

ACTIVITY REPORT FOR END OF 2020 YEAR AND BEGINNING OF 2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

We thank you for letting God use you to transform the lives of the children who work in the trash dump of San Pedro Sula City.

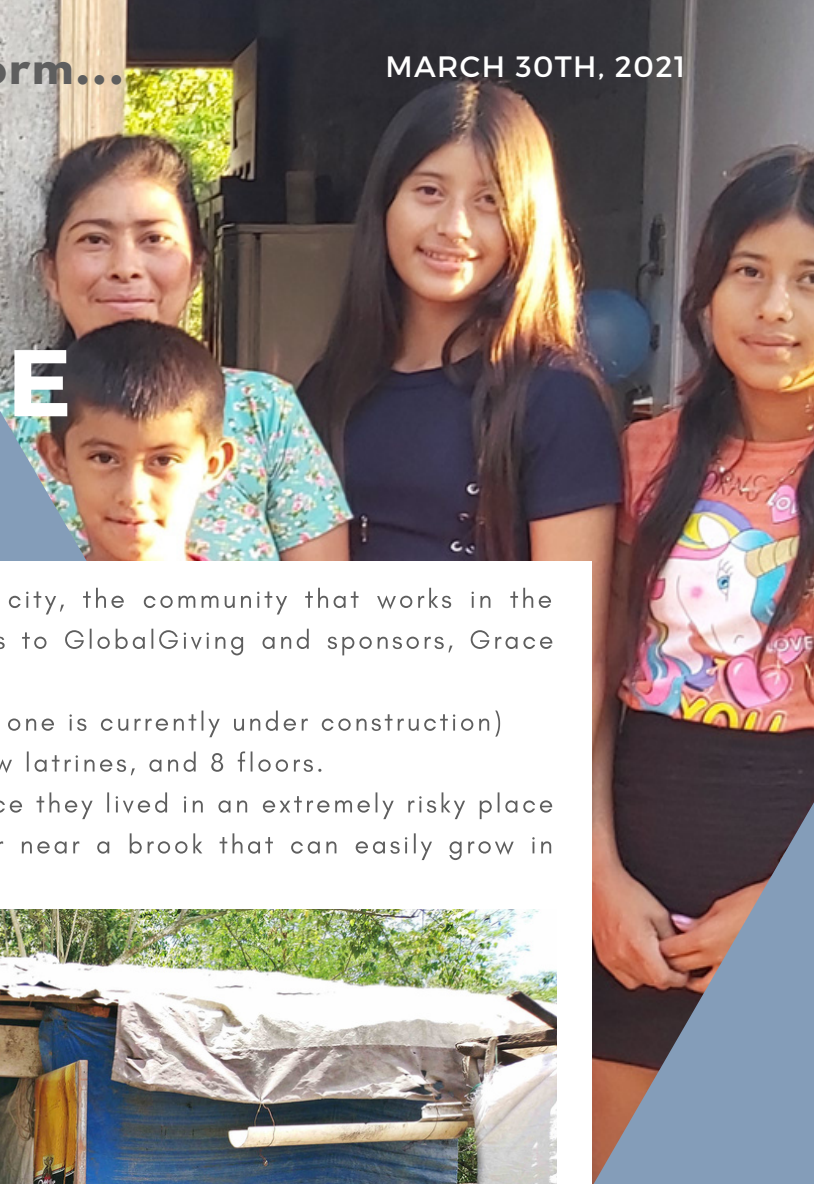


Grace Honduras

Building dreams, recycling lives



WHAT WE HAVE DONE



After Eta and Iota hurricanes came to our city, the community that works in the trash suffered the consequences, but thanks to GlobalGiving and sponsors, Grace Honduras has:

- 1.) Built four houses (three of them are done, one is currently under construction)
- 2.) Repair 10 roofs of different houses, 13 new latrines, and 8 floors.

Several families are now renting a house since they lived in an extremely risky place (near a hill that can fall from heavy rain or near a brook that can easily grow in rains)



Before



After



WHAT WE HAVE GIVEN

Our kitchen is always open so children can come to eat breakfast, lunch, and even dinner. It serves seven days a week and kids come every single day. (even though school classes begin on March 15) If we close our kitchen, the children we serve eat food they find in the dump, we have already taken one of our students to ER due to food poisoning, due to hurricanes, they have lost financial incomes, this is why we are promoting entrepreneurship by supporting microbusinesses.

- We have provided financial support to 10 different families to buy food and medicines.
- We have given away clothes, shoes, and backpacks to different families.
- We give provisions almost every day to families who come for help, we always try to have rice and eggs for them, when financial help comes we provide way more to all of our families. Since Grace began serving in the dump we have always provided food, but after hurricanes, this specific task has multiplied and done more frequently.
- We gave 5 new beds.
- We have a small nursery where 4 years old come and watch TV and eat instead of going to the trash dump all day. Andrea is a four-year-old, stepdaughter of a gang member, she is being physically and emotionally abused by her mother, in the small group we have we steal hours from the mother and provide a safe space for Andrea to laugh, play, eat and be a kid. Andrea stops going to the dump, but there are more toddlers we hope to reach. After the hurricanes, people who work in the dump have multiplied, due to lack of financial income, this is why we have to improvise a small nursery, to prevent babies and toddlers to spend time in the dump with their parents.
- We are providing psychological support for families who are suffering from trauma from losing their houses.
- We have taken children and mothers to the hospital at every time of the day (including midnight).
- We ourselves have to assist them medically in accidents, due to lack of immediate medical help in the community.



DESPITE HURRICANES AND PANDEMIC, HOPE BURST AGAIN

In the midst of circumstances, to bring hope to families we were able to provide a Christmas party and Preschool Graduation, giving to every child new clothes and shoes and graduating 25 preschoolers.

Our 2021 school year is almost ready to begin, with 200 enroll through kindergarten through eighth grade, we will give presential classes in different schedules. Providing special education, since all of our students had a psycho-pedagogical evaluation and we confirm 80% of all of our students suffer from a learning difficulty.

Besides the families who were affected, our school installations also suffered damages due to the storms, our draining, and sewage systems collapsed, but that was no obstacle for us to be ready to welcome students and continue to provide integral assistance to the 107 families we serve, including those affected by both hurricanes.





Grace in 2021



We have decided to transform the way we teach. Our Director Katherine is leading the teaching staff into doing psychopedagogical evaluations, in which we have found that 90% of the 200 students we serve have a learning difficulty. We are being learning about different methods and techniques to provide inclusive education.

Even though we are understaffed we have a Mentoring group in which students with a good performance help their peers and also we have students with the most learning difficulties helping in lower grades so they can learn kindergarten, first, second and third grade lessons and "help" other students. This has been a success in this first week.

Our goal is, to begin with, Nursery with a pedagogical focus on the Montessori methodology, especially for children with learning difficulties.

Not a pandemic or hurricanes will stop us from serving our children, hoping we can continue to serve them in every area and for Grace to continue being a refugee for their struggles.



200 reasons to fight...



Grace Honduras, Non Profit Organization, with resolution number 913-2015 and registered in DIRRSAC under number 2015000271, works against child exploitation through integral assistance programs for communities that work and / or live in garbage dumps in the cities of Tegucigalpa and San Pedro Sula.

Our priority project is providing integral care for children who work in the San Pedro Sula landfill, which in 2021 serves 200 students, from kindergarten to university, all garbage workers.



Providing free education, school materials, teachers who serve as mentors for students, two meals a day, psychological support, spiritual orientation, medical care, support in obtaining birth certificates, the creation of micro-businesses for mothers, care in crisis to families, monthly provision, home repair, donation of supplies to prevent the spread of Covid-19 and various donations to all students.



Get to know Grace Honduras
viewing the following videos:



**Grace Honduras in 2019 for children
who work in the garbage dump**



**Katherine's story for Grace
Honduras by Convoy of Hope and
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