



**SALESIAN
MISSIONS**

2020
ANNUAL REPORT

BUILDING BRIGHTER FUTURES



**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 2020. Thanks to you, Salesian missionaries in more than 130 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 2020, donor funding helped mitigate the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic by providing hand-washing stations and masks in Burundi and Togo and food rations in Uganda and India. Donors helped to provide education for girls in a sewing and tailoring program in Nigeria and brought safe water and better hygiene to schools and programs in countries including Egypt, Mozambique, the Philippines and Tanzania through our “Clean Water Initiative.”

Last year, Salesian Missions also helped ensure the safe delivery and distribution of more than \$2.4 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.



FR. GUS VISITS BOSCO BOYS IN NAIROBI, KENYA (MARCH 2020)



Gratefully yours,

Fa. Gus Baek

Father Gus Baek, S.D.B., Director



*Helping to Make
the World a
Better Place*



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 2020.



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
Timor-Leste
Vietnam

MIDDLE EAST

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

OCEANIA

Australia
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, secondary and vocational schools in some of the most impoverished and remote places on earth. By focusing on the poorest places and the most vulnerable children and young adults, this effort makes a lasting impact.

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 developing 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 2020, fundraising efforts provided

humanitarian assistance to refugees in Uganda and nutritional support in India and South Africa, among other projects.

FOOD SECURITY

Sadly, there are more than 811 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 2020, Salesian Missions helped ensure the safe delivery and distribution of more than \$2.4 million worth of food assistance, other supplies and equipment donated by partner organizations. These included **Feed My Starving Children, Rise Against Hunger, World Vision, IRN — The Reuse Network, Furniture Reuse Solutions, One World Play Project** and **Seed Programs International**.

DISTRIBUTION OF AID

From donated vegetable seed packets 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.

REFUGEES & INTERNALLY DISPLACED PEOPLE

By the middle of 2020, 80 million people had been forcibly displaced. Among them are nearly 26.3 million refugees, over half of whom are under the age of 18. In response, Salesian Missions provides humanitarian assistance—as well as educational

ONGOING PROGRAMS

programs—for refugee and internally displaced populations. Programs are customized to local needs and operate in both camps and urban settings.

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.

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. A chapel building program also provides safe and

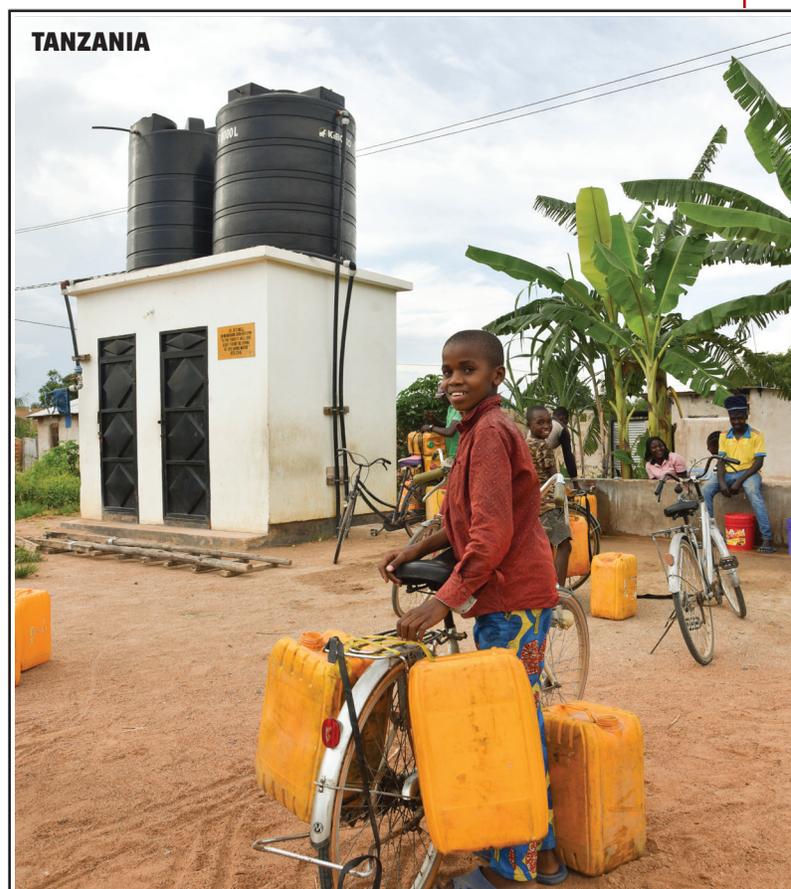
decent spiritual centers in the most remote places, for Mass, prayer and community gatherings.

FORMATION & SEMINARIAN SUPPORT

As the Salesian presence and work around the world increase, so grows the need for Salesian priests, brothers and educators. The 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.

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. Work includes providing new or improved water systems and sanitation facilities—with a focus on creating solutions specific to the local needs.



SPECIAL DONOR-FUNDED PROJECTS

BURKINA FASO

The Don Bosco Center in Bobo-Dioulasso has a new solar-powered pumping system that provides clean drinking water to a boarding home and for youth who attend the technical school.

BURUNDI*

The Salesian Parish in Rukago has access to hand-washing stations, which benefited 65,000 people in the parish and local community. Hand-washing stations were provided in eight churches, 15 schools and the Don Bosco Oratory.

EGYPT

Don Bosco Technical Institute in Cairo has new bathrooms and access to clean, fresh water for the more than 4,000 people who regularly attend classes and other activities.

GUATEMALA

After Hurricane Eta destroyed their homes and livelihood, Maya Q'eqchi' Indigenous families received support through shelter, food and clothing.

INDIA

The Don Bosco Child Protection Center in Lagos provided ongoing support for vulnerable boys who were living on the streets and had faced abuse and exploitation.

Sixty families, including about 360 youth, in six villages in the Rambrai area of Meghalaya received solar lighting so youth could do their homework and study for exams in the evenings.

Don Bosco College in Golaghat, Assam, completed a water project to provide clean, fresh water for students and staff. The college provides a vital education and housing for 150 boys and 135 girls.

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

SalesianMissions.org/Projects

LEBANON*

Salesian missionaries provided food, shelter and support to Lebanese and refugee families affected by the Aug. 4, 2020 explosion that killed more than 200 people.

MADAGASCAR

Youth attending the Salesian-run Notre Dame de Clairvaux in Ivato were provided nutritional support for two months. More than 1,000 meals were provided each weekday. Additional meals were provided over the weekend.

MALAWI

Don Bosco High School in Nkhotakota has been able to provide clean, fresh water for its students and staff. The funding was utilized to dig a borehole, install a

water pump and solar panels, and construct a water tank.

St. Don Bosco Parish in Lilongwe bought maize to help families in the out-stations of the parish. In total, around 380 families received the maize. At the Don Bosco Church,

about 280 families from 28 small communities benefited along with other poor families in the region.

MOZAMBIQUE

The Salesian community in the Luís Cabral neighborhood of Maputo completed several clean water activities including identifying a suitable water source, drilling and opening a borewell, and testing water pressure.



NAMIBIA

The Don Bosco Youth Center in Rundu was able to continue a feeding program for needy, vulnerable children. The second half of the feeding project coincided with the COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown.

NIGERIA

Five communities have new clean water sources. Now women and children are no longer forced to travel long distances to access water for their daily needs or rely on rain and river water, which can sometimes be contaminated.

PHILIPPINES

Don Bosco Agro-Mechanical Technology Center (known locally as Don Bosco Legazpi) received funding to purchase 1,000 chickens to produce eggs for food and for sale as part of the entrepreneurial training program.

St. John Bosco Parish in Negros Occidental has clean water access for the Salesian Youth Center, kindergarten, parish office and rectory—positively impacting 15,000 people.

SOUTH SUDAN*

St. Vincent de Paul Parish was able to provide food rations for 275 families at Don Bosco Gumbo camp for internally displaced persons in Juba.

SRI LANKA

At Don Bosco Murunkan, 60 boys were able to continue to receive their education in a safe and supportive environment while being fed nutritious meals to address the undernourishment many have suffered.

TANZANIA

Don Bosco Didia Secondary School constructed bathrooms, including toilets and sinks, to provide the 1,218 boys and girls attending the school with proper sanitation.

TIMOR-LESTE

Don Bosco Foundation provided food support for three months for 1,174 people impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The help was targeted to widows, the elderly, those living in poverty, those with disabilities and orphans in three Salesian parishes.

TOGO

Maria Auxiliadora Parish in Gbényedzi in Lomé provided more than 500 people with face masks, hand-washing stations and thermo-flash devices for taking temperatures.

Salesians were also able to purchase, warehouse and distribute food for those in need.

UGANDA

Salesian missionaries in Palabek Refugee Resettlement Camp provided food aid to 800 refugees facing food scarcity due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This condensed version of the Annual Report presents a sampling of projects funded in 2020. For the full report, please go to:

SalesianMissions.org/AnnualReport



In 2020, the **Memorial Chapel Program** built **28 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.

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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	30,530,496	79%
Fundraising	4,961,514	13%
Management & General	3,066,832	8%
Total Distribution of Funds	\$38,558,842	100%
Statement of Activities		
SUPPORT & REVENUE		
Public Support	40,256,225	
Federal and Private Grants	1,654,946	
Investment Income	5,397,129	
Total Support & Revenue	\$47,308,300	
EXPENDITURES		
PROGRAM SERVICES		
Mission Support	13,329,411	
Religious Ministries	15,427,576	
Government Programs	1,773,509	
Total Program Services	\$30,530,496	
SUPPORT SERVICES		
Management & General	3,066,832	
Fundraising	4,961,514	
Total Support Services	\$8,028,346	
Total Expenditures	\$38,558,842	
SUPPORT & REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	\$8,749,458 *	
Net Assets		
Without Donor Restrictions	30,326,713	
With Donor Restrictions	75,363,540	
Total Net Assets	\$105,690,253	



NOTE: 2020 Missions Programs Distribution of Resources is down primarily due to a disruption in the distribution of donated In-kind goods due to COVID restrictions.

*Excess revenue of \$8,749,458 reported for 2020 includes unrealized gains from investments, donor designated funds for investment as well as support for the work of Salesian Missions to be used in 2021.

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.

LEADERSHIP

Father Gus Baek, S.D.B., Director

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

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

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

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 encouraging 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 nonprofit organizations for partnering with us in our vital life-saving and life-changing mission around the globe: **Feed My Starving Children, Rise Against Hunger, Salesian Society Province of St. Phillip the Apostle, Seed Programs International and World Vision**. Salesian Missions managed projects funded by the **DD Lynch Family Foundation, Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, Loyola Foundation and Koch Foundation**. Support was also provided by **IRN – The Reuse Network, Furniture Reuse Solutions and One World Play Project**.

In 2020, Salesian Missions also managed projects funded by the U.S. government through the **U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)** and its **American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA)** program and **Ocean Freight Reimbursement** program. Additionally, Salesian Missions managed projects funded by the U.S. Department of State through the **Bureau of Population, Refugees and Migration (PRM)** and the **Department of State Public Affairs Section (PAS)**.

Salesian Missions is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. All donations are tax deductible to the full extent of the IRS codes. Our full financial accountability policy is available on our website.

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