



Child
OF Mine

Annual Report

2022

Child of Mine is a charitable society from Canada who partners with two children's homes in Northern India.

Our mission is to come alongside these homes and provide support for them as they carry out their vision of *equipping and raising future leaders to love and serve India*. We provide financial support for food, clothing, education, facility maintenance and construction, as well as staff salaries and development.

Children at the homes are typically from destitute backgrounds or from families that cannot financially support them. The atmosphere at each home is very much one of a large, loving and caring family, with the older children regarding the younger ones as siblings. And so, while the homes typically have close to two hundred children (ages 6+) in their care, many of the alumni still call these unique communities their family and remain closely connected.

Once children graduate from high school, Child of Mine continues to financially support them until they have completed their highest level of post-secondary education. Among the many graduates of the homes are teachers, nurses, chartered accountants, architects, and more.

The work of Child of Mine is funded by a number of generous organizations in Western Canada as well as 238 different individuals and families. We are so very grateful for their partnership.

We help support:



2 children's homes and schools



**142 School aged children:
74 female + 68 male**



**45 Post-secondary students:
24 female + 21 male**



14 New children who joined the homes in 2022



58 Staff and volunteers



A Note from the Director

2022 has been such an encouraging year for Child of Mine and we are so thankful for what God continues to do at the homes. Child of Mine continues to support 142 school-aged children, 58 staff members and 45 post-secondary education students, with a vision to raise the future leaders of Northern India. We see that vision being manifested with the graduation of the first PhD and several other grads of the homes working towards PhD's and master's degrees in various disciplines.

These and other grads are now demonstrating leadership by encouraging the children still in the homes of what is possible.

Here are just a few of the highlights.

- 1.** Child of Mine once again raised sufficient funds to meet our budgeted commitments leaving a surplus that allowed us to support several special projects and to begin to address some long-standing salary deficiencies for the staff in the homes. This could not be accomplished without you, our loyal partners. Please see the financial summary at the end of this report.
 - a.** Some of the surplus funds were used to move the kitchen into a safer temporary space as well as creating a much-needed office space where to older boys were previously housed.
 - b.** Staff salaries were also increased modestly in 2022 with the intent to provide further increases in 2023 provided sufficient funds are raised.
- 2.** 2022 saw the completion of the boy's dorm at Shanti Niketan. In the fall, three board members and the executive director visited the homes and were able to celebrate with a service of dedication. It was so great to be able to be back to the homes for the first time since the Covid 19 pandemic.
- 3.** Back in Canada Child of Mine organized two celebration events this last fall – one in Kelowna and one in Vancouver. It was so good to see so many of our partners as well as others who weren't familiar with Child of Mine

If you have any questions or comments, please contact us at info@childofmine.ca

Gary Falk
Child of Mine Director



A Child of Mine Story

Celebration Banquets

It was so wonderful to gather with old and new friends alike. We loved sharing all of the amazing stories that are happening at the homes and to see the vision of COM begin to come to fruition. The Lord is truly using the homes and COM to raise up the leaders of Northern India. And we know He will continue to do so. Thank you for being part of that!



Office Relocation/Reno at SNCH

For many years the Shanti Niketan home has desired to shift its office into a larger space as the conditions were very congested. With the recent completion of the boys dorm, space became available in the old big boys dorm for a new, permanent administrative office. The homes requested funding for some renovations to increase security, a few updates and water proofing for the roof. Because of your generosity in 2021, COM was able to use surplus funds to support this project. Thank you!



SNCH Kitchen Move

The kitchen at one of the children’s homes was in a very bad shape! The home needed to shift as soon as possible as the crack on the wall and floor grew wider and wider. The home decided to move temporarily to the old medium and junior boys’ dorm before it is too late but a lot of repair work was needed.

Since this building is older and not in great condition the work was done using a lot of old materials that are reusable. Some materials however, had to be purchased such as tiles for the washing area, cement, sand, plumbing, a few new tin sheets, etc. and labor charges for tile works.

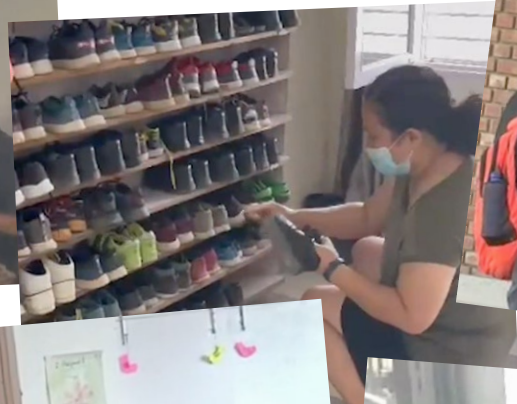
Child of Mine, thanks to your generosity, was able to cover this cost which was \$870 CAD. It took the home 2 months to prep and move into this new space. The home officially shifted their kitchen into this space and shared their first meal in it on February 24th! All of the girls, boys and staff ate a meal together and had a time of prayer and thanksgiving as they celebrated this space. Usually only the boys will eat here and the girls will continue to eat in their dining hall that is in their dorm as they have always done. That said, everyone will eat together here once a month when the homes celebrate the month’s birthdays!

The main concern with the old kitchen was the growing crack in the wall that was making the structure unstable and since there is cooking gas and fuel inside, the danger of the roof falling in was feeling very dangerous and so we’re very happy they have at least been able to make a quick move to this older building for now.



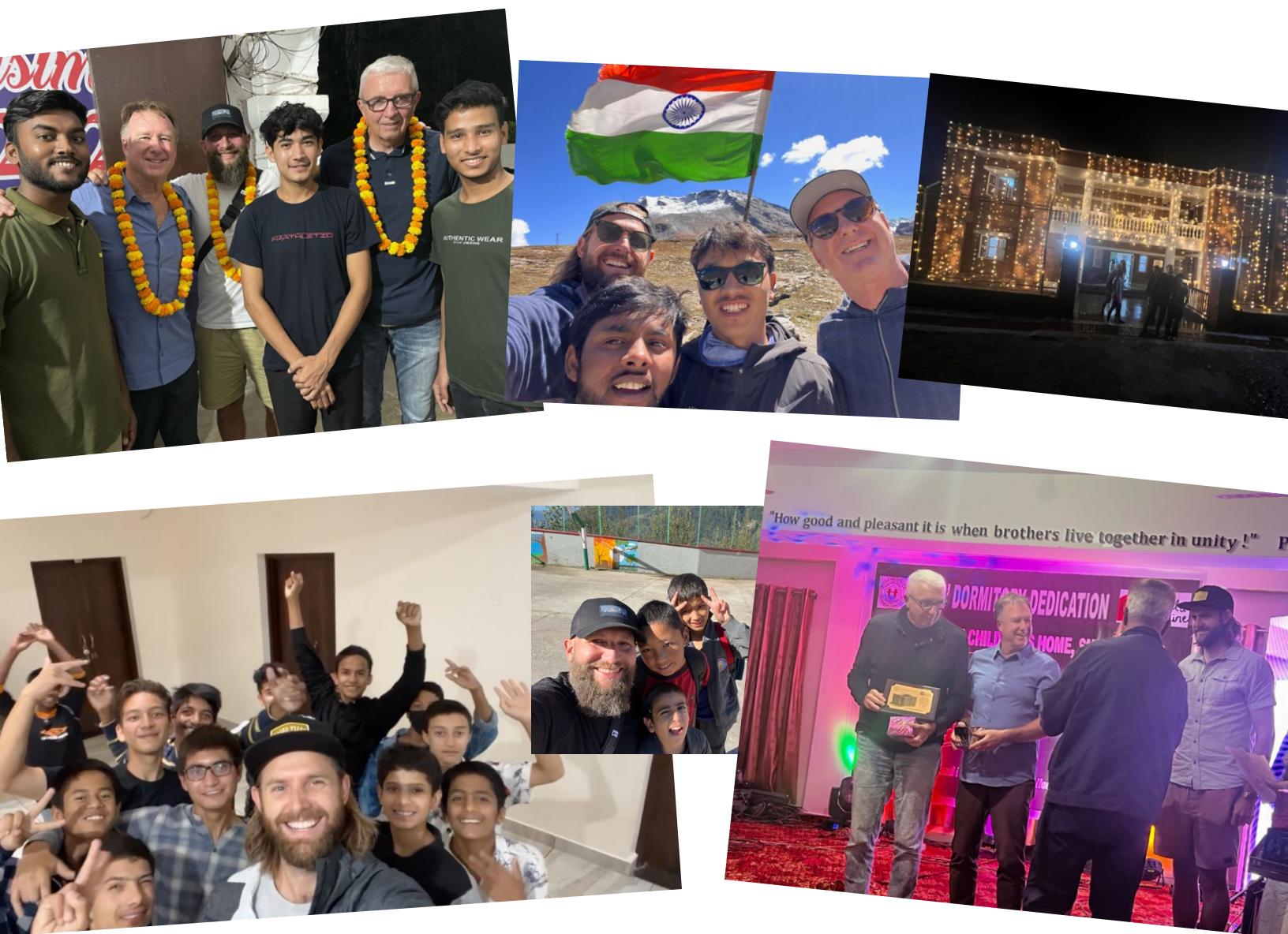
Staff Salaries

The homes are run by 58 incredible staff who serve in multifaceted roles as dorm parents, teachers, counselors, nurses, cooks, grounds keepers, drivers, etc. They manage every detail of life at the home and their on-site schools. In May 2022, COM was able to modestly increase staff salaries with the intent to provide further increases in 2023 provided sufficient funds are raised. We are so blessed by this incredible team of staff, and it is our intent to uphold them in their vital roles and pay them fair wages.



COM Leadership India Trip

In October of 2022, a small team made up of 3 COM board members and the executive director, travelled to the homes in India to connect with the staff and children. Being together in-person again was a huge source of encouragement and a blessing all around. The team was honored to be present for a special dedication service of the new boys dorm, met with leadership, and spent time in community with both homes.



Child of Mine Society

Fiscal Year 2022

2022 Income & Expense Statement for General Operations

Revenue	2022 Actual	2022 Budget	Variance Actual - Budget %	2021 Actual
Monthly Donations from individuals partners	\$143,464	\$145,000	99%	\$149,187
Donations from churches and other charities	\$83,689	\$77,200	108%	\$69,170
Corporate and one time donations	\$89,556	\$60,000	149%	\$72,253
Donations from fundraisers/ merchandise sales/ banquet ticket sales	\$10,939	\$12,650	86%	\$4,375
Total Revenue	\$327,648	\$294,850	111%	\$294,985

Expenses	2022 Actual	2022 Budget	Variance Actual - Budget %	2021 Actual
Direct Support to the Children's Homes	\$165,385	\$160,000	103%	\$154,843
Payroll Expense	\$66,503	\$62,400	107%	\$56,052
General Administration Expenses	\$67,668	\$72,450	93%	\$43,804
Total Operating Expenses	\$299,556	\$294,850	102%	\$254,699
Net Operating Surplus ¹	\$28,093			\$40,286

Notes

1. Child of Mine ended 2022 with a General Operations surplus. Operations Surplus will go to support increased staff salaries at the Homes as well as Post-Secondary Education.

Post Secondary Scholarship Fund	2022	2021
Opening Balance, January 1	\$46,495	\$31,941
Revenues		
Funds Received	\$62,570	\$42,787
Expenses		
Post Secondary Scholarships Granted	\$73,027	\$28,233
Operating Surplus	\$(10,457)	\$14,554
Fund Balance, December 31	\$36,038	\$46,495

Notes

2. A special donation was collected from SunRidge Church in Dec. 2022 for post-secondary education. Since this was not received until February, it will be applied to 2023.

Boys Dorm Project Fund	2022	2021
Opening Balance, January 1	\$23,517	\$226,351
Revenues		
Funds Received	-	\$143,999
Expenses		
Boys Dorm Project Spending	\$6,949	\$346,833
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	\$(6,949)	\$(202,834)
Fund Balance, December 31	\$16,568	\$23,517

Notes

3. The boy's dorm project is now completed. The last invoices was received in December 2022. Surplus funds will be moved to future construction projects in 2023 and beyond

Future Construction Project Fund	2022	2021
Opening Balance, January 1	-	-
Revenues		
Funds Received	\$10,000	-
Expenses		
Boys Dorm Project Spending	\$10,000	-
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for the year	\$10,000	-
Fund Balance, December 31	\$10,000	-

Notes

4. Child of Mine received a one time donation for future building project at the Shanti Niketan Children's Home

