

A family for every child, in our lifetime

# 2020 ANNUAL REPORT







For all of us, 2020 was an unprecedented year. The global pandemic has been a time of great uncertainty. In a time of isolation and change, 2020 disrupted every facet of life both at home and abroad.

Still, as optimists, we always look for the possible gifts even in the middle of a crisis...and this year, we were presented with an unusual opportunity.

As Covid-19 hit the Indian states where we operate, the local governments ordered children be sent home from orphanages for safety reasons. When this happened, our work reuniting children with their families was suddenly turbo charged. What would have taken years to accomplish happened virtually overnight!

Now, as we strive to ensure that these children thrive in their new home settings and never return to institutional care, we are more committed to our goal than ever: A family for every child in our lifetime.

We know this has been a challenging year; it certainly has been challenging for us. As we close the books on 2020, I want to take a moment to thank everyone who continued to support Miracle Foundation throughout the uncertainty this past year presented. If the pandemic has taught us one thing, it's how much we all need each other and how much better life is together.

Thanks for standing with us.

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Leslie Beasley

CEO, Miracle Foundation



## Our Core Initiatives

In order to accomplish our goal of a family for every child, we work to:

#### Prevent children from entering the system in the first place.

Every day around the world, social workers, caregivers and government officials make decisions that impact millions of vulnerable children. Partnering with UNICEF, we provide highly specialized training and educational resources for these "boots on the ground" workers in the childcare ecosystem.

Through this collaboration, Miracle Foundation has trained 2300+ government officials and caregivers and partnered with community programs that identify and support at-risk children and vulnerable families long before child placement in an orphanage becomes a necessity.

#### Ensure that every child thrives.

All children are entitled to an education, nutrition, health and protection. Over the past twenty years, we have developed the proprietary Thrive Scale™ Methodology, based on the UN Rights of the Child, and using this we are currently working with close to 300 orphanages to improve the lives of more than 15,000 children.

The orphanages we directly support see a 47% increase in Thrive Scale™ scores and a 26% reunification of children with their families.

# Our Accomplishments





Delivered 400
tablets to children
to continue their
education





Provided rapid relief packages to more than 2,000 families in need during lockdown



Reunited 66% of children we support with family in 2020





Created a grant
initiative for youth
with lived experience
in care a chance to
make an impact
in their community





Awarded the prestigious Rockefeller Foundation grant bringing together 18 global thought leaders and 7 youth with lived experiences











## A Campaign of Connection

During the Covid lockdown that closed schools all across India, many of the children we support found themselves not only out of the classroom but disconnected from any remote learning opportunities as well. For so many without access to computers or smartphones, falling behind was the only option.

To ensure that every child in our care receives the learning they deserve, Miracle Foundation took action- funding and providing tablets with preloaded apps, educational materials, and wifi connection. This unique initiative reached into 400 vulnerable homes, helping to bridge the digital divide. So many generous supporters stepped forward to make this happen, and we were honored to help make the connection.











## A Place for Big Ideas

For more than 60 years, the Rockefeller **Foundation Bellagio Center in Northern** Italy has been hosting thought leaders from around the world, offering a beautiful space and enough time to turn big ideas into actions that can change the world.

Miracle Foundation was invited to host a historic discussion on the topic of child reunification and the best ways to ensure children thrive when returned to families. But this was no sterile panel of experts. Young people who grew up in orphanages or the foster care system worked alongside renowned thought leaders from a wide variety of sectors including social protection, disability, gender, early childhood development, education, youth, public policy and more.

The action items that resulted drew from the energy of youth and wisdom of experience, creating a bold framework to transform childcare systems and ensure that children never enter those systems in the first place.

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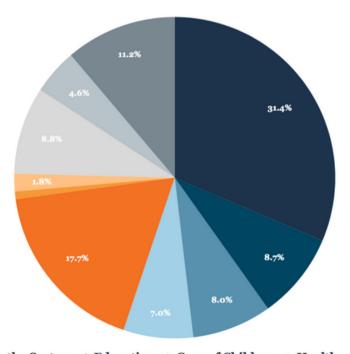
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We are supporting orphans to have a better quality of life while bringing about sustainable change that reduces the need for orphanages.



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