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# A MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD CHAIR AND PRESIDENT

2019 was a year of change, achievements and challenges for BBF from a management, structural and industry perspective. With invaluable leadership and guidance from the Board, the organization successfully implemented a seamless transition process, strengthened its management team, unveiled a new website, and streamlined operations for greater efficiency and cost savings. Structurally, our programs were formalized under the sustainable development umbrella in the areas of **H**ealthcare, **I**nfrastructure, **D**isaster Response and **E**ducation or **H.I.D.E.** 

But first, a major milestone. The end of 2019 brought us the retirement and celebration of Luke Hingson's career and indeed, life of service, at Brother's Brother Foundation. It can be unequivocally stated that whether during his storied auspicious time leading the organization or in retirement, there is no one who personifies BBF more than Luke. His legacy will remain unmatched and serves as a fitting tribute to his father and BBF founder, Dr. Robert Hingson, and his mother, Mrs. Gussy Hingson, who pioneered BBF's Education program.

BBF continued its humanitarian work in 2019 in this indomitable spirit of the Hingson family. Our efforts included directly sending over a hundred container shipments to partners across the world. These were made up of 91 Healthcare shipments with often critically needed pharmaceuticals, medical equipment and supplies; more than 25 educational shipments totaling over 108,000 textbooks and classroom material, and five shipments of needed humanitarian supplies. BBF also provided pharmaceuticals and medical supplies to 329 MedSurg trips around the world. In total, we are pleased to have served 67 countries in 2019.

It was a busy year on the disaster front also. BBF's disaster response included Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas and North Carolina, Typhoon Phanfone in the Philippines, the bombing in Sri Lanka and crisis in Venezuela, tornadoes in Alabama and flooding in the Midwest, Cyclone Idai in Malawi and Zimbabwe, Hurricane Barry in Louisiana, and the California wildfires.

BBF complemented these shipment efforts by working on a number of in-country projects with our partners worldwide. These included providing support for solar power systems to outlining clinics and an emergency shelter in Puerto Rico, hospital support and a mobile clinic to assist patients in rural areas near the towns of San Juan and Ponce, school repair work in Caguas and Gurabo, ongoing solar emergency and disaster response units in the Philippines and Indonesia, along with supporting a maternal care project in the Sulawesi region in Indonesia.

We hope this report provides you with a comprehensive overview of BBF's efforts in 2019. Our sincere and heartfelt thank you to all of BBF's supporters around the world and a special acknowledgement for the efforts of our Board of Trustees and staff. Your support makes this work possible and we could not do it without you.

Phillip D. Jones
Board Chair

President

# VISION STATEMENT:

A world where aid leads to sustainable development.

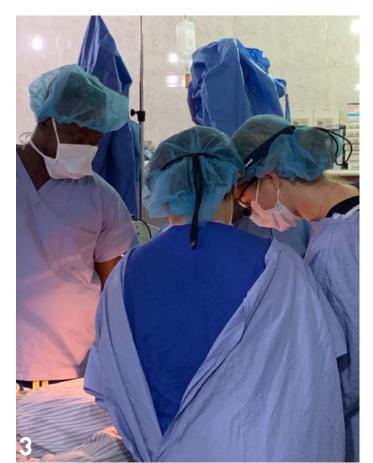
# **MISSION STATEMENT:**

Brother's Brother Foundation helps bridge the gap between aid and sustainability by supporting localized programs and providing essential resources in the areas of Healthcare, Infrastructure, Disaster Response, and Education (H.I.D.E).



# BACKGROUND AND AREAS OF WORK:

BBF was founded in 1958 by Dr. Robert Hingson to provide vaccinations and inoculations to underserved communities around the world. Today, these efforts include regularly scheduled relief shipments and programmatic work under the H.I.D.E. umbrella of Healthcare, Infrastructure, Disaster Response, and Education. Our geographic area of work includes countries and territories in the Americas, Africa, Europe and Asia, in collaboration with partners on the ground.







# PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS:



The organization's programs are formalized under the sustainable development umbrella in the areas of H.I.D.E. A recent piece on a proposed sustainable clinic in BBF's newsletter may be of interest in regard to our vision for a type of sustainable development project. A link to the article is provided below and our goal is to equip the facility with solar panels once it is completed:

https://brothersbrother.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/20-134Web-compressed.pdf

### A description for each program under the H.I.D.E. umbrella is provided below:

- I. Healthcare: This program is made up of three complementary areas:
- **1. Pharmaceutical Donations:** Since 1972, BBF has been receiving short-dated pharmaceuticals (generally less than one year to expiration) from a number of pharma donors. We work with our partners on the ground in developing countries, to donate this much needed medicine to their patients.
- **2. Medical Equipment and Supplies:** One of BBF's core activities for many decades, this program is centered around collecting medical equipment and supplies primarily from our hospital and other types of medical donor partners. We send these donations, often along with pharmaceuticals, to medical facilities around the globe. The scarcity of available resources makes these items especially useful to help treat patients in hospitals and clinics.
- **3. Med-Surg Trips:** This program focuses on supporting physician led teams, who give of their time and expertise to help patients on the ground in various countries. MedSurg clinics are best exemplified by Project Theia's video of their Ghana Trip. It can be found on Vimeo at: https://vimeo.com/255394489 or by Googling: Project Theia Ghana.

# II. Infrastructure: The infrastructure program focuses on the areas of solar power and WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene):

- **1. Solar:** BBF has been working with partners to help install solar panel systems since early 2013. The program began with first supplying batteries to six hospitals in Liberia and since then has grown in size and scope. By the end of 2019, we have worked with partners to equip over 50 clinics and hospitals in Sub-Saharan Africa and Puerto Rico.
- **2. WASH:** The WASH program is a new BBF initiative and continues to take shape as staff works to identify areas in which the greatest impact and alignment with overall BBF priorities can be realized. The program is currently focusing on working with volunteers to sew washable feminine hygiene pads for school age girls. BBF is working with a local Pittsburgh organization to help provide these pads for schoolgirls in Latin American countries.





# III. Disaster Response: This program focuses on working hand-in-hand with first responders and relief agencies in the affected areas to provide ongoing support.

The program includes the sourcing and staging of resources, creating partnerships with transportation networks, and working with local partners and other VOADs (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster), along with engaging with volunteers to sort and send disaster relief supplies.

BBF has responded to disasters and humanitarian crises in collaboration with partners over many decades. These include the tsunami of 2005, Hurricanes Katrina and Matthew, along with responses in Peru, Nicaragua, Honduras, Guatemala, Dominican Republic, India, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iran, Croatia, Bosnia, Poland, Ukraine, Armenia, Russia, Romania, Lithuania, Slovakia, Hungary, Turkey, Syria, Iraq, Japan, Nepal, and the Ebola outbreaks in Liberia and Sierra Leone.

Disaster and humanitarian response and recovery efforts in 2019:

- Hurricane Laura, Louisiana, Texas, U.S., Southern Haiti
- · Hurricane Isaias, The Bahamas, U.S.
- Typhoon Phanfone (Ursula), East Samar, Philippines
- Earthquake response, Guanica, Puerto Rico
- Tornado response, Tennessee, U.S.
- Sri Lanka bombings, Colombo, Sri Lanka
- Hurricane Dorian, The Bahamas, North & South Carolina, U.S.

- Hurricane Florence, North & South Carolina
- Hurricane Michael, Florida, U.S.
- California Wildfires, California, U.S.
- Alabama Tornadoes, East Alabama, U.S.
- Venezuelan humanitarian crisis, Venezuela /Colombia
- Cyclone Idai response, Zimbabwe & Malawi
- Hurricanes, Harvey, Irma, Texas, Florida, USVI, Puerto Rico, U.S.

# IV. Education: The education program began with publishers donating books to BBF for recipients in countries around the world.

The program has since grown to working with local communities to help repair schools damaged by hurricanes and other natural calamities such as earthquakes. BBF has also provided solar panels for a school in Malawi and other initiatives include working with local communities to provide refurbished computers along with educational software to students; with the overall objective being to help positively impact their educational development.

BBF's major partners in the education book shipment program were Food For The Poor, Life for Relief and Development, International Orthodox Christian Charities, and the Rotary Clubs of Makati, in the Philippines and Tema, in Ghana. BBF also worked with Peace Corps Volunteers in a number of locations. In addition to the Philippines and Ghana, book donations were sent to Jamaica, El Salvador, Uganda, Somalia, Rwanda, Samoa, Zambia, and Comoros. Domestically, books were sent to Native American schools in the continental U.S., along with public schools in the territories of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.











# SCOPE AND FOCUS OF WORK

BBF's work falls into two broad categories:

- 1. Providing essential resources as requested by our partners.
- 2. Supporting programs developed in collaboration with our partners worldwide.

## 1. PROVIDING ESSENTIAL RESOURCES AS REQUESTED BY OUR PARTNERS.

These efforts focus on working with local partners to understand their needs and help address them by sending shipments of donated and purchased products and supplies. Ideally, our goal is to work hand-in-hand with partners towards attaining sustainable solutions as much as possible.

Shipments in this category would be exemplified by donations of pharmaceuticals, medical supplies and equipment, equipment for solar projects and supplies for WASH programs, disaster relief and response supplies, and educational material including computers and related educational software. These donations typically take the form of ocean-going containers along with other smaller shipments.

In 2019, BBF sent 91 medical shipments that comprised 72 full containers and 19 smaller donations. Healthcare shipments were sent to countries and territories including the US. Mainland, Puerto Rico, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Cameroon, Zimbabwe, Liberia, Malawi, Ghana, Tanzania, and Nigeria. BBF worked with established partners such as Food For The Poor, B'nai B'rith, Redemption Hospital, The Ponce Medical School Foundation, Medical Benevolence Foundation, and CEPUDO, and entered into new partnerships with other governmental and non-governmental organizations such as the Bahamas Ministry of Health and Fundacion Unidos para Servir.

Additional work in this area includes supporting physician led trips to regions in need in developing countries through what we call the Med-Surg program. In 2019, BBF provided pharmaceuticals and medical supplies to support 329 such trips.

Our Education Program sent 25 shipments to partners in eight different countries including the United States, Jamaica, El Salvador, the Philippines, Uganda, and Somalia. BBF worked with longstanding partners, including Life for Relief and Development, International Orthodox Christian Charities, the Makati Rotary Club Foundation, and Food For The Poor to distribute donations of education materials.

BBF's Humanitarian Program sent 13 shipments to partners such as Habitat for Humanity, the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank, Lowcountry Food Bank, and America's Second Harvest of the Big Bend, as part of our disaster response work.









## COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES RECEIVING AID IN 2019

Angola

Antigua and Barbuda

Argentina

Bahamas

Belize

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Bhutan Bolivia

Brazil

Cambodia

Cameroon

Central African Republic

Colombia

Comoros

The Democratic Republic

of the Congo

Costa Rica

Dominican Republic

Ecuador

El Salvador

Ethiopia

Gambia

Ghana

Greece

Guatemala

Guinea

Guiriea

Guyana

Haiti

Honduras

India

Jamaica

Kenya

Lebanon

Liberia

Malawi

Mexico

Republic of Moldova Mongolia Mozambique

Myanmar

Nepal

Nicaragua

Niger

Nigeria

Palestine

Panama

Papua New Guinea

Peru

Philippines

Puerto Rico

Romania

Rwanda

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Samoa

Senegal

Sierra Leone

Somalia

South Africa

Sri Lanka

Sudan

United Republic

of Tanzania

Tonga

Trinidad and Tobago

Uganda

Ukraine

United States of America

Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

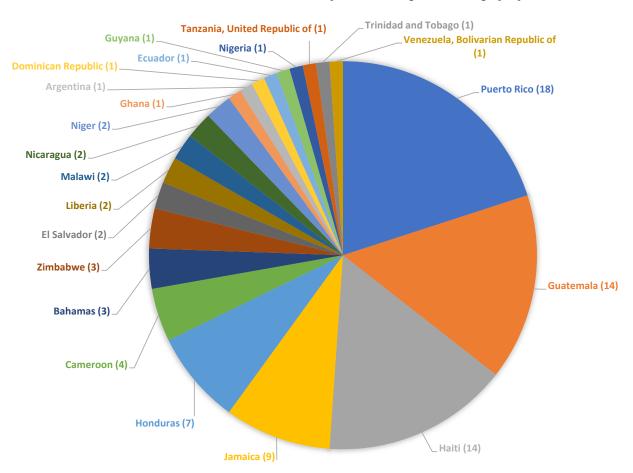
Vietnam

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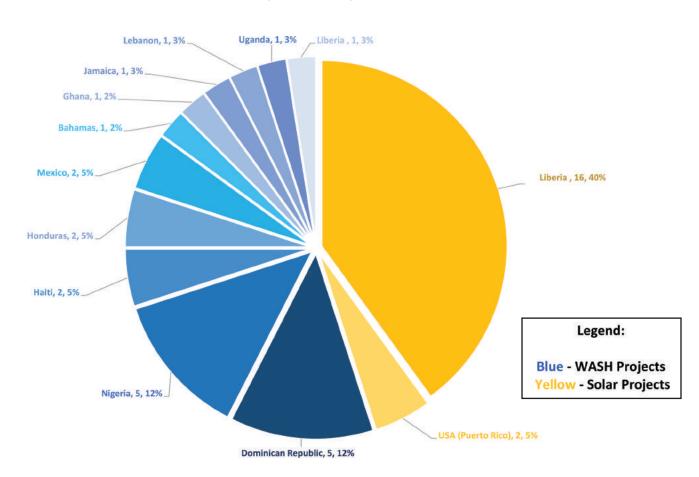
Zambia

Zimbabwe

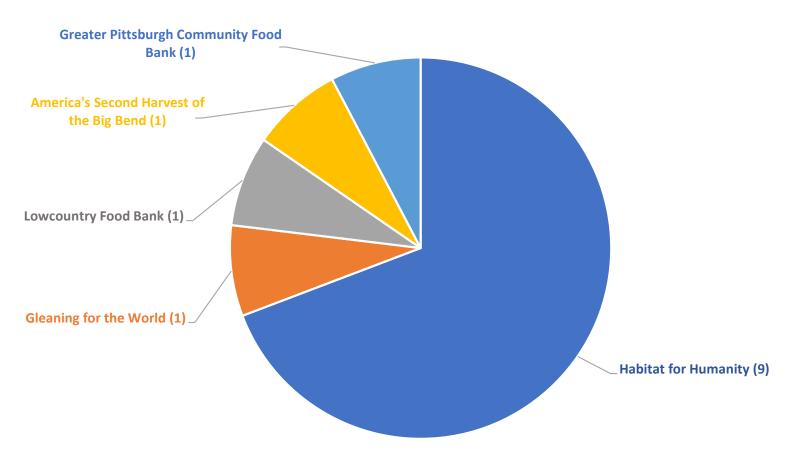
## **Total Healthcare Shipments by Country (91)**



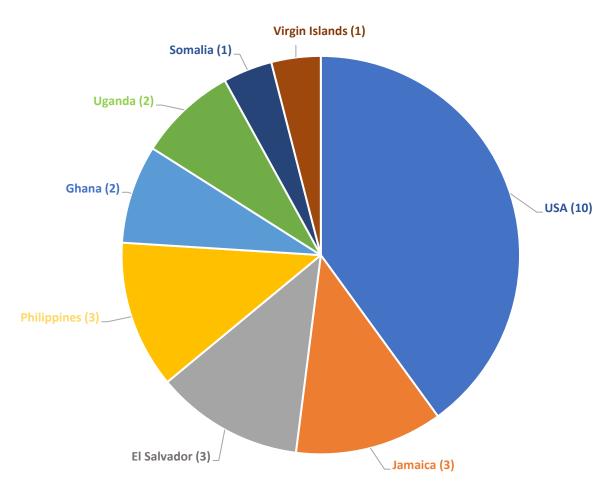
# Infrastructure Projects by Country (40) (Country, # of Projects, %)



## **Domestic Disaster Response Shipments by Organization (13)**



## **Education Shipments by Country (25)**



## 2. SUPPORTING PROGRAMS DEVELOPED IN COLLABORATION WITH OUR PARTNERS WORLDWIDE.



In addition to sending relief shipments around the world, BBF collaborates with partners to support in-country programs on the ground. These programs complement our shipments and as mentioned, fall in the H.I.D.E. categories. Quite often, there is an overlap in the program areas. For example, what may have originally been a disaster response effort, could have then evolved to helping improve an affected facility's infrastructure by providing solar panels; after which BBF may ship requested medical supplies and equipment to assist with long-term recovery.

Listed below are examples of such projects in the healthcare and disaster response areas that were completed in 2019. These projects often cross over calendar years as many damaged facilities undergo repairs. Grants and contributions from both our institutional and individual donors were instrumental in allowing BBF to complete a number of these impactful efforts. Our goal is to work locally as much as possible from all aspects and have a positive impact on the area's economy. The listing is then followed by an overview of some of these projects.

## A. Support for healthcare programs and projects:

- Emergency Mobile Response Unit, San Remigio, Philippines.
- Centro Medico Hospital housekeeping equipment, San Juan, Puerto Rico
- Caring for Mothers and Children, Central Sulawesi, Indonesia
- Philippines Disaster & Emergency Response Project, Bogo City, Philippines
- Ponce Medical School Mobile Response Unit, Ponce, Puerto Rico
- Ponce Medical Foundation solar projects, CDT Jayuya & Lajas, Puerto Rico
- Con Tus Manos, Ponce, Puerto Rico
- Liberia Medical Facilities Solar Program, nationwide, Liberia
- Municipality of Loiza emergency shelter solar project, Loiza, Puerto Rico







# 2019 PROJECT OVERVIEW:





## POST HURRICANE MARIA PROJECTS IN PUERTO RICO:

## I. Solar Power Installations:

BBF's principal partners in the solar projects in Puerto Rico include the Ponce Medical Foundation (PMF) on the southern coast of the island and the City of Loiza for their emergency shelter project.

1. CDT (Center for Diagnostics and Treatment) Jayuya: CDT Jayuya, is located in the central mountainous region of Puerto Rico. The clinic was badly damaged during hurricane Maria and was without electricity for an extended period of time. The nearest hospital is over an hour away, underscoring the importance of the CDT for the community. The solar part of the project was successfully completed and we continue to support the facility. BBF provided the Obstetrics and Gynecology Operating area with an operating table, surgical lights, infant scale and incubator, along with beds and other supplies for the facility.

**2. The Municipal Vaccine Clinic:** Located in the city of Ponce, the clinic "Salud al Dia" is an essential facility for the community and faced on-going challenges due to the lack of a reliable source of electricity. BBF worked with the Ponce Medical Foundation on this project also and funded the installation of a solar power back up system for the clinic. This system assists with maintaining the efficacy of vaccines during power outages via temperature-controlled storage. As with other locations, BBF staff was able to visit the Municipal Vaccine Clinic and view the completed project.

## II. Community Hospital and Clinic Projects:

1. Clinica del Sur Free Mobile Clinic: The Mobile Clinic Project was developed by the Ponce Medical School Foundation to provide comprehensive primary medical services to patients in rural areas in Puerto Rico who are either ineligible for public health insurance or do not have the ability to pay for medical care. The clinic encompasses an extended, especially refurbished bus, that is staffed by students, faculty, physicians, and nurses of the Ponce Health Sciences University. It collaborates with other facilities to serve patients in outlying areas. BBF was pleased to fund the project in partnership with other organizations to help address the needs of these vulnerable communities.



**2. Centro Medico Hospital:** Centro Medico is located in San Juan and is one of several hospitals that BBF has supported in Puerto Rico in the wake of Hurricane Maria. BBF has provided medical equipment and supplies to the hospital, and management also expressed a dire additional need for replacement laundry equipment. Though a seemingly mundane request, the poor condition of their equipment risked contagion and the spread of disease. To meet these needs, BBF funded commercial-grade laundry carts to replace the wooden ones being used. This upgrade brought the hospital in-line with appropriate regulatory code.



## III. School Repair and Refurbishment:

The damage to educational facilities in Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria paralleled that of the Healthcare area. Through the kind courtesy of the staff and players of Pittsburgh Pirates, BBF developed a relationship with a local San Juan based corporation called Luis Garraton, Inc. (LGI), which helped distribute relief supplies on the island. LGI and its sister company Drogueria Betances, LLC., also initiated a project called Adopt-A-School Program, to repair schools in the community. These schools were severely damaged by the hurricane and needed urgent help to continue to provide educational services. The proficiency data listed indicates that the schools need further support in the academic area also. With BBF and LGI's support, employee teams at LGI and Betances repaired the schools themselves with BBF staff being involved in project planning and making on-site visits.

**Agustin Stahl - Bayamon:** Escuela Dr. Agustín Stahl is a public school located in Bayamon, PR. It has 446 students in grades 9-12 with a student-teacher ratio of 15 to 1. According to state test scores, 5% of students are proficient in math and 37% in reading. The school was extensively damaged by Hurricane Maria with water damage to nearly all school facilities including roof structures.

Repairs supported by BBF and LGI included efforts to restore both academic learning and extracurricular activities. The project specifically included replacement of classroom teaching technology devices, repairs to classrooms, the installation of air conditioning units, repairs to electrical wiring and replacement of associated equipment, along with basketball court repairs and the purchase of sporting equipment.

**Julian Blanco - Bayamon:** Escuela de Ballet Julian Blanco is a public school with a strong focus on ballet, located in San Juan. As an interesting side note, Beatriz Rossello, Puerto Rico's former First Lady, attended Escuela Julian Blanco.



The school has 106 students in grades 5-12 with a student-teacher ratio of 6 to 1. According to state test scores, 67% of students are proficient in math and 87% in reading. Damage included warped and uneven floorboards in the dance studio due to flooding, broken railings on stairs, fire hazard caused by poor electrical wiring, and a school wide pest control issue.

BBF worked with LGI to complement the efforts of the Office for the Betterment of Public Schools to fund general repairs, reconstruction, and welding. BBF and LGI repaired the principal dance studio and electrical wiring, installed and repaired air conditioning units, and addressed the pest control problem.

**Superior Vocacional Republica de Costa Rica School - Caguas:** This vocational school with an enrollment of 780 students was extensively damaged after Hurricane Maria. All classrooms were flooded, several structures lost their zinc sheet metal roofs and windows, the playing field was destroyed and only the skeleton structure remained of the school's cooperative building. The issues at the school were outlined by the Principal in a local newspaper interview after the hurricane, "The main thing that worries me is safety. Everything is exposed. Right now, if it could be enabled with water and electricity, only 20% of the school would be working."

BBF worked with LGI's sister organization, Drogueria Betances, to repair the school's classrooms and roofing, provided air conditioning units for the classrooms along with repairing and replacing electrical fixtures and wiring. The school's basketball court, roof, and bleachers were also repaired so students could have a holistic learning experience.



Margarita Rivera de Janer - Gurabo: Escuela Margarita Rivera de Janer is a public school located in Gurabo. It has 479 students in grades K-5 with a student-teacher ratio of 11 to 1. According to state test scores, 54% of students are proficient in math and 40% in reading. The school has a focus on special needs children with many of the students enrolled being from lower income families - 87% of whom were eligible for free or reduced cost lunches.

BBF's collaboration with LGI included repairing hurricane damage to the school's classrooms, constructing a roof in the school yard for the student recreational area and installing sensory room equipment. A special playground surface was installed to ensure that children with disabilities had appropriate facilities. Air conditioning units were replaced with corresponding updates to electrical fixtures and wiring.

**Luis Muñoz Marin - Juana Diaz:** This school has approximately 227 students and also serves as a community center for adults, offering education services to those living nearby. 80% of the school children are primarily from lower-income families with over 25% being special needs students.

Given the importance of the school to both the students and the community, BBF worked with Drogueria Betances and the Ponce Medical Foundation to restore the school's outdoor recreational facilities. This included repainting the facilities, installing bird netting, and replacing damaged lighting.

Fortaleza Para Ti (Strength For You) - San Juan: Started by one of Puerto Rico's former First Ladies, this program is aimed at providing school supplies for children on the island. It has helped numerous in-need students with school supplies and equipment, along with educating them about how to avoid and respond to bullying. The program takes a holistic approach and ensures that students receive health checkups and know how to respond in the event of a hurricane.





## **IV. Additional Puerto Rico Projects:**

**Jump N for the future – Robert Pack Foundation:** This project was led by former National Basketball Association (NBA) player and current Assistant Coach for the Washington Wizards team, Robert Pack. It focused on having high-school students help rebuild hurricane damaged houses in the town of Loiza. The group worked on houses in collaboration with other non-profits with support from the local municipal government.

As stated by one of the chaperones of the student group, this project "allowed for intercultural education and integration while serving a very human need for the improvement of neighborhoods and communities." To further quote Robert Pack himself, "I want to thank you (BBF) for your generous donation. I am really excited these young men will be able to take part in the Puerto Rico Community Service Project in September. This will be another experience that will enable them to be productive leaders in their community."

**Puerto Rico Rises (PRR) - Con Tus Manos or With Your Hands:** PRR is a long-term BBF partner that began its grass-roots relief supplies collection and delivery efforts after Hurricane Maria. BBF funded the shipment and distribution of over 16 containers of these humanitarian relief supplies. PRR subsequently received a half-million dollar grant from FEMA to purchase building supplies to rebuild damaged homes for over one hundred families. BBF supported PRR's efforts to transport these housing materials throughout the island so it could continue its relief efforts and assist the affected families.

## **Additional Worldwide Disaster Response Related Projects:**

**Disaster and Emergency Mobile Response Unit – Philippines:** In response to Super Typhoon Hayian, Project Abroad Philippines has partnered with Rotary clubs and other NGO's and civic organizations. These efforts have focused on assisting victims of the typhoon in the Northern part of Cebu Province including, Bogo, San Remigio, Medellin, Daanbantayan and Bantayan.

In collaboration with BBF and other NGOs, this project established Motorcycle Response Units (MRUs), complementary teams of well trained and equipped EMS personnel, along with trained volunteer Community Emergency Response Teams (CERTs), to provide effective disaster and emergency response in the northern towns of Cebu province. MRU's are used for both fire and EMS (Emergency Medical Services) response purposes to reach patients in difficult to access areas. CERT members, trained in basic disaster response skills, educate community members about emergency preparedness, participate in on-going supplemental training, and work through practice disaster scenarios with other teams.



California Wildfires – United States: The 2019 California wildfires burnt almost 260,000 acres of land and included 7,860 separate fires. The largest of these was the Kincaid fire in Sonoma County that burned over 77,000 acres and caused evacuations for over 190,000 people. BBF responded to the fires by sending relief supplies in collaboration with Gleaning for the World. We also provided support to the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano Counties in early 2019 to help with the devastation caused by the Camp Fire towards the latter part of 2018. The Camp Fire was the deadliest and most destructive wildfire in California history.

**Tornado outbreak – United States:** On March 3rd, 2019, 41 tornadoes touched down within 6 hours across parts of Alabama, Georgia, Florida, and South Carolina. Killing 23 people and injuring at least 100 others, the strongest of these was an EF4 tornado that devastated rural communities including Beauregard and Smiths Station, Alabama to Talbotton, Georgia. BBF responded to the tornado by supporting the Food Bank of East Alabama to help meet the needs of community members affected by the tornadoes.

Tropical Cyclone Idai - Mozambique, **Zimbabwe, Malawi:** With a death toll of over 1,300, Cyclone Idai was the deadliest tropical cyclone ever to impact the countries of Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi. It caused wide-spread devastation and a major humanitarian crisis that impacted over three million people. BBF worked in collaboration with two other partners and provided support for the acquisition of tarps, blankets, food and water to the affected areas. We also provided a grant for a medical response team from Union College, and assistance to Mutambara and Chipping Hospitals in Zimbabwe to acquire medication and supplies.



**Humanitarian Crisis – Venezuela:** As has been well documented, the ongoing socioeconomic and political crisis in Venezuela has led to a substantial shortage of basic necessities and critically needed pharmaceuticals and medical supplies. Along with other organizations, BBF collaborated with long-time partner Food For The Poor to provide medical equipment, such as wheelchairs and walkers, to the U.S. Naval Hospital Ship, Comfort. The ship docked in Santa Marta, Colombia "to provide medical assistance to help relieve pressure on the health system strained by the Venezuelan migration crisis", per the U.S. Navy Press Release.

**Flooding – United States:** The Midwestern United States experienced major flooding in the spring of 2019. Severe weather outbreaks in the High Plains and South exacerbated the situation and the flooding affected nearly 14 million people in Midwestern and Southern states. Both the Missouri and Mississippi rivers saw flooding which affected Nebraska, Missouri, South Dakota, Iowa, Kansas, Illinois, and Missouri. BBF responded by working with Gleaning for the World to send two trailer loads of blankets and cleaning supplies to some of the flood affected areas.

**Hurricane Barry and Tropical Storm Imelda – United States:** Hurricane Barry was a Category 1 hurricane that made landfall in Louisiana in July 2019. Barry caused record rainfall in Arkansas and Louisiana. The storm caused widespread flooding and approximately \$600 million in damage.

Tropical Storm Imelda caused severe damage and flooding in Southeast Texas and Louisiana. The cities of Galveston and Beaumont were majorly affected, and the storm necessitated a number of water rescues with some areas experiencing over 43 inches of rain. Total damage from the storm was estimated to have surpassed \$5 billion.

BBF worked with Gleaning for the World to send tractor trailers of relief supplies to the affected areas. We were also able to utilize a distribution center originally set up during the Hurricane Harvey response to assist those impacted by the adverse weather conditions.



**Earthquake and Tsunami – Indonesia:** In September of 2018, a magnitude 7.5 earthquake struck the island of Sulawesi in Indonesia. The quake and ensuing tsunami caused extensive damage on the island and led to the deaths of more than 4,300 people. The earthquake caused major soil liquefaction in and around the provincial capital Palu that led to buildings being submerged by mudflows. The tsunami also destroyed waterfront houses and buildings.



BBF worked with ADRA (Adventist Development and Relief Agency) in collaboration with ADRA Indonesia on the *Caring for Mothers and Children through Constructing Health Facilities* project. The goal of the project was to restore health services for pregnant women and mothers with children under-five, in five villages in Sigi District.

The project successfully constructed five Birthing Centers (Pustu) and one Integrated Post Services Center (Posyandu), in the villages of Jono, Beka, Puroo, Karawana and Pakuli. In addition to providing health services for expectant mothers during pregnancy, the project focused on addressing malnourishment in children five and under and promoted good health practices. An additional objective of the project was to boost local labor employment and encourage the rebuilding of hard-hit areas.

**Hurricane Dorian – Bahamas:** Hurricane Dorian was a Category 5 Atlantic hurricane that primarily impacted the Bahamas in late August 2019. Damage was catastrophic due to prolonged intense storm conditions. This included heavy rainfall and maximum sustained winds of 185 mph on Abaco Island and similar conditions on Grand Bahama. Thousands of homes were destroyed with estimated damage exceeding \$3.4 billion.

BBF responded to the hurricane by sending shipments of medical equipment and supplies to the Bahamas Ministry of Health. We also partnered with Puerto Rico Rises to send additional relief shipments collected especially by the people of Puerto Rico to reciprocate for assistance received after Hurricane Maria. BBF is also evaluating a project proposal to rebuild a damaged school on the island and equip it with a solar power generating system.



**Bombings - Sri Lanka:** The Easter Sunday 2019 bombings in Sri Lanka's capital killed 267 people and caused injuries to over 500 more. BBF worked with members of the Sri Lankan community and Pittsburgh's interfaith organizations to collect funds to help the victims of the bombings. The proceeds were donated to the Sri Lankan Red Cross for relief purposes.

## Activities in the areas of public and global health policy:

BBF overarchingly adheres to World Health Organization (WHO) guidelines in the conduct of its activities. Staff members regularly participate in seminars and programs, along with utilizing educational material offered by WHO, local health agencies, and a number of global health organizations such as PQMD – Partnership for Quality Medical Donation. BBF's associations include but are not limited to:

- The Harvard Humanitarian Initiative
- Med Surplus Alliance (member)
- Interaction (member)
- PAHO Pan American Health Organization

- UNICEF
- CDC
- The Gates Foundation
- The Clinton Health Initiative

# CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2019 & 2018

ASSETS	2019	2018
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,139,162	\$ 1,570,025
Accounts Receivable	59,084	26,440
Investments	3,117,809	4,245,391
Inventory	7,368,490	15,679,555
Prepaid Expenses	68,569	52,185
Property and Equipment Net	2,260,683	2,164,613
TOTAL ASSETS*	\$ 14,013,797	\$ 23,738,209
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ 245,439	\$ 253,956
NET ASSETS	\$ 13,768,358	\$ 23,484,253
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS*	\$ 14,013,797	\$ 23,738,209

\*Note: The decrease in **Total Assets** and a corresponding decrease in **Total Liabilities and Net Assets** from 2018 to 2019, is primarily due to a temporary decline in pharmaceutical donations received by BBF from an in-kind donor and destruction of expired inventory. The decline in donations was a result of the donor changing its internal inventory management system and pausing all donations due to this transition during the second half of 2019. These donations have resumed at their normal pace in 2020. Please refer to BBF's Audited Financial Statements listed on our website for further details.





# CONDENSED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGE IN NET ASSETS YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019 & 2018

REVENUE AND PUBLIC SUPPORT	2019	2018
Donated Materials and Supplies*	\$ 53,014,326	\$ 92,071,032
Individuals	1,859,283	1,990,568
Foundations	353,945	853,875
Program Service Fees	267,015	366,375
Corporations	42,531	105,260
Civic and Social Clubs	15,615	20,453
Religious Organizations	46,487	65,648
SUBTOTAL	\$ 55,599,202	\$ 95,473,211
Investment (Loss) Income	\$ 539,331	\$ (185,308)
Other Revenue	5,000	36,561
TOTAL REVENUE AND PUBLIC SUPPORT*	\$ 56,143,533	\$ 95,324,464
FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES		
Program Expenses		
Health	\$ 53,500,021	\$ 82,096,927
Educational	9,641,396	19,448,550
Humanitarian	190,914	329,352
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSE	\$ 63,332,331	\$ 101,874,829
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS  Net Assets	\$ (9,715,895)	\$ (8,851,299)
Beginning of Year	\$ 23,484,253	\$ 32,335,552
End of Year	\$ 13,768,358	\$ 23,484,253

<sup>\*</sup>Note: The decrease in **Donated Materials and Supplies** and corresponding decrease in **Total Revenue and Public Support** from 2018 to 2019, is primarily due to a temporary decline in pharmaceutical donations received by BBF from an in-kind donor and destruction of expired inventory. The decline in donations was a result of the donor changing its internal inventory management system and pausing all donations due to this transition during the second half of 2019. These donations have resumed at their normal pace in 2020. Please refer to BBF's Audited Financial Statements listed on our website for further details.

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On behalf of everyone here at BBF and from so many individuals and families the world over, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your commitment and generosity. You have helped make countless lives immeasurably better, and without you, our efforts to assist so many in need both here at home and around the globe, would not be possible.

It is our hope that the preceeding pages provided you with a discernable understanding about the impact that you have made in helping others. Behind the number of containers shipped and programs supported, are stories that lie in the tears apparent in the eyes of the Director of CDT Jayuya in Puerto Rico, after her clinic was once again operational with solar power and hospital equipment since being devastated by Hurricane Maria, or the gracious notes from Sister Mercy at St. Joseph's hospital in Malawi, never overtly requesting supplies or equipment until asked but always seeing if we are well and advocating for her patients.

These are but two anecdotes amongst so many that we come across on a daily basis. As you saw earlier in the report, your generosity allowed us to respond to hurricanes in North Carolina and the Bahamas, forest fires in California, the tsunami and typhoon in Indonesia and the Philippines respectively, along with disasters in Puerto Rico. All with individual stories, some appearing on the nightly news and others never told. You also helped support over 329 MedSurg trips that allowed physicians and caregivers to attend to patients in less developed communities around the world – their pictures most always uplifting, hopeful, and full of life!

Thank you to everyone, once again. We would be glad to further discuss BBF's programs and responses with you in any area of interest. Your support allows us to enable sustainable development and help improve the quality of life for so many deserving people around the world.

Yours in gratitude,

Ozzy Samad President

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