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LETTER *from* THE BOARD

Dear BTF Community,

In our early days, we were just a handful of Turkish-American volunteers in North Carolina, moved by a profound realization in the wake of the 1999 Marmara earthquake. "Things weren't looking good for Türkiye," we thought often. "Someone had to do something." Then it hit us—we were the someone. And so, we made a decision to take action. That moment became the foundation of Bridge to Türkiye Fund.

What began as a heartfelt response to crisis quickly grew into a guiding belief: *change starts with us*. This simple truth has shaped our journey ever since, reminding us that meaningful impact begins when ordinary people choose to act with purpose and compassion.

That spirit —*change starts with us*— has been the heartbeat of Bridge to Türkiye Fund since our founding in 2003. What started as a small, local effort has grown into a vibrant global network. Today, BTF is a mature, mission-driven organization connecting thousands of donors across the world with communities in need throughout Türkiye. And yet, our focus remains as clear as ever — to break cycles of poverty and inequality by investing in education and opportunity.

Thanks to you —our generous, compassionate community— we continue to expand our impact year after year. In 2024, we are proud to support over 3,000 university students across Türkiye, many of whom are the first in their families to access higher education. These are students with immense talent and determination, but limited means. Your support gives them the chance to dream bigger, study harder, and build a better future.

Through your kindness, we are building bridges of hope — connecting donors, students, and teachers. Together, we champion educational equity, empower girls through access and opportunity, and uplift exceptional educators who are making a difference every day. In doing so, we are not just changing individual lives—we are nurturing leaders, transforming communities, and contributing to a brighter future for Türkiye.

As we reflect on this year's achievements and look toward what lies ahead, one thing remains certain: none of this would be possible without you. Thank you for standing with us — in purpose, in passion, and in hope.

Let's keep building. Let's keep believing — because change starts with us.

With heartfelt gratitude,



Emin Pamucak
President



Ela Eskinazi
Chairwoman



MISSION

At Bridge to Türkiye Fund, we connect communities worldwide for a brighter Türkiye— transforming goodwill into sustainable and impactful programs that improve lives. Our focus areas are **education**, the **health and wellbeing of youth**, **disaster management**, and **environmental sustainability**.

VISION

We envision a future where new generations in Türkiye thrive with **opportunity** and **resources**, supported by the **collective generosity** of the global community.



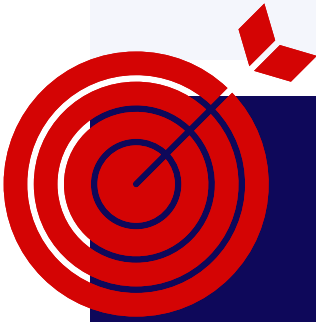


Transparency

Trust and accountability are the cornerstones of our work. At BTF, we operate with utmost transparency, openly sharing our decisions, actions, and measurable outcomes. We take responsibility for every step we take—ensuring our donors, partners, and communities can trust us to deliver on our promises with integrity and honesty.

Neutrality

Our mission is guided by the needs of Türkiye's future generations—free from external biases or influences. We act with impartiality and independence, ensuring every decision is rooted in fairness and focused solely on delivering meaningful support to those we serve.



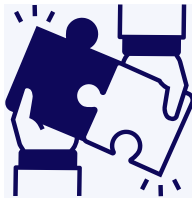
High impact and excellence

We are committed to delivering programs that create the greatest possible impact for Türkiye's communities. With a focus on excellence, we continuously raise the bar, optimize resources, and embrace innovation to achieve more with less. We don't just aspire to make a difference—we aim to always be better at getting better!



Donor-centricity

Our donors are at the heart of everything we do. We strive to exceed their expectations by listening to their needs, adapting to their feedback, and creating moments of joy through meaningful engagement. Together, we build impactful connections that inspire generosity and drive change.



Community, collaboration and humility

Grassroots communities are the backbone of our mission. By fostering collaboration and listening to local voices, we create a network of passionate supporters driving sustainable change from the ground up. We work with humility, knowing we don't have all the answers but can find solutions together. Through partnerships across borders and cultures, we amplify our collective impact.

Heartfelt Commitment

At BTF, our shared purpose is rooted in a deep desire to give back to Türkiye. With the genuine dedication from our volunteers and supporters, we stay steadfast in our mission to uplift Türkiye's future generations. Guided by compassion and authenticity, we strive to create lasting, positive change – for today and for generations to come.

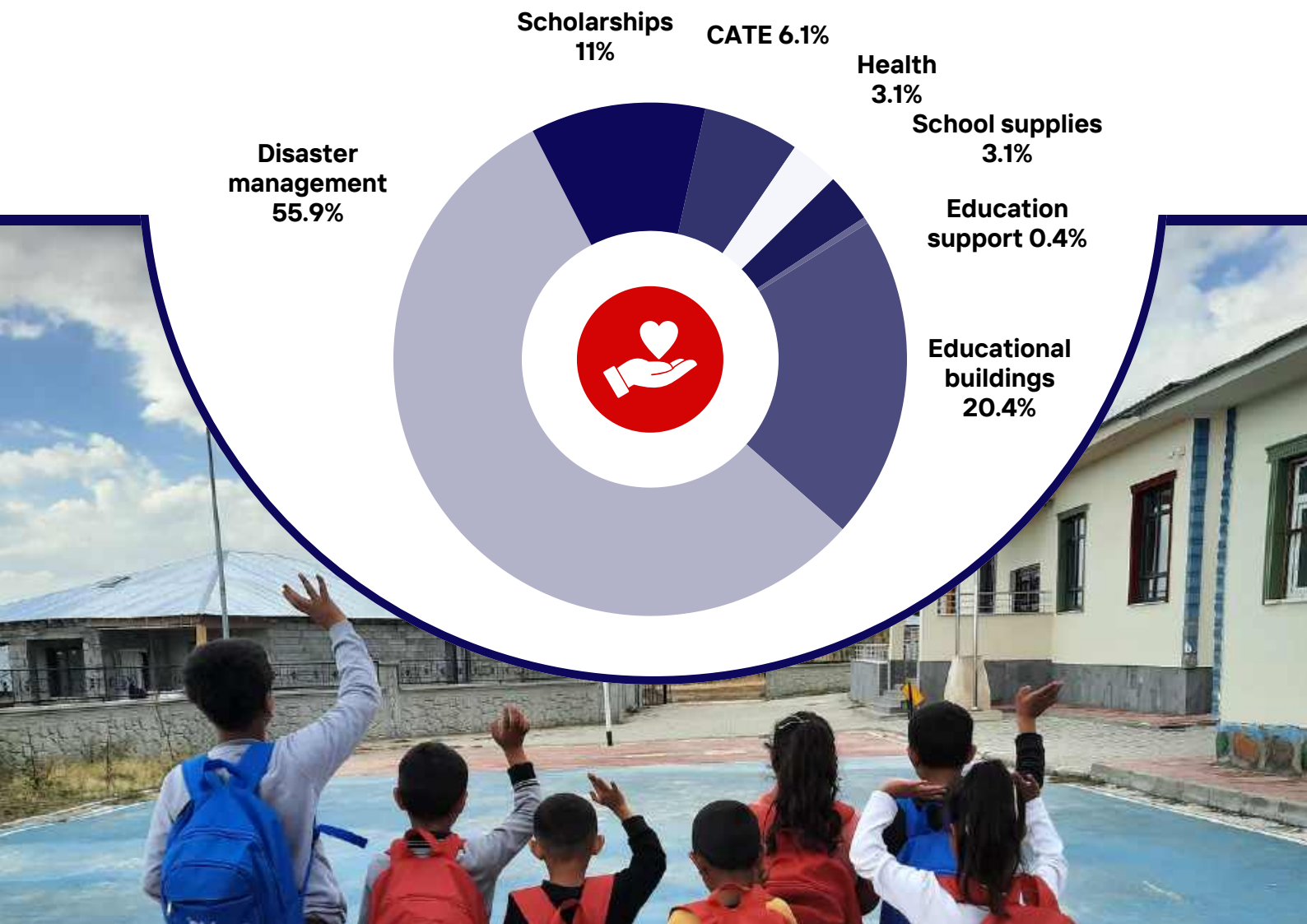


Our donors' trust and generosity make all this possible. Here's a snapshot of how your contributions have been put to work across each of our program areas.

To see our audited financials for 2024, click [here](#).

**The Disaster Management program has committed \$732,000 in scholarship funds to support students affected by the earthquake. Of this total, \$430,000 is allocated for the 2024–2025 academic year, and the associated scholarships will be included in the 2024-25 reporting period.*

Program area	Grants (\$)
Educational buildings	1.5 million
Disaster management *	4.3 million
Empowerment and Impact scholarships	0.8 million
Child Amputees of Türkiye Earthquakes (CATE)	0.4 million
Education support	0.3 million
School supplies	0.2 million
Health & wellbeing	0.2 million
TOTAL	\$7,745,648



Behind every number is a story of hope, opportunity, and change. Here are the highlights of the collective impact we've achieved together in 2024 – students reached, classrooms supported, and futures transformed. Thanks to your generosity and the dedication of our partners, these milestones reflect what's possible when a global community comes together for Türkiye's future.

253K+

empowered
rural students

3,152

annual scholarships
for K-12 and university
students in Türkiye

6

annual scholarships
for college and graduate
students in USA

53

projects supported
across Türkiye



📍 Hatay, Türkiye

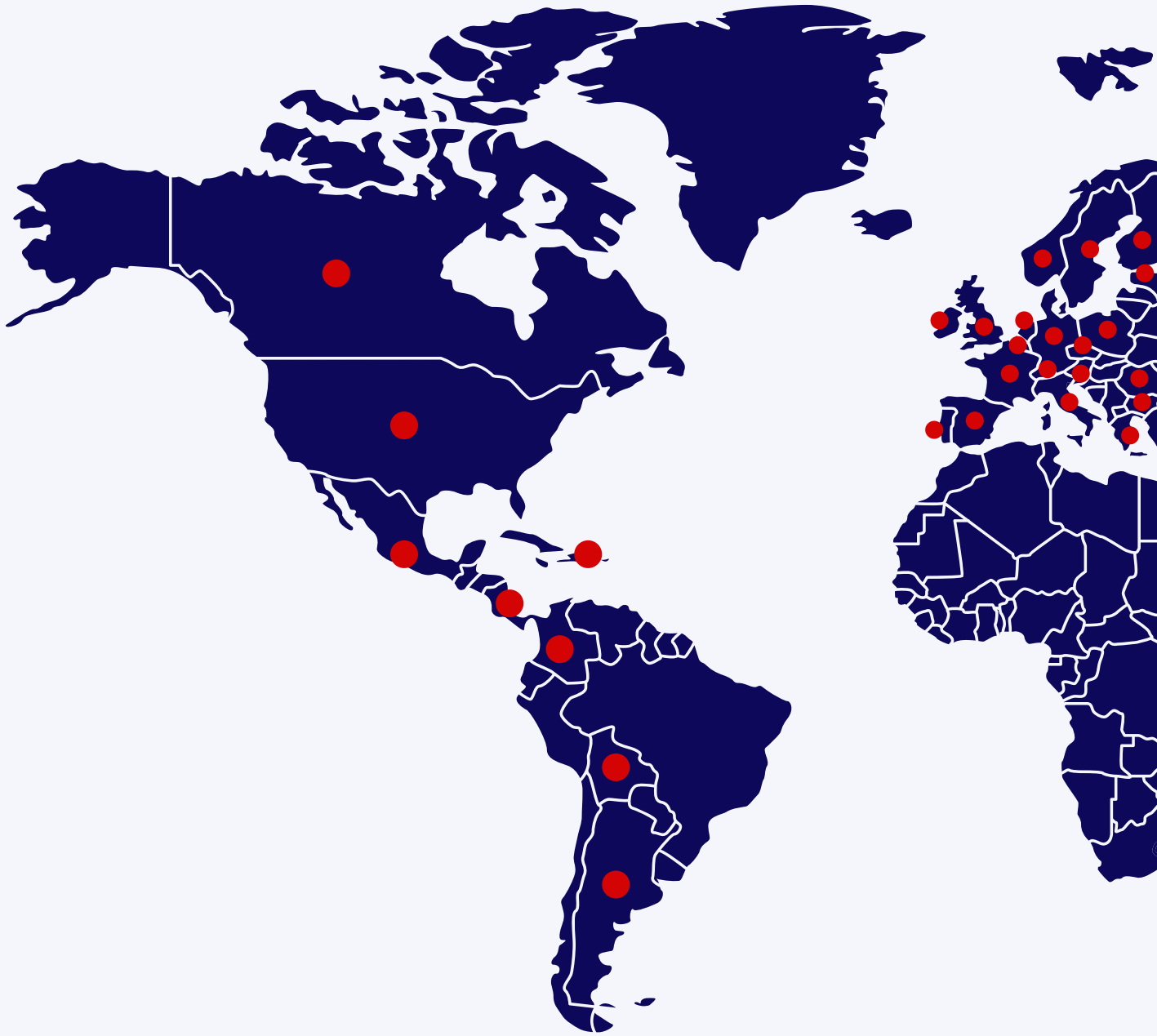
📍 Tekebaşı Preschool

📍 Hatay, Türkiye

✍ Konaklı Middle School



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45+
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DONATIONS

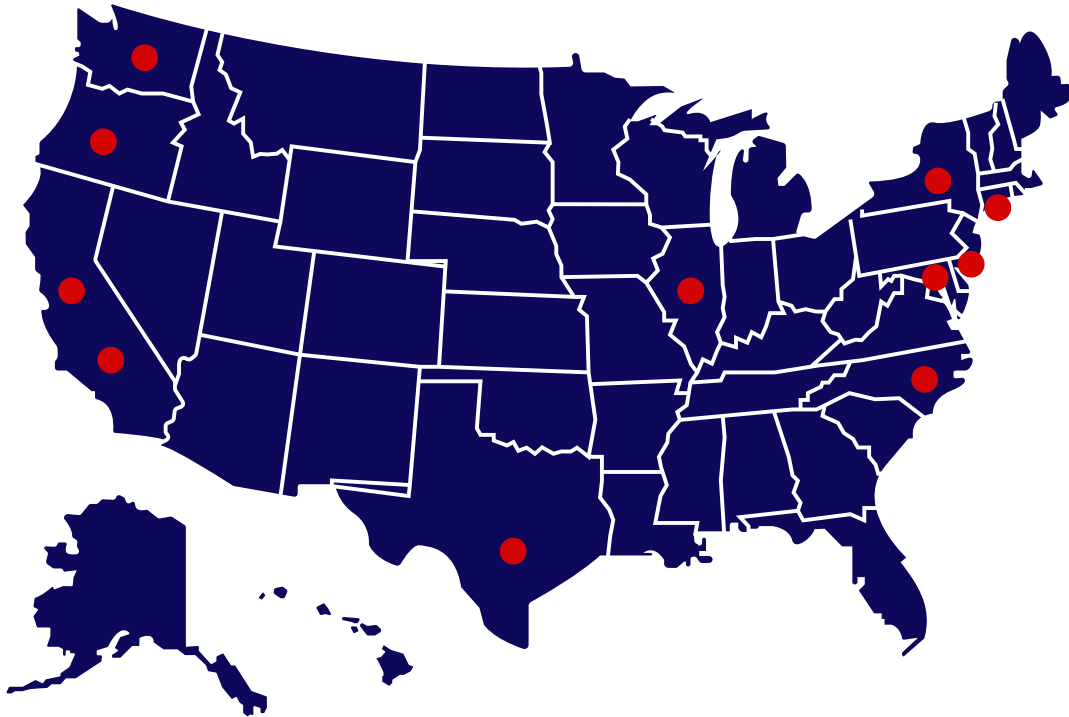
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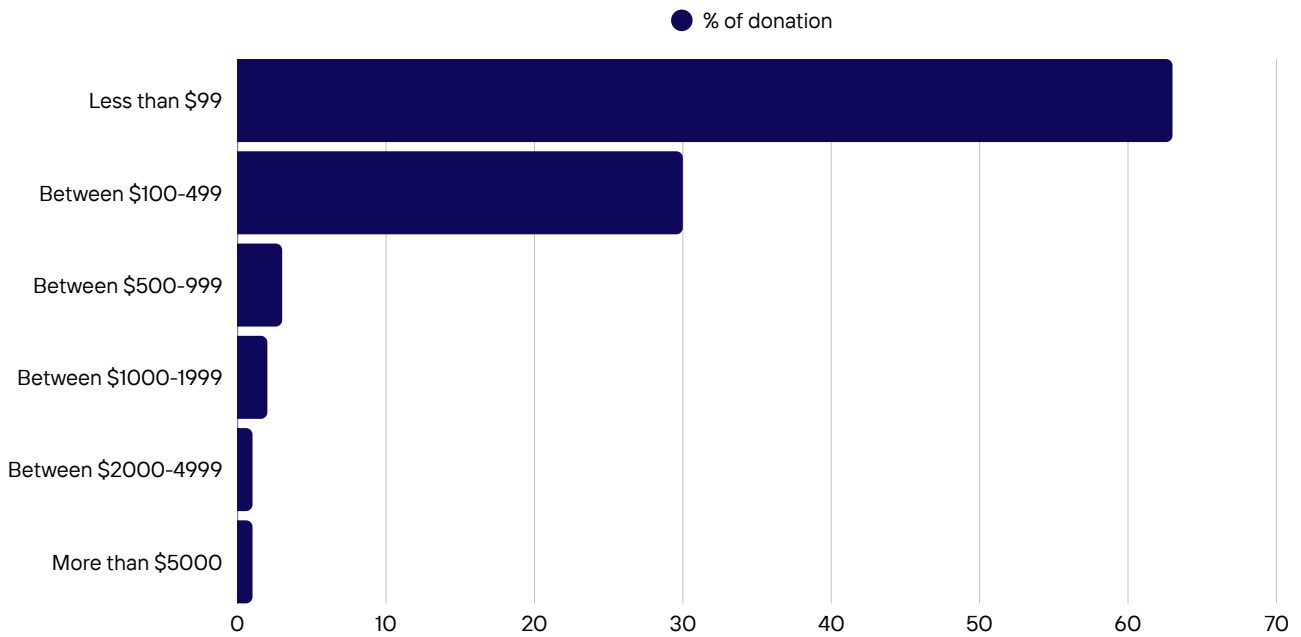
At BTF, our strength comes from the grassroots—people coming together, pooling their resources, and turning compassion into action. Our Giving Circles are the heart of this movement, uniting communities across the U.S. to make a difference in Türkiye. This page celebrates our top Giving Circles by state, showing the power of collective giving in action.



TOP 10 BTF GIVING CIRCLES BY DONATIONS



Every donation matters — and this chart proves it. From small, heartfelt gifts to larger contributions, it's the collective power of many that drives our mission forward. The majority of our impact is fueled by smaller donations, reflecting our deep roots in community-driven, grassroots giving. Together, these gifts add up to life-changing opportunities for Türkiye's future generations.







Every student deserves the opportunity to reach their full potential, regardless of financial barriers. At BTF, we believe that education is the key to a brighter future. That's why we provide need-based scholarships to high-achieving students across Türkiye, ensuring that financial hardship does not stand in the way of their dreams.



Empowerment Scholarships

1,899 students
20 partner organizations



Earthquake Scholarships

1,151 students
15 partner organizations



Impact Scholarships

6 students
6 partner organizations

TOTAL **3,056** annual scholarships
\$1,155,612 grants

Empowerment Scholarships

Powered by our trusted partner organizations, we're dedicated to unlocking opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students in Türkiye through our Empowerment Scholarships program. In 2024, we were able to support a total of **1,899** university students, in collaboration with **20** partners.

Partner	Total disbursed	No. of scholars
Çağdaş Yaşamı Destekleme Derneği (ÇYDD) / Association for Supporting Contemporary Life	\$332,810	1,083
İstanbul Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi Mezunları Derneği (ODTÜMİST) / Middle East Technical University (METU) Istanbul Alumni Association	\$114,360	200
Ahbap Association	\$50,841	75
Boğaziçi Üniversitesi Vakfı (BÜVAK) / Bosphorus University Foundation	\$28,600	70
Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi Mezunları Derneği (ODTÜMD) Ankara / Middle East Technical University (METU) Alumni Association Ankara Branch	\$27,415	60
İhsan Doğramacı Bilkent Üniversitesi Vakfı / İhsan Doğramacı Bilkent University Foundation	\$42,000	53
Türk Eğitim Derneği (TED) / Turkish Educational Foundation	\$22,962	50
İstanbul Kafkas Kültür Derneği (İKKD) / Istanbul Caucasus Cultural Center	\$9,375	30

Partner	Total disbursed	No. of scholars
Lokman Hekim Sağlık Vakfı / Lokman Hekim Healthcare Foundation	\$9,475	25
Kadın Hekimler Eğitime Destek Vakfı (KAHEV) Eskişehir / Turkish Female Physicians' Education Support Foundation Eskişehir Branch	\$12,289	25
Bornova Anadolu Lisesi Eğitim Vakfı (BALEV) / Bornova Anatolian High School Education Foundation	\$8,275	22
Darüşşafaka (DAÇKA)	\$12,235	20
Türkiye Korunmaya Muhtaç Çocuklar Vakfı (KORUNCUK) / Turkish Foundation for Children in Need of Protection	\$12,400	19
Bütün Çocuklar Bizim Derneği (BÇBD) / All Children Are Ours Association	\$10,595	15
PAYDA Association	\$5,340	10
Adana Soroptimist Kulübü / Soroptimist Türkiye Adana Branch	\$2,500	10
Ankara Ağin Kültür ve Dayanışma Derneği / Ankara Ağin Culture and Solidarity Foundation	\$1,875	10
TOTAL	\$785,479	1,899

Earthquake Scholarships

In the wake of Türkiye's devastating earthquakes, BTF launched the Earthquake Scholarship Program to stand with students whose education was disrupted by loss and hardship. Thanks to your support, we now provide annual scholarships to students across the 11 hardest-hit provinces — helping them stay in school, rebuild their futures, and carry hope forward. In 2024, we were able to support a total of **1,151** university students.

Partner	Total disbursed	No. of scholars
İstanbul Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi Mezunları Derneği (ODTÜMİST) / Middle East Technical University (METU) Istanbul Alumni Association	\$63,400	220
Kadın Hekimler Eğitime Destek Vakfı (KAHEV) - Eskişehir / Turkish Female Physicians' Education Support Foundation	*	165
Nesin Vakfı / Nesin Foundation	\$29,700	150
Ahbap Association	\$74,479	150
Türk Eğitim Derneği (TED) / Turkish Educational Foundation	\$32,807	150
Ali İsmail Korkmaz Vakfı (ALİKEV) / Ali İsmail Korkmaz Foundation	\$9,525	55
Eşit Gelecek Derneği / Equal Future Association	\$21,100	50
PAYDA Association	\$9,780	50
Türk Üniversiteli Kadınlar Derneği (TÜKD) / Graduate Women International Türkiye	\$10,725	48

* This grant was disbursed in 2023, however the scholars continued receiving their scholarships through 2024.

Partner	Total disbursed	No. of scholars
Buradayız Hatay Derneği / We Are Here Hatay Association	\$16,375	40
Izmir Yuksek Teknoloji Enstitusu Vakfi (İYTEV) / Izmir Institute of Technology Foundation	\$14,110	35
Kanserli Çocuklara Umut Vakfi (KAÇUV) / Hope Foundation for Children with Cancer	\$8,450	15
İlköğretim Okullarına Yardım Vakfı (İLKYAR) / Aid Foundation for Elementary Schools	\$0	12
Bütün Çocuklar Bizim Derneği (BÇBD) / All Children Are Ours Association	\$5,828	8
Türk Eğitim Vakfı (TEV) / Turkish Educational Foundation	\$0	3
TOTAL	\$296,279	1,151

* These grants were disbursed in 2023, however the scholars continued receiving their scholarships through 2024.



Impact Scholarships

BTF’s Impact Scholarship Program supports Türkiye’s brightest young minds as they take bold steps toward global education. Awarded to exceptional students who have earned admission to U.S. universities, these scholarships help remove financial barriers and open doors to new opportunities—empowering Türkiye’s future leaders to learn, grow, and make a difference on the world stage.

Partner	Total disbursed	No. of scholars
Berklee College School of Music	\$13,063	1
Bentley University	\$20,003	1
University of Chicago	\$9,964	1
Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)	\$1,875	1
University of Colorado Denver	\$25,564	1
Cornell University	\$3,385	1
TOTAL	\$73,854	6

“BTF was a solid source of hope for me at a time when I felt very discouraged. Thanks to BTF, I can now dream new dreams. I send my deepest thanks to the BTF community for helping me achieve my dreams and showing me that nothing is impossible if you do your best.”

Ada Canata, Berklee School of Music '26

Adopt A Classroom in Türkiye is a BTF-grown program designed to equip under-resourced schools throughout Türkiye with crucial educational supplies. By enhancing the classroom learning experience and improving teacher effectiveness, this program serves as a vital support system not only for students but also for educators.

Between 1 July 2023 and 30 June 2024, **\$227,000** was disbursed for distributing 406 sets of essential educational materials to rural schools, delivering 2,080 school bags and stationery sets to students, establishing two science laboratories in underserved communities, and providing 770 bilingual Turkish-English dictionaries to classrooms. Impacted provinces include **Adana, Adıyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Ağrı, Antalya, Aydın, Batman, Bursa, Çorum, Diyarbakır, Gaziantep, Hakkari, Hatay, İzmir, Kahramanmaraş, Kayseri, Kırşehir, Malatya, Manisa, Mardin, Muğla, Osmaniye, Sakarya, Samsun, Şanlıurfa, Siirt, Şırnak, Tokat, Yozgat, and Zonguldak.**



📍 Bursa, Türkiye

✍️ Çandarlı Elementary School

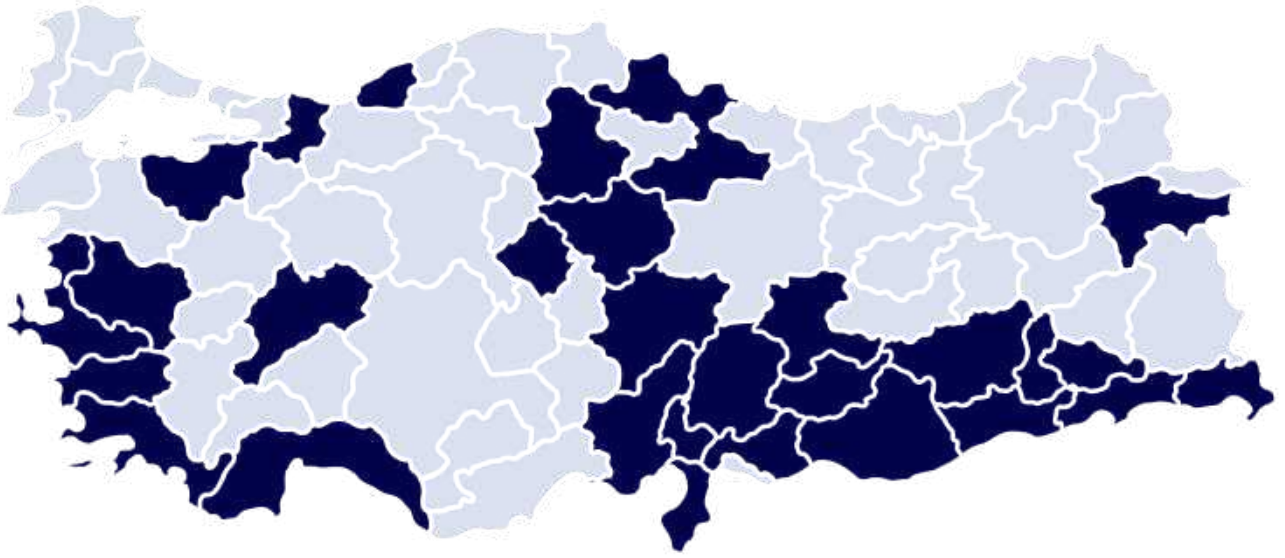


📍 Şırnak, Türkiye

✍️ Aşağıçeşme Elementary School

Adopt A Classroom in Türkiye 2024:

253,000+ empowered students in **30** provinces



📍 Hatay, Türkiye

✍ Mühendis Suphi Güzey Elementary School

Main projects

Ege University Dormitories Project (with Shipley Foundation): \$1.4 million for the construction of student dormitory with a capacity of 108 students. The establishment will serve 5,400 students over a period of 50 years.

Aid Foundation for Elementary Schools (İLKYAR): \$159,474 for the architectural, structural, mechanical, and electrical projects of the Science and Arts Village.

BTF Youth / Solar Futures Project: \$22,568 for solar panels were installed in the Serinyol El Ele Association's campus in Hatay to provide electricity for music and university prep classrooms.

Bütün Çocuklar Bizim Derneği (BÇBD) / All Children Are Ours Association: \$26,000 for building 2 robotic coding laboratories in Diyarbakır and İzmir

TOTAL IMPACT



38,000+
STUDENTS

EGE ÜNİVERSİTESİ ÇEŞME TURİZM FAKÜLTESİ SHIPLEY ALTINDAĞ KIZ ÖĞRENCİ YURDU





Main Projects

New Generation Village Institutes Association, Lüleburgaz Branch (YKKED Lüleburgaz): \$1,863.36 for the procurement of 20 mandolins and mandolin instruction lessons benefiting 60 students over three years at Village Institutes in Kırklareli.

Bir Dilek Yetmez Project: \$21,958.69 for organizing capacity-building workshops for teachers across Türkiye to enhance classroom effectiveness and student engagement.

TOTAL IMPACT



7,500+
STUDENTS

Main Projects

Partner or project	Description
Ahbap Association	\$1,500,000 for permanent housing for 27 families in Hatay, Adiyaman, and Gaziantep; \$298,000 for reconstructing Gülcihan Anatolian High School in Arsuz, Hatay; \$350,000 for reconstructing Hüseyin Özbuğday Middle School in Antakya, Hatay.
Anadolu Dayanışma Evleri Derneği (ADDER) / Anatolia Solidarity Homes Association	\$11,000 for capacity-building food production at Rihen Women's Cooperative in Samandağ, Hatay.
Biriz Dayanışma Derneği / Biriz Solidarity Association	\$16,130 for installing 10 drinking water dispensers in schools in Hatay.
BTF Chicago Circle Container Classroom Project	\$50,405 for installing and equipping 26 container classrooms in Hatay following the February 6, 2023 earthquakes.
BTF Laptops4Kids Project	\$55,689 for delivering 105 laptops to earthquake-affected students.
Bütün Çocuklar Bizim Derneği (BÇBD) / All Children Are Ours Association	\$12,000 for installing 2 water filter systems across 10 schools in Hatay.
Çocuklar Gülsün Diye Association (ÇGD)	\$80,000 for the construction of a kindergarten in Şanlıurfa.



 **Nurdağı, Gaziantep**

Disaster Response Innovation Program (DRIP) with NVIDIA

\$56,100 for disaster preparedness technology research by 8 Turkish academics based in Ankara, Istanbul, and Izmir.

Eymir Kültür Vakfı (EKV) / Eymir Culture Foundation

\$100,000 for the reconstruction of İskenderun Technical University's vocational school of higher education.

Habitat Association

\$33,500 for an accessible Community Center in the earthquake region, targeting children aged 12–16 and children with disabilities. The project provides education to 2,760 children and volunteer instructors over 12 months.

Hatay Arsuz State Hospital

\$148,372 for medical and surgical equipment benefiting over 3.5 million patients over 7 years.

House of Türkiye

\$55,000 for the construction of 3 units of permanent housing for earthquake survivors in Nurdağı, Gaziantep.

Kadın Hekimler Eğitime Destek Vakfı / Turkish Female Physicians' Education Support Foundation

\$3,000 for 30 stethoscopes that are distributed to medical students receiving KAHEV scholarships through the organization's Eskişehir Branch.



📍 Hatay, Türkiye

📍 Emel Akçay Elementary School



📍 Hatay, Türkiye

📍 Mevlana Middle School

METU Faculty of Architecture

Middle East Technical University (METU) Faculty of Architecture: \$14,958 for the threedimensional modeling and documentation of destroyed historic buildings in Hatay.

Parıltı Görmeyen Çocuklara Destek Derneği / Parıltı Support Association for Children with Visual Impairments

\$29,260 for 10 laptops and 8 braille readers, and university entrance exam training for a total of 54 visually impaired students affected by the earthquake.

Pusulam Kitap

\$21,158 for library projects including 4,280 books, furnishing equipment, and stationery items for various schools in Hatay, Osmaniye, Malatya, Adıyaman, and Şanlıurfa.

Sivil Alan Hareket Ağı Derneği (SAHA) / Sivil Space Action Network

\$5,500 for providing post-traumatic therapy to 1,000 children through the Cankucak program; \$69,380 for the installment and equipping of 4 timber containers to be used for university entrance exam training classrooms, plus a mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) center; \$14,000 for the installment and equipping of one timber container which houses a local women's production workshop.



İskenderun Technical University Vocational School campus reconstruction by Eymir Culture Foundation

Tohum Türkiye Otizm Erken Tanı ve Eğitim Vakfı / Tohum Autism Foundation

\$24,904 for 2 special-education container classrooms and technology kits to support 250 children with autism who are earthquake survivors.

Toktutmak Elimizde Derneği (TOKTUT) / Meal Share Association

\$39,600 for 30 drinking water dispensers in 28 schools to meet purified water needs in the earthquake-affected provinces of Malatya, Kahramanmaraş, Adıyaman, Hatay, and Gaziantep.

Toplum Gönüllüleri Vakfı (TOG) / Community Volunteers Foundation

\$326,000 for the establishment of a youth support center for earthquake survivors in Gaziantep, serving at least 5,100 youth and children aged 6-23 suffering the severe effects of post-traumatic stress. The center provides a variety activities including math, IT, painting and guitar workshops as well as cinema events and discussions.

Travma Afet ve Ruh Sağlığı Çalışmaları Derneği (TARDE) / Trauma and Disaster Mental Health Studies Association

\$20,000 for providing psychosocial support to children, adults and families across the earthquake-affected provinces.



The Women's Workshop in Serinyol is a joint initiative by SAHA, YUVA Project and Serinyol EI Ele Association (SEDYAD).

**Türkiye Down Sendromu Derneği
/ Turkish Down Syndrome
Association**

\$33,600 for the furnishing and procurement of 4 containers serving as educational centers in İskenderun (Hatay), İslahiye (Gaziantep) and Adıyaman.

Waves for Water Project

\$9,390 for the installment of 250 water filter systems across the earthquake-affected region.

**Yaşam Alanları Girişimi Derneği /
Living Spaces Initiative
Association**

\$32,160 for the building of 15 units of housing in Defne, Hatay.





What is Project CATE?

In the weeks that followed the February 6, 2023 Türkiye earthquakes, as the focus shifted from urgent aid to long-term recovery, BTF joined forces with a dedicated group of Turkish-American doctors to launch the **Child Amputees of the Türkiye Earthquake (CATE)** project.

Beyond being a medical response, this was a promise to stand by amputee children for the long haul. Through a strong partnership between U.S. and Türkiye-based medical teams, CATE helped bring about a comprehensive care network. In Türkiye, this effort evolved into the *Çocuk İyilik Merkezi* (Child Wellnes Center), a place where children receive critical medical services like prosthetics, physical therapy, and trauma-informed emotional care. Today, the Child Wellness Center is supported by many stakeholders including BTF. Scan the code below to learn more.



Çukurova Üniversitesi Sanayi İşbirliği Vakfı (ÇÜSİVAK) / Çukurova University Industrial Cooperation Foundation: \$354,660 for prosthetics and physiotherapy for 150 amputee children at the Child Wellness Center at Çukurova University.

Bütün Çocuklar Bizim Derneği / All Children Are Ours Association: \$51,431 for administering 96 Child Amputees of Türkiye Earthquakes (CATE) scholarships for amputee children.

Türkiye Spastik Çocuklar Vakfı / Cerebral Palsy Türkiye: \$64,172 for prosthetic fittings, physiotherapy, and psychosocial support for amputee children at the Child Wellness Center at Çukurova University, as well as physiotherapy for other children with cerebral palsy and similar conditions, totaling 50,000 beneficiaries.



Nobel laureate and BTF Honorary Advisor Prof. Aziz Sancar expresses support for the CATE project. Sancar Turkish Center – Chapel Hill, North Carolina



Aliye Dinç and **Yaren Çiftçi** are two young amputee survivors of the February 6, 2023 Türkiye earthquakes. They forged an unbreakable friendship at the Child Wellness Center in Adana, which inspired the documentary film *Just Like Before* by Istanbul-based director Sibel Karakurt. Scan the code below learn more about their story.



Main Projects

Project or partner	Description
Boğaziçi Umut Derneği / Boğaziçi Hope Association	\$227,254 to fund the education of 1,400 children with special needs affected by the earthquake at Boğaziçi Special Education and Rehabilitation Center.
Gaziantep Üniversitesi Vakfı / Gaziantep University Foundation	\$4,000 to support certified childcare training programs aimed at improving employment opportunities for women.
Make a Wish - Türkiye	\$3,230 to fulfill the wishes of four children diagnosed with terminal illnesses.
Toktutmak Elimizde Derneği (TOKTUT) / Meal Share Association	\$8,167 to provide hot iftar meals to 1,360 people during Ramadan.
Türkiye Korunmaya Muhtaç Çocuklar Vakfı (KORUNCUK) / Turkish Foundation for Children in Need of Protection	\$5,133 to provide 90 days of nutritious meat-based meals to 62 children under state protection in Türkiye.





Environmental Sustainability

Mastic Tree Bridge

Launched by BTF and its partners, the Mastic Tree Bridge Project brings together the coastal town of Çeşme and the earthquake-affected region of Hatay. By transferring hundreds of mastic tree saplings from Çeşme to Hatay, the project promotes environmental restoration, climate resilience, and women's economic empowerment. Mastic trees not only prevent erosion and store carbon but also offer high-value resin used in food, cosmetics, and medicine. Designed as a living tribute to the Turkish Republic's 101st year, the project transforms a symbolic gesture into a sustainable model for ecological renewal and community-driven economic revival.



Solar Futures

Eighteen-year-old Derin Lowe, a Turkish-American student from Charlotte, North Carolina, launched the Solar Futures Project to support earthquake recovery in Hatay, Türkiye. Partnering with BTF, Derin raised funds to install solar panels and battery storage at a local music school suffering from frequent power outages. His hands-on work, from designing the project to overseeing installation on-site, restored reliable energy to the school, allowing students to continue their music and computer classes. The project not only addressed an urgent local need but also demonstrated how young people can combine their skills and passion to create lasting impact.





BTF Youth Event in Türkiye

📍 New York, NY

📅 31 July 2024

Seattle Turkfest

📍 Seattle, WA

📅 13 October 2024



5K Run and Family Fun

📍 Boston, MA

📅 8 September 2024



Legacy of Atatürk Day

📍 Dallas, TX

📅 10 November 2024





ISTANBUL, TÜRKİYE

Come Meet BTF! event at Facebook İstasyon

20 September 2024



Cinema4aCause 2024 Edition: Feyza's Kitchen

The documentary film Feyza's Kitchen by Jale İncekol tells the story of the Academy of Gastronomy at Ege University, established through a collaboration between BTF and the Shipley Foundation. The film was featured in local Cinema4aCause events across 23 cities in 6 countries, including the US, Türkiye, Australia, the Netherlands, Switzerland and Bolivia. Proceeds from these screenings funded annual scholarships for over 100 children and youth impacted by the 2023 earthquakes in Türkiye, inspiring hundreds of donors and volunteers to join our grassroots BTF mission. Click [here](#) to learn more.

We are proud to work alongside nearly 60 trusted partner organizations across Türkiye — local changemakers who know their communities best. Through their dedication and collaboration, we extend our reach, deepen our impact, and turn generosity into meaningful action for future generations across the country.





Lokman Hekim Sağlık Vakfı

Lokman Hekim Healthcare Foundation

İstanbul

31 July 2024

Türk Üniversiteli Kadınlar Derneği

Graduate Women International Türkiye

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Eymir Kültür Vakfı

Eymir Culture Foundation

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📍 Antakya, Hatay

BTF volunteer Jennifer Aydın visited a school to deliver educational supplies donated by our donors as part of the Adopt A Classroom program.

📍 İskenderun, Hatay

Opening ceremony of İskenderun Technical University's Vocational School campus, rebuilt after the earthquake by Eymir Culture Foundation with the support of BTF donors.



📍 Yeşilyurt, Malatya

We joined the Payda Association team on their visit to Doğanşehir High School of Science in Yeşilyurt, Malatya.

📍 Siverek, Şanlıurfa

Opening ceremony of a kindergarten built after the earthquake by Çocuklar Gülsün Diye Association with the support of BTF donors.



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Donate

It's fast, easy, and effective - every dollar you donate to BTF turns into impact in Türkiye, with no overhead costs. Visit btf.help/donate



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Put your company hours to work by volunteering with BTF and amplifying your impact. Read our [blog](#) for some inspiration!



Start a Giving Circle

Mobilize your community for a cause that's important to you, and we will help you donate your pooled funds safely and with transparency to the partner of your choice.



Organize an event

Take a look at our [event guide](#) and discover different ways you can fundraise for a good cause with your community!



Explore fundraisers

Dive into our current fundraisers on btf.community/campaigns, discover how ordinary people are making an extraordinary difference, and find your own path to contribute.

Thank you!

Thank you for delivering happiness with us.

Every scholarship funded, every classroom empowered, every dream sparked – happens because of you. Together, we are proud have transformed into a global movement for educational equity and hope for Türkiye's future generations.

Your generosity fuels brighter futures, and we are deeply grateful to have you by our side!



 Mardin, Türkiye

 Selahaddin Eyyübi Elementary School

With BTF, you can give with confidence!

At BTF, transparency is a top priority.

In 2024, we received top ratings from charity watchdog groups for our efficient use of donor contributions and the impact of our initiatives. We are committed to keeping our donors fully informed about how their generous contributions are making a difference.

Click [here](#) to see our audited financials for 2024.



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