

STREET KIDS' FUNDS (SKF)

Mid-Year Report-2021

Street Kids Funds (SKF) is a registered 501c3 nonprofit organization based in California, USA. Tax ID #82-1891756. SKF management consists of Board Members, Advisory Committee, Center Staff and Student Volunteers. SKF has 100% financial transparency on how funds are disbursed for the operational management of its Educational Grooming & Learning Center and the Raising Star Scholarship Program.



The mission of Street Kids Funds (SKF) is **NOT** to build another school! **BUT** to create learning centers for children with **NO** schooling living in slums and poor communities. SKF's Learning Center enrolls children ages 4 years to 12 years, provides them free of cost primary level education, prepares the kids to successfully transition and get admission into mainstream public and private primary school system. At the start of the academic year selected 2 to 3 children will transition from SKF center, and full

educational scholarship will be provided to them.

Start of Academic Year 2021

On **January 9th**, **2021**, SKF center began its academic year for 2021. All 23 SKF children received new uniforms, shoes, caps, socks, scarfs, tie, bags, and stationary. SKF center was decorated with colorful educational wall posters, new window curtains and a new floor carpet for the religious class for children to sit was added.







But due to the increase of COVID cases in the province, SKF Educational Center had to shut down. It was finally on **February 9th** that SKF children returned into their classrooms, following strict health and hygiene safety protocols for in classroom learning.

Face masks was provided to each child, their hands and shoes sanitized when they entered the center, and each child sat at a distance in the classroom.

In mid-February Punjab Primary and Secondary Healthcare Department (P&SHD) started the "*Typhoid Vaccination Drive*" in the province. Typhoid is a highly contagious disease, and it spreads more quickly and easily in areas where people are living in crowded neighborhoods with weak water and sanitation infrastructure. Because SKF children belong and live in such neighborhoods, on **February 16th**, **2021** SKF staff arranged to have authorized personnel vaccinate SKF children with the <u>Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine (TCV)</u> at SKF's center.



SKF Anniversary Celebrations

SKF Educational Grooming and Learning Center celebrated its 3-year anniversary on **March 2nd**. To date nearly 36 out of school children have been enrolled and groomed at SKF Educational Grooming & Learning Center since it started in March 2018. In total over a period of 3 years, 14 children could not continue their education and had to leave the SKF center. Main reason was the

family moved back to their village or to another slum dwelling which made it difficult for the child to attend SKF center and continue their education.







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SKF IS 3 YEARS OLD TODAY MARCH 2ND. THE SEED PLANTED FOR AN EDUCATIONAL GROOMING CENTER FOR THESE FORGOTTEN OUT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN IS GROWING!!!!

At SKF's anniversary celebration, the staff arranged an outdoor party for the children. There was a cake cutting ceremony, children played games, sang happy songs, and all the children along with the staff had a fun day.













SKF teaching emphasis is on learning to be both educational and fun. Children are taught from prescribed provincial primary level syllabus and get to enjoy extracurricular class activities too. Children are encouraged to highlight both their creative talents and their physical talents i.e., painting, drawing, and playing different sports.



On March 15th SKF Educational Grooming Center held "SKF Annual Spring Sports Day". Children had a fun day playing different sport games outdoors. A pizza party was arranged for the kids at the end of the day.







The yearlong ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has caused much distress for many families, especially for those living in poverty around the world. Business closing, job losses, medical expenses, and overall anxiety of uncertainty has affected so many. Due to an increase of Covid cases, in Punjab province, it was decided that all educational institutes will close for early March break starting from **March 16**th **to March 28**th. With long school closures it has made it exceedingly difficult for children living in poverty to remain motivated and be able to continue their educational learning at home. SKF remained active in providing financial and educational support to all its 22 children and their families. SKF teaching staff prepared homework assignments for the children to study at home while the center remained closed. The covid pandemic kept on increasing and educational centers in Punjab province could not reopen on March 28th after the March break and remained closed till further order.

With Ramadan starting from April 13th, like the previous years, SKF launched its "SKF 2021 Ramadan Drive" in the Bay Area CA in **early April**. SKF's membership & donation collection platform "Event Plus" https://streetkidsfunds.com/donate-now/ was officially launched. With the

help of SKF's board members circle of family & friends, and organizational matching programs nearly \$20k was collected during the month-long fundraising drive.

On **April 4th** *Ramadan Food Ration Packets* was distributed to 22 SKF children's families in Multan, consisting of flour, oil, tea, lentils, tea, sugar etc.





As part of the ongoing *SKF* 2021 Ramadan Food Ration on **April 28**th SKF volunteer team members distributed food packets and face masks to 10 families living in Chak # 217, district Faisalabad, Pakistan.







SKF Eid Celebrations

Because of the ongoing Covid pandemic and center closure, Eid Day party at the SKF center for the children could not be held. Therefore, in the first week of **May**, SKF center staff invited each child to come with their mothers to collect their Eid packet. All the SKF children received new shalwar suits in different colors and designs.





Renovations at SKF's Learning Center

During the pandemic closure in late **May and early June** the SKF Learning Center underwent a new look. The classroom walls and doors got freshly painted. The walls in the two classrooms got painted with colorful alphabet and jungle theme, a colorful children



room carpet, new brighter tube lights were installed, new curtains for the windows and bookshelves and toys for the children was added.



A laptop and a projector were installed in one of the classrooms for children to benefit from world class online learning sitting in their classroom. An air cooler to keep the classroom cool while children are at the center during the summer months was also purchased.





Finally, SKF center reopened on **June 8**th after being closed since March 15th on account of the rise of the covid pandemic in the Punjab province. In-classroom learning in small groups was allowed. SKF children were divided in two groups to attend in class learning on alternate days.





Progress Report for SKF Raising Star Scholarship Program 2020-2021



The two SKF children Ms. Hoor ul Ain and Master Syed Zahoor that had succeeded in getting admission at FG Public School, Multan for the session 2020-2021 in September 2020 as part of "SKF Raising Start Scholarship program", showed excellent progress in their studies. **In June** Master Syed Zahoor a student at FG Public School for Boys got promoted from class 4th to class 5th based on his exams. Ms. Hoor ul Ain was promoted to grade 6th at FG Public School for Girls. Both the students will be continuing as SKF Raising Stars, and SKF scholarship for their education for the academic year 2021-2022 will continue.

Work is in progress for the admission of 3 more SKF students to transition into FG Public School system as part of "SKF Raising Star Scholarship Program" for

the academic year 2021-2022.

Master Kamran Khan for 6th grade, Ms Savera for 5th grade and Ms Ujela for 5th grade.

SKF Board Member Visit To SKF Learning Center

On **June 26^{th,}** a get together was organized during Ms. Farah and her families visit to the SKF center. Ms. Farah met with the center in charge staff and the SKF children and their mother's.



The morning started with a breakfast party arranged for the children and their mother's.







Different activities were organized for the children. Ms. Farah' two sons (Hadi and Yahya) interacted with the children, teaching the kids how learning can be fun, playing different games and reading story books.

On **June 28**th SKF children and the staff joined to celebrate Ms. Farah's younger sons birthday at the SKF Center. All the children enjoyed the birthday celebrations.



On July 1st for one month summer holidays SKF center is closed to reopen in early August.

Stay tuned for Year End 2021 Annual Report in December 2021!!!

Thank you to all those who have supported SKF's work and made it possible to continue to make a difference in the lives of these and many other children the society left behind.

SKF EIN # 82-1891756. SKF donations are tax deductible and SKF will provide SKF receipts.

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