



The Liberian Orphanage/Humanitarian Projects, Inc.

**“Creating Avenues to
Remove the Stain of Shame,
Restore Dignity, and
Rediscover the Wealth of Treasure
in Humanity in Liberia, West Africa
and
other Underserved People around the World!”**

Annual Report for 2022

Words from the Founder



It gives me great pleasure to report another year of amazing accomplishments. We now exceed a decade since the birth of this faith-based Federally recognized 501(c) (3) public charity humanitarian organization. Amazingly, the establishment of this organization actually continued and expanded a work that I started in 1990 after visiting Liberia, West Africa and seeing extreme poverty, suffering and hopelessness of the average Liberian first hand. This experience catapulted me into action to somehow help the poorest of the poor escape the realities of their conditions. And, that is what we continue to do!

I am proud to say that the provision of services through meeting our goals and project objectives has resulted in life-changing interventions which caused many who were destitute and without hope to now be empowered for a brighter future. They are now productive members of their society ready to contribute to the betterment of Liberia.

With gratitude and great appreciation of our donors, sponsors and volunteers, I present our Annual Report for **2022**.

Mrs. Sharon Loving Ruff

Our Vision Through Projects and Initiatives

The mission of LO/HP, Inc. is to significantly impact the lives of orphaned, abandoned, abused, neglected and underprivileged children, youth, teens and young adults in Liberia, West Africa and to engage in humanitarian, educational, agricultural, and medical initiatives that will improve the quality of life for disadvantaged and special needs individuals in Liberia and other parts of the world. The primary source of funding has been donations, pledges from individuals and religious organizations. Partnerships with other humanitarian non-profit organizations has helped bridge the gap where funding was scarce. The generous donation of goods and services, including printing, technology, educational material, medical supplies, critical humanitarian aid items and shipping costs for our Operation Blessing 40-foot containers has come from businesses, organizations, schools and various religious groups that have played a major role in the success of LO/HP, Inc. efforts. Assistance has also come from international sources as we continue to highlight the plight of the impoverished Liberians.

Since our inception, LO/HP, Inc. has been staffed by all volunteers. Our humanitarian projects and initiatives have helped thousands, relieved suffering of untold multitudes, changed lives, provided tools of success, birthed hope and otherwise improved the life of those most in need who, in most instances, had no one else to help them. Our current and planned efforts are:

- **Orphanage/Child Welfare Homes Project** – Provides grants to orphanages/child welfare homes for food, clothing, education, personal hygiene, medical assistance, furnishings, staffing, renovation, construction, clean water, and sanitation projects.
- **Humanitarian Project** — Provides grants to destitute children, teens, adults and senior citizens for emergency food, medical care, housing and small renovation/construction projects, and provides the needy with humanitarian aid relief items: clothing, shoes, personal care, household items, educational material, etc. free of charge through our Operation Blessing Project.
- **Educational Enrichment Project** — Provides educational grants to impoverished children, youth and young adults for tuition assistance, uniforms, and school supplies for grades K-1 through 12th; to construct, renovate and equip (includes books, satellite systems, computers, furnishings, etc.) educational facilities; and, to create alternative education programs.
- **College / Higher Learning Project** — Provides grants to disadvantaged adults for college scholarships and higher learning programs, such as medical/ dental/ nursing skills, computer, vocational, agricultural and other training streams with opportunities for educational travel, internships and foreign exchange positions throughout the world.
- **The Blind and Visually Impaired Project** - Provides monthly subsidy grants to Blind and severely visually impaired individuals and married couples for food, clothing, housing, medical care and educational needs as part of our “*Seeing Hearts Project*”.

FUTURE PROJECT:

- **Agricultural/ Farming/Husbandry Project** – Will provide seeds, plants, animals, agricultural/farming tools, vehicles, and machinery for small scale farming in underdeveloped areas. Provide training on best practice methods to help alleviate hunger.

A snapshot of accomplishments since our inception in 2009 reveals LO/HP, Inc. has --

- Raised over **\$426,299US** for our projects and services, without significant deductions from donations for salaries or large administrative overhead costs;
- Provided financial sponsorship to four orphanages: The Salvation in Christ Orphanage and Humanitarian Refugee Home, Inc.; Lofa Congo Orphanage Mission; Hebron Homes for Abused,

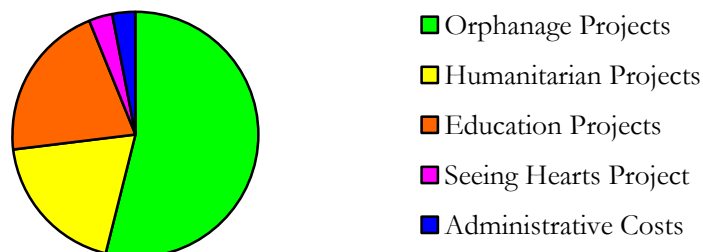
Abandoned & Orphanage Children; D.E.D. Children's Center; and, Mother Comfort's Daycare Center;

- Built several structures, including a two-story brick building which houses The Eliza Neufville Memorial Academy's (ENMA) elementary and middle school students;
- Provided scholarships to private elementary, junior high and high schools for children living in orphanages/child welfare homes and in impoverished communities;
- Provided scholarships to higher learning institutions: technology, electrical, computer training, auto mechanic, nursing skills, nursing programs, colleges, and universities;
- Provided education scholarships for single-family households (to individuals who are not in orphanages/child welfare homes) where the parents/guardians cannot afford to send their children to school;
- Received thousands of donated man-hours by our wonderful all volunteer LO/HP, Inc. staff, our web-designers, Karen Clay LLC [clay consulting.com] and to Wayne Ross [RCSR] who provides technology repairs/training;
- Provided grants for emergency medical care for seniors and the underprivileged;
- Provided monthly living grants to the Blind since 2004 in our Seeing Hearts Project;
- Provided grants for food, medicine and medical surgeries for the poor in rural villages; and,
- Sent and distributed free-of-charge thousands of items: clothing, shoes, bedding, household utensils, coats/jackets, books and educational supplies, recreational items, humanitarian aid, hygiene items, bicycles, handicapped and special aides for the Blind to the poorest of the poor in urban and rural areas of Liberia through two 40-foot containers, as part of our Operation Blessing Projects. Medicine and medical supplies were also donated to a local clinic valued at \$10,000US.

2022 Annual Report Highlights

With overwhelming gratitude, we received **\$49,018US** in donations which was almost doubled our average annual donation level. While we experienced a slight decline in donations from last year where we exceeded \$50,000US, we maintained all our projects and meet 2022 objectives. The generosity of many compassionate individuals, businesses and churches to our various appeals and the integrity of those who administer our projects in Liberia are the key to our successful endeavors. And, once again, we are pleased to report that 97% of all donations went directly to the provision of projects and services to benefit the poorest of the poor. Additionally, this is another year where special thanks is given to those who provide free office space, office supplies and paid for many months of storage for our Operation Blessing Project items we sent to our Liberian projects for distribution free of charge.

2022 Project Percentages

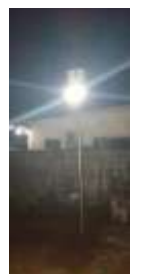


Accomplishments

Orphanage/Child Welfare Homes Project:

Through this year's donations, we were able to provide **\$25,825US** or the equivalent of **\$3,977,050 Liberian Dollars** to this project to meet our Standards of Orphanage/Child Welfare Home Care. Of this amount, **\$4,344US** was used in orphanage construction/renovation projects. We provided:

- Annual salaries for full time and stipends for part-time staff: two administrative positions, four care-givers, one cook, one nurse, four part-time helpers, and four security personnel for the Salvation in Christ Orphanage and Humanitarian Refuge Home, Inc. on Pipeline Road in the Paynesville community;
- Over 40,000 delicious nutritionally balanced meals which consisted of various fruit, fresh and dried meats or fish, vegetables, rice & beverages for daily meals;
- Funding for monthly trash pick-up and for bathing soap, toilet paper, washing powder, lotions, toothpaste and other basic necessities, and coal for daily cooking;
- Kitchen furnishings, benches, pots and pans, bowls and eating utensils;
- Clothing, undergarments, shoes, sandals, toiletries and other basic necessity items;
- Scholarships covering tuition, school fees, uniforms and schools supplies;
- Regular chlorination, maintenance and repair to the water well to provide safe drinking water;
- Bunk beds, mattresses, linen and other household items;
- Ceramic tiles in kitchen building upgrade;
- Maintenance of the solar panel system to provide 24-hours electrical power;
- Maintenance to the septic tank;
- Exterior solar powered night security lights and ceiling fans;
- Renovations on three facilities included window screens, mosquito nets, bathroom upgrades, repair/replacement of kitchen equipment and painting projects for interior and exteriors areas;
- Medical prevention, treatments and medications for residents and staff; and,
- Other small construction/renovation projects.



One resident describes their new life at the SIC Orphanage and Humanitarian Refuge Home this way, "We have everything a child needs to be happy; delivered with love!"



Humanitarian Project:

This year's donations allowed us to give **\$9,327US** or the equivalent of **\$1,436,358 Liberian Dollars** to humanitarian efforts which significantly improved quality of life. As such, we provided:

- Monthly grants and requested humanitarian aid to senior citizens, impoverished individuals and to the handicapped for food assistance and other necessities;
- Grants to unwed mothers to provide rental assistance, food, school tuition to finish high school and higher learning/skill training, medical care and other needs for their families;
- Medical care and emergency food distributions for individuals and families in the Paynesville community and in remote villages;
- Paid storage fees to house over a thousand relief boxes of education and humanitarian aid for shipment to Liberia as part of our Operation Blessing Project;
- Distribution of emergency food and other provisions to families in rural villages; and,
- Distribution of rice and other food items to rural villagers during the Christmas Holiday season.

These Received –

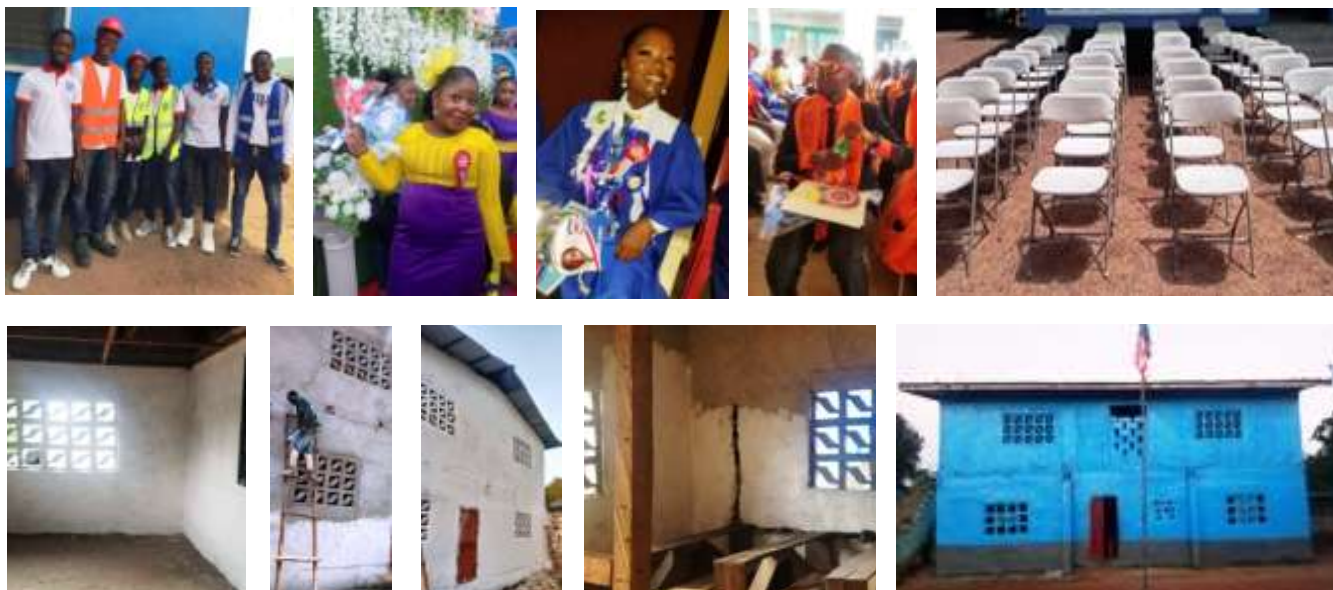


Educational Enrichment Project:

Donations allowed us to invest **\$10,352US** or the equivalent of **\$1,594,208 Liberian Dollars** in educational opportunities. Of these funds, **\$2,216US** was used for construction/renovation of the Eliza Neufville Memorial Academic school building and \$6,319US was used to open doors of access to education through grants for tuition fees, uniforms, school supplies, and transportation for high school

students and twelve scholarships for those attending vocational schools, seminary and college. We celebrate these life changing grants which provided the following:

- Roofing zinc, painting, electrical upgrades and classroom partitioning for the ENMA School building;
- Gym uniforms for ENMA students whose parents weren't able to afford them;
- Scholarships for two seniors in high school;
- Scholarship for a junior high school student and monthly subsistence grant;
- A scholarship for graduation fees to a senior for the Nursing Aide Program at Stockton Creek Medical School of Health Sciences;
- A scholarship for tuition and project fees to a student for the Christ Embassy Vocational Training Center for a interior decorating course;
- A scholarship for tuition to a student for the Monrovia Bible Training College.
- Six scholarships for tuition fees, uniforms/helmets, security shoes, books, and daily transportation for the Monrovia Vocational Training Center for an 18-month vocational training course; and,
- Uniforms, shoes, school supplies and transportation for all LO/HP, Inc. recipients.



The Blind and Visually Impaired Project:



Donations to our Blind and Visually Impaired Project otherwise known as our “*Seeing Hearts Project*” totaled **\$1,657US** or the equivalent of **\$255,024 Liberian Dollars** which financed:

- Monthly subsidy grants to Blind individuals to provide basic needs for the Blind and their families in a country where there is no monthly public welfare program -- food stamps, housing assistance or medical care -- for the Blind.

- Grants for holiday food and money to purchase clothing and other necessities for their families.



The Blind and their families express heartfelt gratitude our financial assistance since 2004 which has also allowed them to send their seeing children to school, support their own education goals and to purchase land on which they have built their homes. An expansion of the number of grants to the Blind and visually impaired individuals continues to be our heartfelt desire.



**A Very Special Thank You to Our Volunteers,
Willing Workers, Donors, Partners and Sponsors!**



On behalf of the poor in Liberia, West Africa and around the world who continue to benefit from our projects and services, I humbly extend a heartfelt “thank you” to everyone who donated their talents, skills, items, or made a financial contribution this year. Your many prayers and acts of compassion towards the needs ensure the continuation of our projects. A very special thanks to COSTCO (Brandywine, MD) for donations, and to our partners: Chat & Chew Ministries (Evangelist Vera Peters, Bowie, MD); God’s Distribution Center (Mrs. Beverly Jones, Clinton, MD); Grace Tabernacle...A Way of Holiness (Pastor John D. Ruff, DC/MD; Hemingway Temple A.M.E. Church (Rev. Thann Young, Washington, D.C.); In His Steps World Outreach Ministries (Pastor Momolu Freeman, Charlotte, NC); Liberty Outreach Church (Pastor Randy Collins, Syracuse, NY); More Than Conquerors Ministry (Pastor Anthony Conley, Lanham, MD); and, to Praise and Fellowship COGIC (Pastor Robert Valentine, Washington, D.C.) for their generous giving to our many appeals throughout the year.

Words cannot adequately express the change I have witnessed in the lives of so many, truly a thousand humble thanks for **Helping Us...Help Them!** Because of you, these impoverished individuals know, for certain, that someone cares enough about their plight to extend a helping hand of provision and to help open doors of opportunity wherein they and their families can escape extreme poverty and hopelessness.

Those of us living in developed nations are so blessed with having numerous opportunities to reach our goals and objectives in life. No such reality is available for the suffering poor in developing nations unless people like us get involved in tangible ways.

Let us continue the work! The Mission Has Not Changed —

Multitudes from Liberia's urban cities to rural villages dream of somehow finding a way to escape a life of poverty, suffering and hopelessness. The harsh realities are that most find no way of altering their merger existence for themselves or their families and are simply trapped into daily despair.

The rewards of helping people in such terrible conditions are immeasurable. How does one measure the value of a changed life -- from poverty to provision, from sickness to health, from illiteracy to educated, from being scorned to being admired, from feeling shame and self-pity to having self-confidence and pride in oneself? Then too, imagine the explosion of emotions, after being rescued from such devastating impoverished conditions to awakening to a new reality that there has been "*hidden untapped treasures*" deep within them "*all the time.*" One must have walked in their shoes and lived the life of prolonged suffering to even begin to answer such questions and to earnestly appreciate being guided through open doors of possibilities where dignity, self-respect and prosperity awaits them. We have seen it happen over and over again, as we have placed our hands in theirs!

We are grateful for everyone that supports LO/HP, Inc. as we change lives one person at a time. We celebrate our years of provision and look forward to greater accomplishments this coming year!

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If you will

Help Us...Help Them

Help, they so desperately need, will be on the way!

Dreams, they have of a better life, will come true!

Lives, once trapped in hopelessness, will have a way of escape!

Mrs. Sharon Loving Ruff

Founder/CEO