

## WHO WE ARE

Unbound is an international nonprofit founded by lay Catholics and grounded in the Gospel call to put the needs of the marginalized and vulnerable first. Since 1981, Unbound has built relationships of mutual respect and support that bridge cultural, religious and economic divides. All people of goodwill are invited to join Unbound's efforts.

## MISSION

Unbound's mission is to walk with the poor and marginalized of the world.

## PROGRAMS

Unbound connects people across economic, cultural, geographical and religious divides to live in solidarity and work toward a greater good through the following programs:

- **Child Sponsorship** - A sponsored child and their family receive financial support that helps them build their path out of poverty
- **Elder Sponsorship** - Breaks the cycle of isolation and provides steady support for older adults
- **Agents of Change** - Families identify local issues and are empowered to create community-led solutions
- **Mothers Groups** - Small groups of mothers meet regularly to leverage knowledge and individual skillsets
- **Scholarships** - Direct investment in students' goals and dreams to continue their education in either secondary school, vocational training or higher education
- **Global Classmates** - Students in the United States learn they can change the world — one child, one family, one community at a time

## 2022 QUICK FACTS

- **280,000 children, youth and elders** in Africa, Asia and Latin America served.
- **92% of Unbound's expenses go to program support.**
- **94% of Unbound sponsored individuals and their families receive their benefits through direct cash transfers** to individual bank accounts. The families determine use of funds to meet their needs and goals.
- Unbound is the **only major U.S.-based organization that offers sponsorship for elders.**
- **\$5.5 million in pandemic assistance** from the Critical Needs Fund and other sources provided in 2021.
- **\$3.3 million awarded in scholarships** in 2021 to help aspiring young adults pursue higher education.
- With more than 230,000 sponsors throughout the U.S., Unbound has **sponsors in every state.** We are happy to help journalists with **stories about local people** doing great things in the world.
- **A+ rating from CharityWatch, BBB Wise Giving Alliance's 20 rigorous standards** for charity accountability, and **top rankings from Charity Navigator, GuideStar and GreatNonprofits.**

## MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES

With more than 230,000 sponsors throughout the U.S., Unbound is happy to help connect media with stories about local people doing great things in the world. Unbound also has a network of subject matter experts that are available for interview on topics such as Global Development, Education and Child Development, Entrepreneurship, Disaster Response and Recovery, Elder Sponsorship, and Women's Empowerment, among others.

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