



**LUMEN
VITAE** 



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2020-21



**ANNUAL
REPORT**

WE ARE LUMEN VITAE

A vision of abundant life for every child in Haiti



WHO WE ARE

Our mission is to empower children and young adults, especially those who live in marginalized communities in Haiti, to experience life in its abundance, both now and in the future, through the gift of education.

WHO WE SERVE

This generation of young people in Haiti are experiencing tremendous turmoil - natural disasters, inflation, political chaos and gang violence. These struggles are for a people who were already among the poorest in the world.

It's our privilege to serve 1200 children and 24 young adults from varied locations and backgrounds throughout Haiti, thanks to God's provision and the generosity of so many donors.

WHY WE SERVE

Inspired by our Catholic faith, we work to equip young people to become the light in the midst of the darkness, which they face all around them.

Our staff of 21 people in Haiti and over 45 volunteers in the US strive daily to make this possible.



2020-21 AT A GLANCE

Child Sponsorship Program

574 children sponsored



Food Assistance

Distributed 5815 bags of rice and beans



Future Sponsorship

1200 children registered

Resources Managed

\$598k

Emergency Aid

2950 community members assisted



Our Presence

Four Haitian states served

Our Haiti Team

21 members assisting with operations and accompaniment of students



Our US Volunteers

45 members assisting at different levels of responsibilities

CHILD SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM



In the academic year 2020-21, there were 574 students, from 50 schools across four of Haiti's 10 provinces, who participated in our child sponsorship.

For the academic year 2021-2022, added over 600 more students to the program, mostly from the Nippes province of Haiti.



Throughout the year, 14 mentors visited each child's house monthly to track their academic & overall well being.



25 Students graduated the final year of their Secondary studies which is called "Philo".

“ We send a big thanks to the young men and women of Lumen Vitae who are doing this service. May the God of life continue to bless all your members in Haiti and abroad for the wonderful work here at Nippes.

*Fr. Yves Voltaire, Director of Education,
Diocese of Anse-au-veau et Miragoane*

LEARNING CENTER

The Learning Center is a Lumen Vitae administered professional school which focuses on equipping young adults who have completed their High School Graduation, with the skills necessary to work in a competitive global landscape.



A team of eight tutors, located in different parts of the United States, accompany a group of 23 English class students twice a week through zoom. Prior to teaching, each US based tutor received training on how to administer language classes virtually.



As a teacher, I know that I have learned so much from our students. The journey has been an opportunity to meet people from Haiti where they are at. I'm confident that learning English can open doors to new opportunities for these students.

Rose Nadarajan, Volunteer English Teacher



From the day I attended my first class until now, everything has been working fine. I learned a lot of things in the class, such as how to use the computer hardware, the software that I need, how to look for information, etc. I like the way the course is taught.

Exavier Guerby, Computer Class Student

RACE FOR THE LIGHT

Race for the Light was an initiative launched to help 500 families have access to basic food during Haiti's current socio-political and economic crisis. Over 2,500 people across the US took part in Race for the Light from October 1-30, 2020, by fundraising and keeping track of their steps while working out. Through everyone's efforts, we raised \$260,000 to feed 500 families for one year!



10,714 miles target miles set for the Race for Light

\$240,000 goal to be reached over a period of 4 weeks

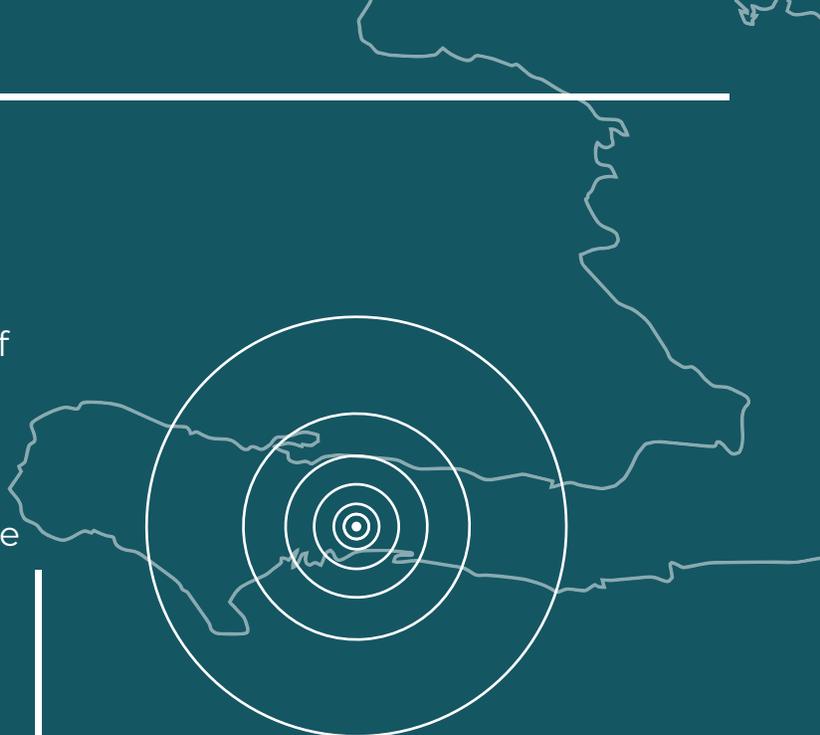
17,525 miles actual miles ran by over 2,500 participants all over the USA

\$260,000 amount raised to feed over 500 families

EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

On August 14, 2021, a 7.2 magnitude earthquake struck the southern region of Haiti, leaving 650,000 people in need of assistance.

To respond to the immediate needs of the people in Nippes, where 400 families participate in our program, the Lumen Vitae team relaunched the Good Neighbor Project, collecting funds from generous donors and working with Caritas in the region.



 **\$35,000**
amount raised from donations

10,184 
hygiene materials distributed including soap, toothbrushes, toothpastes, hand sanitizers and feminine products

over **1,600** people reached with information, education, support and communication



111 tents distributed for families who lost housing

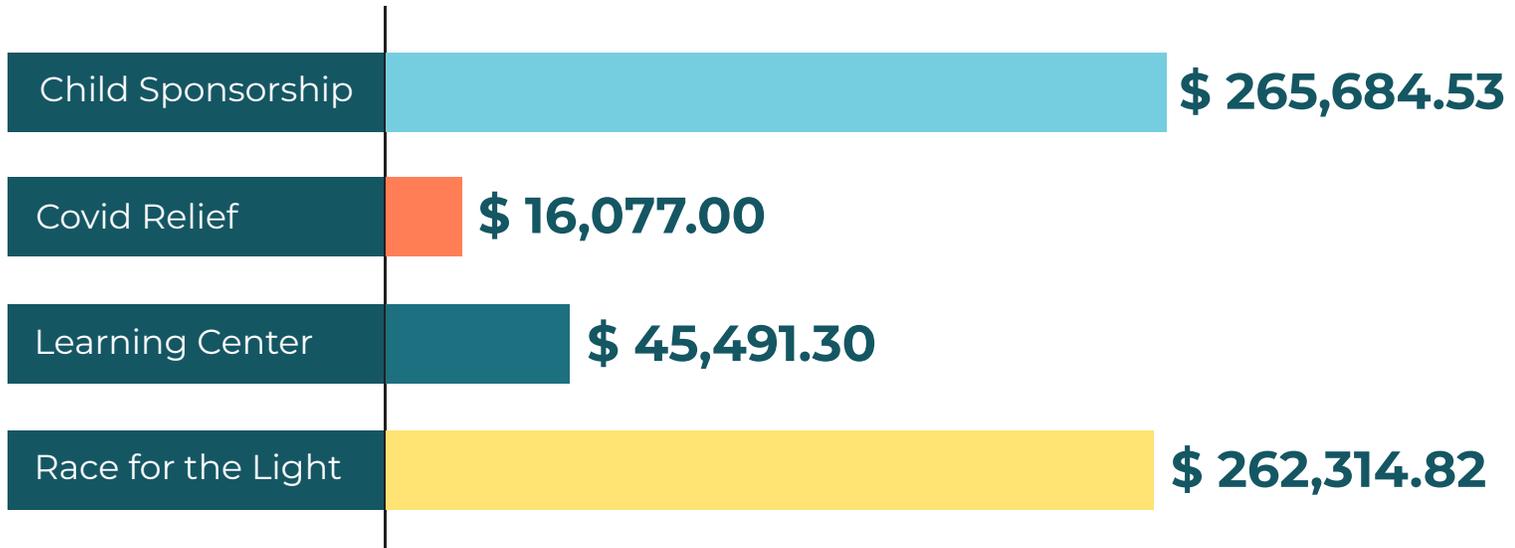


 **2,400** masks distributed with guidelines and instructions on usage, and safety measures against Covid

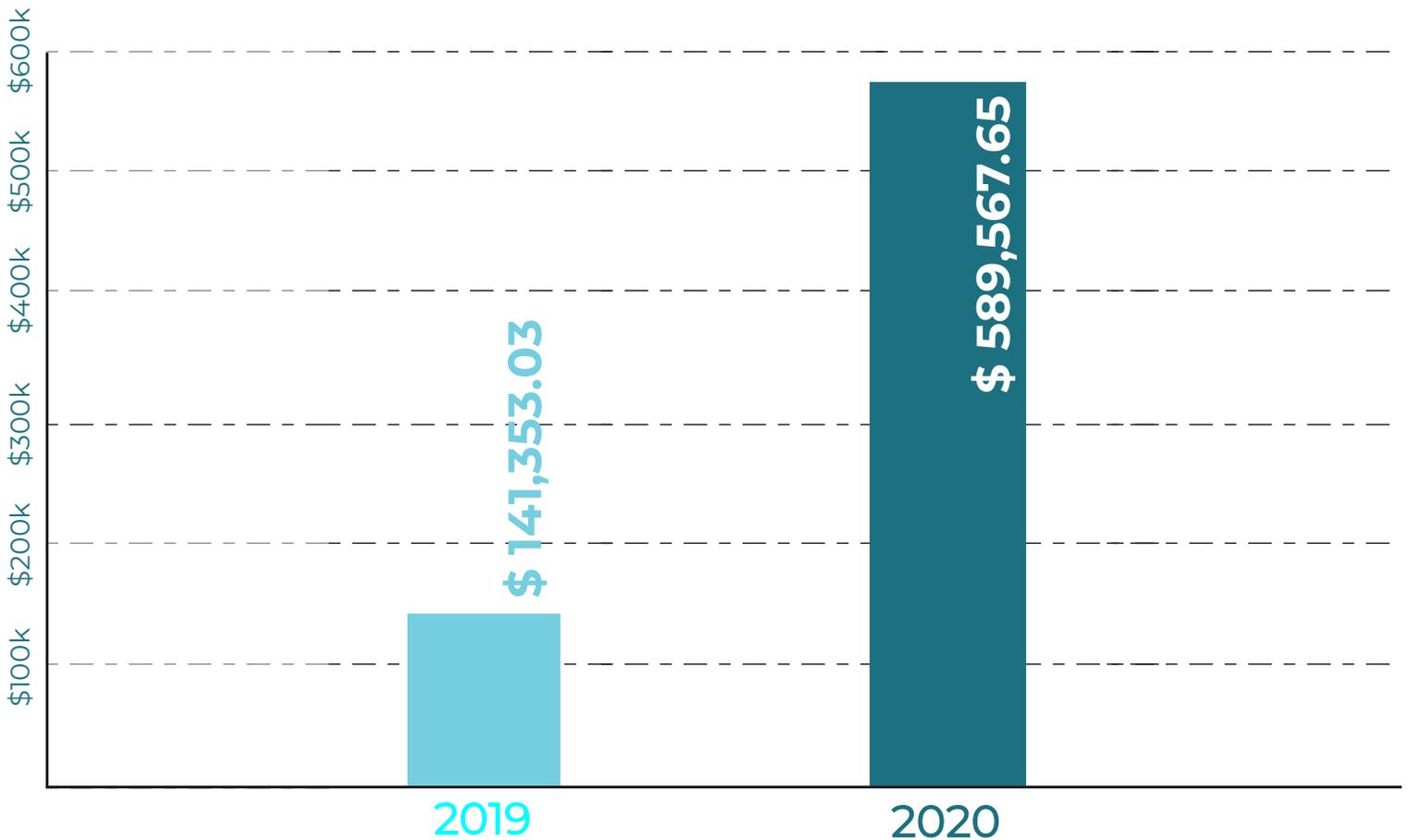
6 pallets including **110** boxes with canned food, drinks, cleaning, medical and hygiene supplies shipped 

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WHAT WE RECEIVED IN DONATIONS

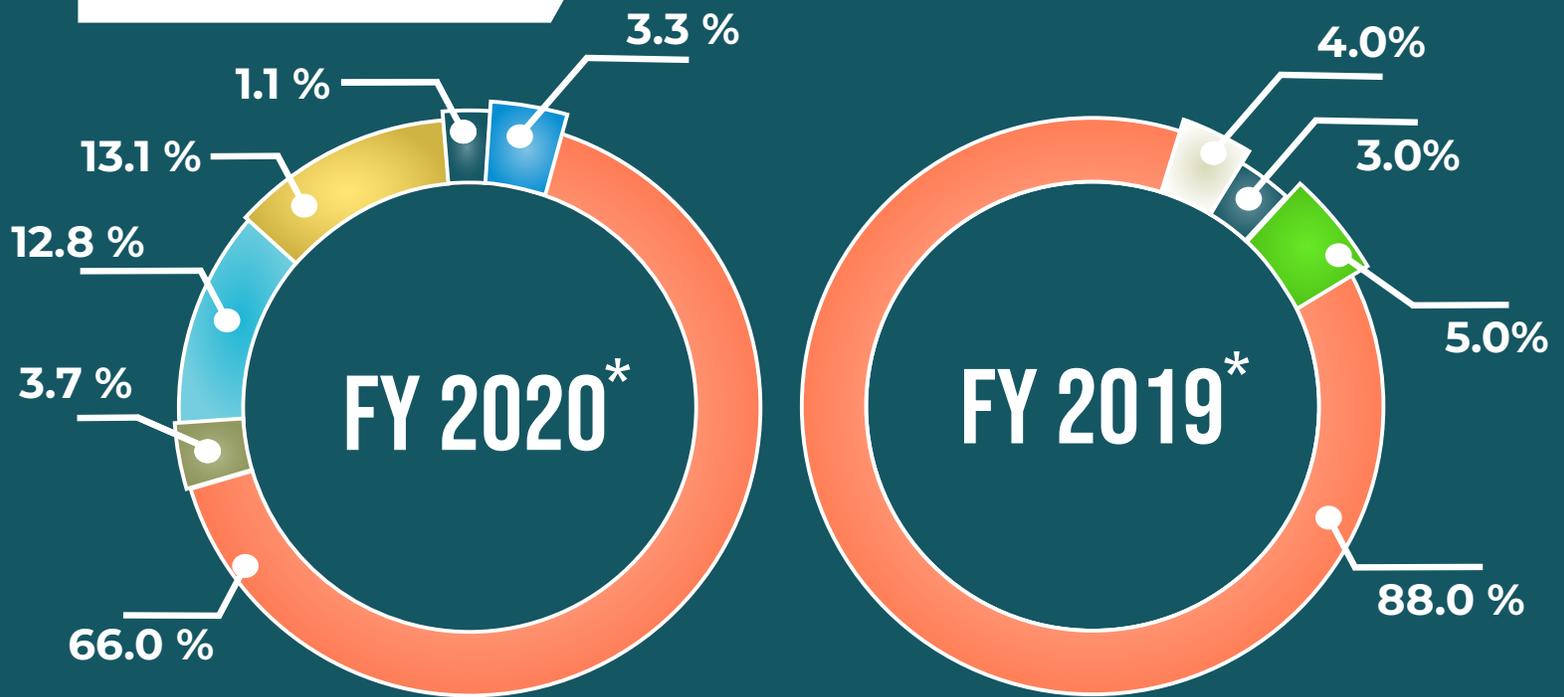


TOTAL INCOME



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HOW WE USED IT



	SECTORS	EXPENDITURE			
		FY 20		FY 19	
	Child Sponsorship	\$285,444.22	66.0%	\$110,545.00	88.0%
	Administration	\$4,868.98	01.10%	\$4,060.00	03.0%
	Fundraising	\$14,285.00	3.30%	\$0.0	00.0%
	Covid 19 Relief	\$15,885.88	3.70%	—	—
	Learning Center	\$55,475.10	12.8%	—	—
	Race for the Light	\$56,586.14	13.1%	—	—
	University Scholarship	—	—	\$6,000.00	05.0%
	Gift Giving Program	—	—	\$4,385.00	04.0%

* Each fiscal year (FY) is from January 1st to December 31st of the respective year

DIRECTOR'S WORDS



Brian Mundackal
Executive Director



This past year was a challenging one for many, with the entire world around us struggling through the ripple effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Even in the midst of suffering and grief, we saw common men and women emerge as heroes to support their communities. Lumen Vitae's story was not any different. While the spread of COVID-19 was limited in Haiti, the country had its share of calamities in the form of political unrest and the resulting violence, which in turn triggered unprecedented inflation in the country.

“Race for the Light,” Lumen Vitae's campaign to provide a year's supply of food for 500 families of our students, was our effort in a small way, but our donors and volunteers surprised us by meeting the entire goal in a month. This fundraising was another instance of heroes rising to the occasion to

demonstrate their love and care for our suffering brothers and sisters in Haiti.

Inspired by the trust and support of our donors, Lumen Vitae is marching forward by doubling the number of education sponsorships this year to 1,200 total.

Our staff and volunteers are excited to undertake this expanded project and drive it to success. On behalf of the entire organization, I would like to express my deepest gratitude for the commitment and generosity of our donors and corporate sponsors who make our vision possible! I invite you to learn more about our work and participate in this campaign to share goodness and bring “abundant life” to every child, especially the ones in our communities in Haiti.

Thank you!



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