janos Pirics  
Jerry & Diane Stapleton  
John Bash  
John Tyler  
Julie Cook  
Kay Lance  
Kim Meng Huynh

Kurt Stickley  
Lee Ostler  
Linda Curro  
LoriAnn & Ray Garner  
Lynn Therrien  
Maria Paspuel  
Mary Margaret Donoho  
Mary Mondragon  
Marylene Tuck  
Mayra Ortiz  
Michell Casteel  
Nils Norberg  
Patsy Kunkel  
Paul Jacques  
Peg Coats  
Risa Lynch  
Rose Mary Skinner  
Roslyn Bowers  
Russell Mariani  
Sepp Höck  
Sharon Parziale  
Shelley Tiratto  
Sheri & Jack Clarke  
Shirley Burke  
Steve Craig  
Teddie Barnhart  
Tina Giesbrecht  
Várnai Zoltán & Győrfi Anett  
Varon & Mandy Larsen

# DONOR ALLIANCE PROGRAM

With your help, the Advancing Life Foundation can make a difference in this world. Consider becoming a Donor Alliance member for exclusive rewards and benefits.

ANNUAL DONATION LEVEL	SUPPORTER \$20/month	ADVOCATE \$50/month	PARTNER \$100/month
Handmade artisan gift and annual Donor Alliance shirt	◆	◆	◆
Annual Advancing Life Impact Report and quarterly updates by email	◆	◆	◆
Advancing Life recognition pin, event ribbon, and name recognition on the foundation's website and convention signage	◆	◆	◆
Name recognition in the lobby of ASEA Global Headquarters		◆	◆
Networking social event during ASEA Global Convention			◆
Discounted rate for next year's Advancing Life expeditions		\$100	\$200

Handmade artisan gift and annual shirt will be mailed to all Donor Alliance Members who have donated for six consecutive months.



# 2023 FINANCIALS

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Unaudited financials as of 31 December 2023

### LIABILITIES

Accounts payable \$0.00

### EQUITY

General operations \$362,634.00

Fund balance

Total unrestricted \$362,643.00

Net assets

**Total equity \$725,286.64**

### CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED

Total contributions \$713,500.00

### EXPENSES

General operational expenses \$10,721.41

### CONTRIBUTIONS, GIFTS, AND GRANTS PAID

Disaster relief \$36,598.25

Human trafficking and  
refugee relief \$24,500.00

Clean water projects \$167,250.00

Education projects \$548,435.00

General \$15,106.65

Expeditions\* \$123,700.00

**Total contributions,  
gifts, and grants paid \$915,589.90**

\*all expedition costs are covered by the  
expeditioners and the ASEA donations

**TOTAL EXPENSE \$926,312.23**





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