

PATHWAYS TO HOPE



**OUR MISSION GIVES HOPE AND OPPORTUNITY TO
MILLIONS OF YOUTH AROUND THE GLOBE.**

Dear Friend & Partner in Mission,

It is with great pleasure that I share with you our Annual Report, which highlights some of the projects we helped fund in 2019. Thanks to you, Salesian missionaries in more than 132 countries around the globe continue to bring life-changing education, workforce development, social programs and critical humanitarian aid to the most disadvantaged communities in the world.

This work began in 1859 by a young priest named John (Don) Bosco, along with 18 other young men who were once poor street children cared for by John Bosco themselves. Their calling was to bring hope to thousands of poor youth and instill in them confidence and the skills needed for a better life. During his life, St. John Bosco served thousands of youth and his legacy today reaches millions—thanks to partners like you.

In 2019, donor funding helped provide a backup electrical system for the Salesian Diocesan Center of Arts and Trades in Haiti, launched a new project to provide career counseling and job placement services to poor students in India, and brought safe water and better hygiene to schools and programs in countries including DR Congo*, Nigeria, Malawi and Tanzania through our “Clean Water Initiative.”

Last year, Salesian Missions also helped ensure the safe delivery and distribution of more than \$6 million in in-kind aid, providing impoverished youth with nutrition, medical aid, furniture, clothing and other supplies to meet their most basic needs.

I know that, together, we can continue to fight the devastating effects poverty has on millions of marginalized youth around the globe. May God bless you for caring.



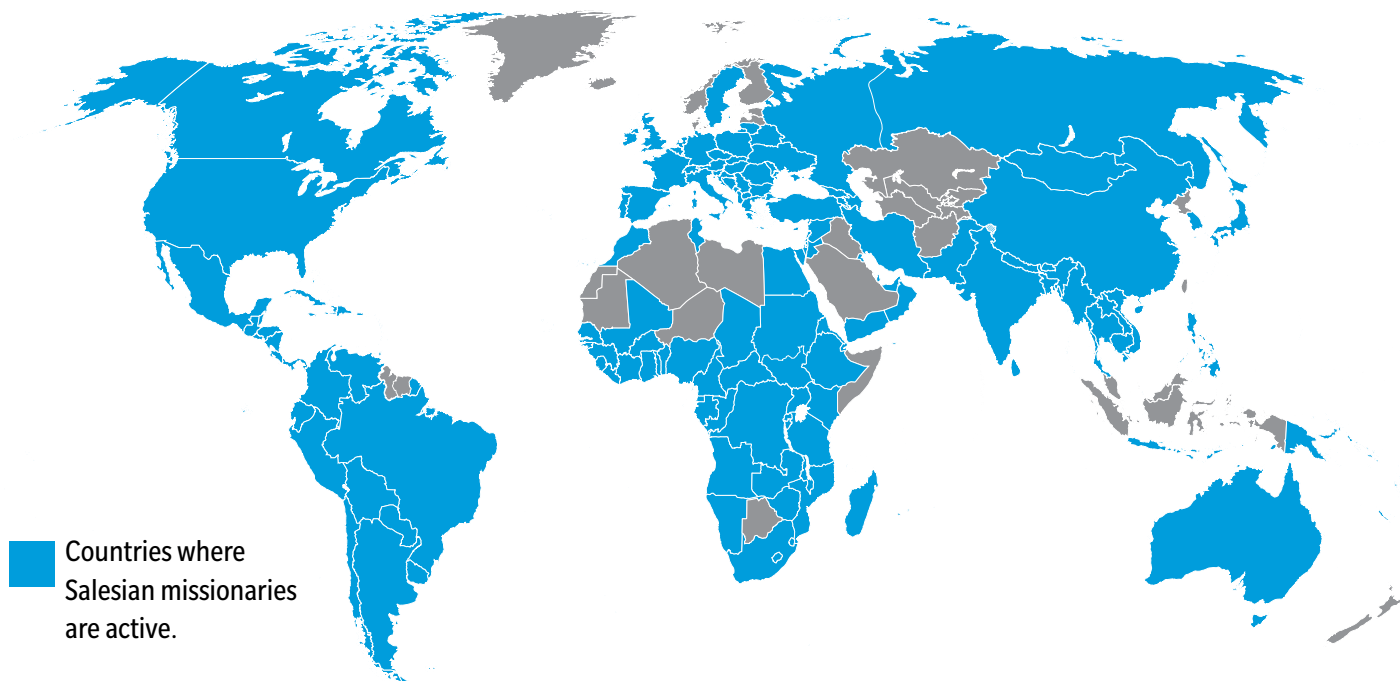
FATHER GUS BAEK VISITS CHILDREN WHO HAVE BENEFITED FROM A DONOR-FUNDED CLEAN WATER INITIATIVE PROJECT IN TANZANIA.



Gratefully yours,

Fa. Gus Baek

Father Gus Baek, S.D.B.
Director



Countries where
Salesian missionaries
are active.

GLOBAL MISSIONARY WORK AT A GLANCE

Salesian Missions is headquartered in New Rochelle, New York, and is part of the Don Bosco Network—a worldwide federation of Salesian NGOs. The mission of the U.S.-based nonprofit organization is to provide support and raise funds to assist needy youth and families through programs carried out by Salesian missionaries. Millions of youth facing adversity have received services specifically funded by Salesian Missions and its donors. Funds are also raised to assist with humanitarian emergencies caused by natural disasters, wars and violence. This Annual Report provides information on some of the projects which received support from Salesian Missions in 2019.



More than **80** colleges worldwide

Nearly **1,000** vocational, pre-professional and training programs

More than **40** professional degree programs

Nearly **90** adult educational centers

More than **150** clinics, hospitals and dispensaries

More than **330** orphanages and shelters for homeless youth

More than **5,500** schools and youth centers serving more than **1 million** children

More than **40** agricultural education programs

There are nearly 30,000 missionaries (priests, brothers and sisters) worldwide—many are located in the poorest places on the planet.

Salesians work and live within the communities they serve. As a result, they:

- Know the local needs better than outside groups.
- Understand the local political and social climate.
- Are able to build strategic partnerships with governments and NGOs (nongovernmental organizations).
- Can quickly respond to emergencies and provide urgent humanitarian assistance efficiently.

Salesian Missionaries Work in 130+ Countries Around the Globe

AFRICA

Angola
Benin
Burkina Faso
Burundi*
Cameroon
Canary Islands
Cape Verde
Central African Republic*
Chad
Congo, Democratic Republic of the*
Congo, Republic of the*
Egypt
Equatorial Guinea
Eritrea
Ethiopia
Gabon
Gambia
Ghana

Guinea
Ivory Coast
Kenya
Lesotho
Liberia
Madagascar
Malawi
Mali*
Mauritius
Morocco
Mozambique
Namibia
Nigeria
Rwanda
Senegal
Sierra Leone
South Africa
South Sudan*
Sudan*
Swaziland
Tanzania
Togo

TUNISIA

Uganda
Zambia
Zimbabwe*

ASIA

Bangladesh
Cambodia
China
India
Indonesia
Japan
Korea*
Laos
Macao
Mongolia
Myanmar
Nepal
Pakistan
Philippines
Sri Lanka
Thailand
Vietnam

MIDDLE EAST

Azerbaijan
Iran*
Israel
Kuwait
Lebanon*
Palestine*
Syria*
Turkey
Yemen*

OCEANIA

Australia
East Timor
Fiji
New Zealand
Papua New Guinea
Samoa
Solomon Islands

NORTH AMERICA

Canada
Mexico
United States

CENTRAL AMERICA

Costa Rica
El Salvador
Guatemala
Honduras
Nicaragua
Panama

SOUTH AMERICA

Argentina
Bolivia
Brazil
Chile
Colombia
Ecuador
Paraguay
Peru
Uruguay
Venezuela*

EUROPE

Albania*
Andorra
Austria
Belarus*
Belgium
Bosnia-Herzegovina*
Bulgaria*
Croatia*
Czech Republic
England
France
Georgia
Germany
Hungary
Ireland
Italy
Kosovo*
Lithuania
Malta
Moldova
Montenegro*
Netherlands

Poland
Portugal
Romania*
Russia
San Marino
Scotland
Serbia*
Slovakia
Slovenia*
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
Ukraine*
Vatican

CARIBBEAN

Cuba*
Curaçao
Dominican Republic
Haiti
Puerto Rico

* Any goods, services, or funds provided by Salesian Missions to programs located in this country were administered in compliance with applicable laws and regulations, including sanctions administered by the U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Asset Control.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Education provides a chance for a better life. Salesian missionaries establish vital primary and vocational schools in some of the most impoverished and remote places on earth. By focusing on the poorest places and most vulnerable children and young adults, this effort makes a lasting impact.

Globally, the Salesians provide education and support through more than **5,500 schools and youth centers** serving more than **1 million students**.

YOUTH CENTERS

Functioning side by side with Salesian schools, youth centers offer a safe place for engaging young people in constructive activities during leisure time—such as sports, art and music. Youth learn teamwork and social skills, which provide opportunities for growth and maturity.

HOMELESS YOUTH

One of the biggest struggles in underdeveloped countries around the globe is the large number of children living on the streets. Salesian programs help to counsel, stabilize and educate homeless youth so that they have more options and opportunities. More than **330 shelters and homes** meet an array of basic needs by providing safe shelter, food and clothing.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

The Salesians of Don Bosco are considered the largest private provider of vocational and technical training in the world. Programs focus on helping vulnerable youth by providing access to educational opportunities that match the local employment needs. Around the globe, there are nearly **1,000 Salesian vocational, technical, professional and agricultural schools**—with a focus on serving poor and needy youth.

HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE

With its global reach, Salesian Missions is perfectly positioned to aid in emergency relief during times of natural disasters, traumatic circumstances and civil strife. In 2019, special fundraising efforts provided humanitarian assistance for those internally displaced in South Sudan*, built wells in drought-prone Ethiopia, helped those affected by flooding in India and more.

FOOD SECURITY

Sadly, there are more than 821 million people who are undernourished around the globe. About half of them are young people. Salesian Missions food aid programs feed students—reducing child malnutrition while increasing school attendance. Programs also work to improve household food availability through increased agricultural productivity.

In 2019, Salesian Missions helped ensure the safe delivery and distribution of more than **\$6 million worth of food assistance**, medicine, and other supplies and equipment donated by partner organizations. These included Feed My Starving Children, Rise Against Hunger, Good360, ASAP—Tools for Empowerment, World Vision, IRN—The Reuse Network, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP and The College of Westchester.

DISTRIBUTION OF AID

From donated school buses to rice-meals, Salesian Missions is entrusted to deliver life-changing aid safely—even in very hard-to-reach places. Missionaries living and working in local communities identify the most pressing needs, as well as coordinate the careful distribution of meal shipments and additional supplies when available. As a recipient of the USAID Ocean Freight Reimbursement Grant program, Salesian Missions transports this aid at low or no cost.

CLEAN WATER INITIATIVE

When basic needs aren't met, such as a safe water source, it negatively impacts entire communities. When children must spend hours searching for water, they cannot attend school. This is why Salesian Missions has made water projects a top priority in the places where schools and youth centers are located. This includes providing new or improved water systems and sanitation facilities—with a focus on creating solutions specific to the local needs.

REFUGEES & INTERNALLY DISPLACED

By the end of 2019, a record 70.8 million people had been forcibly displaced worldwide. Among them are nearly 25.9 million refugees, over half of whom are under the age of 18. In response, Salesian Missions provides humanitarian assistance—as well as educational programs—for refugee and internally displaced populations. Programs are customized to local needs and operate in both camps and urban settings. In 2019, Salesian Missions partnered with the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (PRM) for a program in Egypt. Past funded programs included Kenya, India (Sri Lanka refugees) and Pakistan.

HEALTH & MEDICAL SERVICES

Worldwide, Salesian missionaries care for the sick and provide preventative care through more than **150 clinics, hospitals and dispensaries** (many located in rural areas). Both physical and psychological health services can be found in many communities alongside other Salesian programs.

GENDER EQUALITY

The growth and development of young girls and women is essential for families and communities. They are the backbone of the family structure. By providing women with education and support, families are made stronger. Social outreach programs, childcare support and skills training make it possible for women to have better jobs—and be better able to keep their families intact.

ONGOING PROGRAMS

INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

In addition to building hospitals, schools and youth centers, Salesians develop infrastructure projects that support both the Salesian programs and the local communities. This ranges from building warehouses and distribution channels to bringing clean water, electricity and internet services to schools and communities.

CAPACITY BUILDING

Salesian Missions provides capacity-building programs designed to develop and enhance the proficiency of organizations within the worldwide Don Bosco Network, as well as local partner NGOs (nongovernmental organizations).

MORAL & SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT

Based on the beliefs of our founder, St. John Bosco, Salesian missionaries work with the concept that the only way to truly battle poverty is with reason, religion and kindness. Programs strive to instill good moral values that lay a foundation for a better life.

In 2019, the **Memorial Chapel Program** built **38 chapels** around the globe.

Thanks to the program's generous donors, places of worship were made possible in communities that otherwise would not have a spiritual place to gather and celebrate Mass.

FORMATION & SEMINARIAN SUPPORT

As the Salesian presence and work around the world increase, so grows the need for Salesian priests, brothers and educators. Our Seminarian and Formation Program ensures that young men called to the Salesian life can train to serve the needs of the young and needy so that St. John Bosco's work will live on.

SPECIAL DONOR-FUNDED PROJECTS

BANGLADESH

Salesian missionaries have a new electrical transformer and generator in Telunjia.

CAMEROON

Salesian missionaries working in the capital city of Yaoundé received funds to purchase a 4x4 Toyota Hilux truck to provide Salesian staff better transportation and accessibility in the region.

INDIA

At **St. Anthony's Technical Institute** located in Kadapa, donations partially funded a project to provide sheet metal and mosquito netting to construct 120 beds for poor youth. The goal is to provide the raw sheet metal, which the students in the welding shop will use to manufacture bed frames to replace the mats they currently use to sleep on the floor.

The **Medical Care for the Street and Vulnerable Children** in New Delhi was able to improve the medical care of children and families in the slums. A donation provided medications for a medical van that visits several poor areas within the city.

Don Bosco Vazhikaatti Educational and Charitable Society, which operates in 50 schools in five districts of Tamil Nadu, launched a new project to provide career counseling and job placement services to poor students.

In 2019, our **CLEAN WATER INITIATIVE** brought safe water and better hygiene to schools and programs in countries including **DR Congo***, **Nigeria**, **Malawi**, **Tanzania** and **India**. For more complete information on this, the projects mentioned in this summary report, and the other projects funded in 2019, you are invited to access our full report at **SalesianMissions.org/AnnualReport**

To see a list of current projects in need of funding, please visit

SalesianMissions.org/Projects

At **Bosco Gramin Vikas Kendra** in Maharashtra, a project was funded to provide youth with English language lessons. As a result, students have better self-confidence and greater motivation for learning.

Funds were provided to **Amalarakkini School for the Blind**, in Tiruvannamalai, Tamil Nadu, for the construction of a new chapel for resident students. The school prepares more than 100 students with visual impairments each year to be self-reliant through education and training.

The **Don Bosco Academy of Music and Fine Arts** received funding through a donor's estate to help acquire a secondhand grand piano for students.

ERITREA

At the **Don Bosco Technical School** in Dekemhare, funding was provided to buy a cow and food to feed it—giving a source of income to sustain classes.

GHANA

Bicycles were provided to students and staff who previously had to walk great distances. Chairs were provided for office and meeting spaces.

HAITI

The Salesian Diocesan Center of Arts and Trades in Les Cayes has a new backup electricity system for the operation of the school due to Haiti's unreliable electricity supply and frequent blackouts.

St. Paul Chapel in Cité Soleil received funds to build a retaining wall between a canal and chapel grounds to prevent flooding and mudslides. The chapel is located within an extremely impoverished and densely populated commune in Port-au-Prince. More than 200 people who live in the nearby neighborhoods have benefited.

LESOTHO

At **St. Luke's Parish primary school** in Maputsoe, a town in Leribe, a young girl is able attend school thanks to a donor. Her family was too poor to send all three of the children, so the girl used to wave to the other two children as they left for school.



MADAGASCAR

In the Fianarantsoa region, 10 training center graduates were able to launch a small business enterprise in the construction business. The project will train the graduates as well as develop a business plan.



farm, which has helped more than 2,000 young graduates embark on their own farming cooperatives.

The **Mama Margaret Boarding House** in Bacolod City, Negros Occidental, received funding to expand so that it can support more poor youth and their families. Salesian missionaries can generate an income from the property, which will be invested into local programming.

RWANDA

Students attending the **Don Bosco Muhazi Technical-Vocational School** now have access to better nutrition. Funding enables them to purchase

and store food on a monthly basis so missionaries can prepare healthy and balanced meals for the students.

SIERRA LEONE

More than 120 youth attending the **Don Bosco Youth Center Dwarzak Project**, located in Freetown, were able to participate in workshops, sports and other activities. In addition, the youth center has provided ongoing nutritional assistance to 50 youth and educational and spiritual assistance to 80 children.

ZAMBIA

Salesian missionaries working in the Makululu Settlement in Kabwe, purchased close to 25 acres of land and developed a farm thanks to donor funding. There, they operate the **Don Bosco Children Home**, a nursery school, a youth center that accommodates up to 60 youth, and now agriculture training so youth can earn a living.

NEPAL

The **Don Bosco Center**, located in Thecho, held a one-day camp for 70 youth as part of its "Future Helpers" program. The work is part of long-term efforts in response to the devastating earthquakes that struck in April 2015.

NIGERIA

The **Don Bosco Solar Energy Training Center** in Onitsha received funding for materials, labor and staff. The new center will teach local youth the skills required to install and maintain solar energy systems, in addition to creating job opportunities.

PHILIPPINES

The **Don Bosco Agro-Mechanical Technology Center** in Legazpi City (known locally as "Don Bosco Legazpi") has new equipment needed for a new soybean production program on its demonstration

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

This is a summary of our Annual Report. A complete Annual Report is available on our website.

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Distribution of Funds		\$	%
Mission Programs		33,871,708	81%
Fundraising		5,049,168	12%
Management & General		2,916,657	7%
Total Distribution of Funds		\$41,837,533	100%
Statement of Activities			
SUPPORT & REVENUE			
Public Support		46,649,402	
Federal Funding		1,023,394	
Investment Income		7,866,604	
Total Support & Revenue		\$55,539,400	
EXPENDITURES			
PROGRAM SERVICES			
Mission Support		17,104,269	
Religious Ministries		15,753,639	
Government Programs		1,013,800	
Total Program Services		\$33,871,708	
SUPPORT SERVICES			
Management & General		2,916,657	
Fundraising		5,049,168	
Total Support Services		\$7,965,825	
Total Expenditures		\$41,837,533	
SUPPORT & REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES		\$13,701,867 *	
Net Assets			
Without Donor Restrictions		29,206,806	
With Donor Restrictions		67,733,989	
Total Net Assets		\$96,940,795	



* Excess revenue of \$13,701,867 reported for 2019 includes unrealized gains from investments, donor designated funds for investment as well as support for the work of Salesian Missions to be used in 2020.

LEADERSHIP

Father Mark Hyde, S.D.B., *Director*
(January–August, 2019)

Father Gus Baek, S.D.B., *Director*
(September–December, 2019)

Rev. Timothy Zak, S.D.B., *Board Chair*

Rev. Dennis Donovan, S.D.B., *Treasurer*

Rev. James McKenna, S.D.B., *Trustee*

Salesian Missions is independently audited by BDO USA, LLP. For the audited financial statements and report from its independent certified public accountants, or for additional information, please send an email to info@salesianmissions.org.

These individuals also serve on the Board of Trustees. They do not receive any salary or pay.

SOURCES OF SUPPORT

PRIVATE SUPPORT

Generous donations from individual Americans account for most of the aid dispensed by Salesian Missions. These funds are received primarily through direct mail solicitations, and also through online donations. Groups and organizations (both secular and religious) such as schools, community groups, foundations, private agencies and companies (through donation-matching programs) account for the remaining portion of private funding.

SUPPORT FROM HOST COUNTRIES

In line with the Salesian policy of fostering independence from outside help, Salesian Missions has fostered an attitude of “helping people help themselves.” Therefore, we support capacity building and technical assistance efforts that empower local Salesian NGOs (implementing partners) to seek and obtain local funds from individuals, businesses and governments in host countries to support programs within those countries. These funds are not reflected in the distribution chart provided in this Annual Report.

SUPPORT FROM OUR PARTNERS

Salesian Missions expresses its gratitude to the following organizations for partnering with us in our vital life-saving and life-changing mission around the globe: **Feed My Starving Children, Rise Against Hunger, Good360, ASAP—Tools for Empowerment, IRN—The Reuse Network, and World Vision.** Salesian Missions also received support from the **Aid to the Church in Need, DD Lynch Family Foundation, Loyola Foundation, Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, Koch Foundation, FSC Foundation, Dr. J. Alex Lira (IRA and Foundation), The College of Westchester, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, and the Sieh Charity and Family Care Trust Foundation.**

In 2019, Salesian Missions implemented projects funded by the U.S. government through the **Agency for International Development (USAID)** and its **American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA)** program, as well as its **Food For Peace** and **International Relief Partnership and Ocean Freight Reimbursement** programs. Salesian Missions also implemented funded projects from the U.S. Department of State through the **Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (PRM), the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), and the Department of State Public Affairs Section (PAS).**

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