



School-in-a-Box

The Partnership

Every day, more than 25,000 children die from preventable causes. UNICEF will not rest until that number is zero.

With help from partners like Lions Clubs International, UNICEF provides children with the essentials they need to survive and thrive.

Believe in **zero**.

The Success

The Challenge

Support from Lions Clubs International for the School-in-a-Box program means that children all over the world have been able to continue their education following emergencies. Recent recipient countries include:

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| Angola | Iraq | Pakistan |
| Bhutan | Madagascar | Panama |
| Chad | Mali | Somalia |
| Eritrea | Mexico | Sudan |
| India | Myanmar | Uganda |
| Indonesia | Niger | Yemen |

"Our school was in the valley. It was washed away. I want to learn and build my life."

- Halima, 7, a student at a UNICEF-assisted temporary school in Pakistan provisioned with School-in-a-Box kits

For more information, contact Lions Clubs International. Email: children@lionsclubs.org

Or contact your local Lions club.

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How UNICEF and Lions Clubs are teaming up to keep children's minds strong and healthy when disaster suddenly disrupts their lives.



Children in Emergencies

In the wake of emergencies — whether violent conflicts, devastating earthquakes, or storms big enough to mow down entire villages — children desperately need a lifeline back to normalcy. They need help recovering from the trauma of all they've seen and experienced. They crave a renewed sense of security.

That's why UNICEF works so hard to restart children's schooling immediately following disasters. Apart from their health and well-being, education is one of UNICEF's top priorities for children whose lives have been upended. Back in the classroom, children get support from peers, the security of a steady routine, and a chance to express themselves. They can have access to critical trauma counseling, if necessary. And — most importantly — they can continue the education that will help give them a bright future.

But what happens when schools and learning supplies have been destroyed by cataclysmic events or left behind when families are forced to flee their homes?

An Instant Classroom

The idea is very simple: School-in-a-Box is a portable aluminum container stuffed to the brim with hundreds of implements and supplies that enable 40 children and a teacher to create an instant classroom — no matter where they are. Originally developed by education experts from UNICEF and UNESCO, School-in-a-Box has helped children learn in the toughest circumstances and the farthest corners of the globe.

The kits contain a variety of schooling and teaching tools including notebooks, pencils, tote bags, rulers, wooden blocks, posters, and in most cases even a wind-up solar radio. The large box-lids convert to blackboards. And kits are adapted to each region's specific needs and languages.

But beyond their obvious educational value, the kits provide children with a refuge from the chaos around them. In fact, when kits arrive and classes begin, children who have never gone to school often ask to attend class.

Lions & UNICEF

Since 1996, Lions Clubs International in the United States and abroad have raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for UNICEF's School-in-a-Box program — giving children in emergency situations around the world the chance to continue their education and begin the process of recovering from trauma.

After Hurricane Katrina destroyed much of the U.S. Gulf Coast in 2005, UNICEF and its partners — including Lions Clubs International — delivered more than 2,000 kits to the region, helping 160,000 children. Recent destinations for the kits have included Somalia, Papua New Guinea, and cyclone-ravaged Myanmar.

Each innovative School-in-a-Box kit costs just around \$233.



You Can Help . . .

Individual Lions, Lions clubs, Leo clubs, districts, or any concerned person who would like to donate toward the purchase of School-in-a-Box kits can make out their check/bank draft/money order (drawn on a U.S. bank) directly to the "Lions Clubs International Foundation" (please include "School-in-a-Box" notation on check). Donations are also accepted through the following credit cards: Visa®, Mastercard® and American Express®.

Please mail your donation directly to LCIF at:

**Lions Clubs International Foundation
300 W. 22nd Street
Oak Brook, IL 60523 USA**

For credit card donations, please call 630-468-6934 or use the attached reply form.

A donation of \$500 or more will qualify a club to receive a School-in-a-Box banner patch recognition. Clubs and districts will receive a chevron banner patch recognition for each subsequent annual donation of \$500 or more.



YES, I WANT TO HELP UNICEF AND LCI BUILD STRONG AND HEALTHY MINDS.

Name: _____
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**Lions Clubs International Foundation
300 W. 22nd Street
Oak Brook, IL 60523 USA**

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