



Bridge to Türkiye Fund

Building bridges of kindness between Türkiye and the world since 2003.



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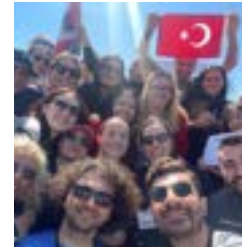
✦ WHO WE ARE

At Bridge to Türkiye Fund, we connect communities worldwide for a brighter Türkiye—transforming goodwill into impactful programs that improve lives.

In 2003, a group of Turkish-American volunteers gathered in North Carolina's Triangle area with a shared dream: that every child in Türkiye could enjoy a future enriched by modern and quality education. They knew that something needed to be done, and in that moment, they realized they were the spark that could ignite lasting change.

Thus, BTF was born - a heartfelt initiative fueled by a genuine commitment to empowering young minds and giving back to Türkiye. Over the past two decades, this inspiring journey has transformed countless lives. Today, BTF has reached over **850,000 children** across Türkiye, nurturing their potential and lighting the path to brighter futures.

Today, this mission is sustained by a global family of over **40,000 donors** and supporters who prove that when caring and committed people come together, they can make a world of difference. As part of this commitment to lasting change, BTF is also honored to hold consultative status with the United Nations (UN) Department of Economic and Social Affairs (ECOSOC), further strengthening our ability to advocate for and support the children of Türkiye on a global stage.



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

WHAT WE DO

Supported by a vast network of volunteers and **22 giving circles** in North America and around the globe, Bridge to Türkiye Fund raises funds by facilitating **grassroots action**, and forming links with trusted partners in Türkiye.

We maintain a portfolio of **60 carefully vetted Turkish NGOs** and localized projects to accomplish this goal. This makes it possible for BTF's donors to support impactful causes simply and safely from abroad.

Our program areas are **education**, the **health and wellbeing of youth**, **environmental sustainability**, and **disaster management**.



HOW BTF WORKS



We connect and mobilize **grassroots communities** to raise funds, and diligently identify potential partners and stakeholders.



We **team up** with leading local NGOs present on the ground.



We maintain an **equal opportunities** focus, and specifically concentrate on the welfare of children and vulnerable groups.



We carefully vet every partner organization we transfer funds to, and pursue a strong commitment to **transparency** while ensuring 100% of our community's donations reach children and youth in need with no overhead costs.

BTF AROUND THE WORLD

Our donor community lives in Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Qatar, Romania, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, Tanzania, Thailand, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Türkiye, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, and Vietnam. **That adds up to nearly half of all countries around the globe!**



BTF DONORS AROUND THE WORLD

92 countries
6 continents

22 YEARS OF BTF

60+

Partner organizations

850,000+

Empowered students

600+

Schools reached

14,000+

Annual scholarships

45

**School/dorm
constructions**

24

Science labs



✦ TRANSPARENCY

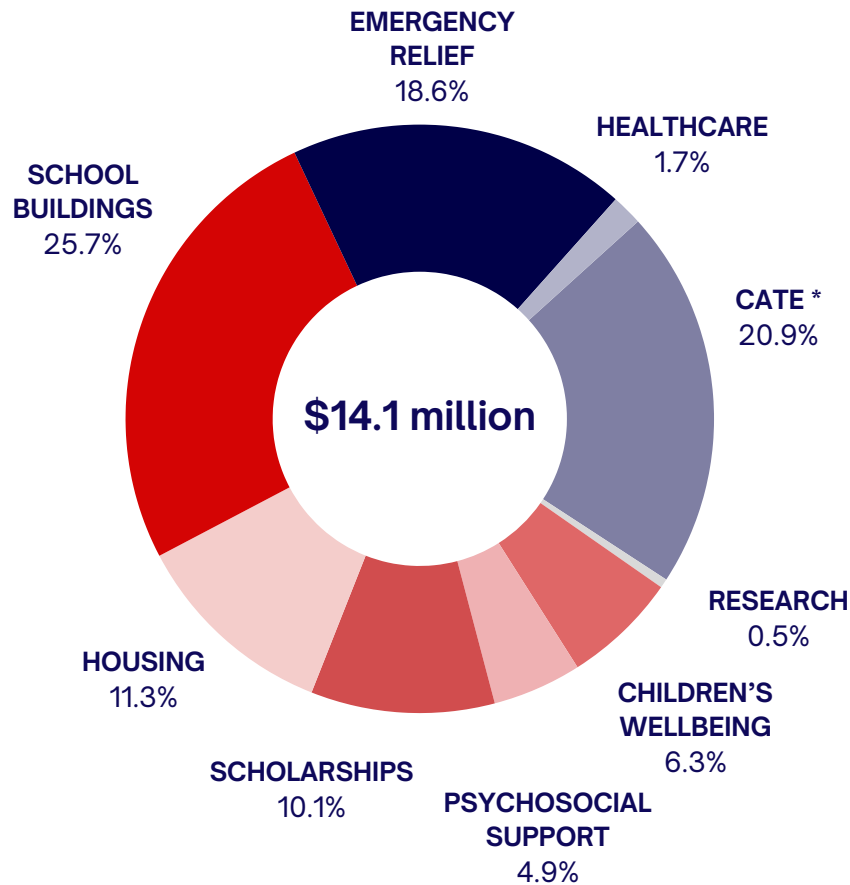
With the Bridge to Türkiye Fund, you can give with confidence.

At BTF, transparency is a top priority. We have consistently 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.





BTF TÜRKİYE EARTHQUAKES FUND



*“BTF stands out as an extraordinary organization, driven by a team that works with immense **dedication, effort, and empathy**, always actively engaged in their projects. I am profoundly grateful for the chance to **collaborate** with them and appreciate their pivotal role in launching and maintaining the Child Amputees of Türkiye Earthquakes (CATE) project.”*

Prof. Gökhan Hotamışlıgil

James Stevens Simmons Professor of Genetics
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health

PROJECT SPOTLIGHT: CHILD AMPUTEES OF TÜRKİYE EARTHQUAKES (CATE)

The Child Amputees of Türkiye Earthquakes (CATE) project emerged as an example of how community-driven philanthropy can work marvels in bringing about enduring and sustainable solutions for disaster recovery.

TOTAL COMMITTED

\$2.33
million

LIFELONG SCHOLARSHIPS

100+
students



Conceived by a group of Turkish and American medical professionals in the US and Türkiye, project CATE set out to devise a long-term and versatile support system combining essential healthcare and educational assistance to child amputees who were impacted by the February 6, 2023 earthquakes. CATE addresses a need that may often be overlooked in post-disaster scenarios, focusing on child amputees who have endured limb loss. Its core mission is to offer these children day-to-day psychosocial support, improved future prospects, and a renewed opportunity for life post-disaster.

Thanks to the incredible response from our community, we were able to bring the CATE project to life, successfully raising over \$2.3 million.

In Türkiye, the initiative operates under the auspices of Çukurova University's Çocuk İyilik Merkezi (Child Wellness Center).

Turkish nobel laureate Prof. Aziz Sancar expresses support for the Child Amputees of Türkiye Earthquakes (CATE) project. (Sancar Turkish Center – Chapel Hill, North Carolina)



* Scan code to learn more about the Child Amputees of Türkiye Earthquakes (CATE) project

WHY DONATE TO BTF?

Tax Deduction for Charitable Contributions

Bridge to Türkiye Fund (BTF) is a US-based charitable non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization. Contributions made to BTF are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by IRS. BTF's tax identification number is 58-2678580.



Amplify Your Impact with Corporate Matching

Corporate matching gift programs match the charitable contributions made by their employees, effectively doubling the impact of your donation. Find out if your employer matches donations & maximize your impact.



Volunteer Grant Programs

Volunteer grant programs are initiatives by corporations that offer financial donations to eligible nonprofits in honor of their employees' volunteer work. If your employer offers this program, you can amplify the impact of your work with BTF.



Click [here](#) to find out if your employer matches charitable donations.



WHY FUNDRAISE WITH BTF?



Collect donations fast and easily

BTF provides secure, risk-free, custom-designed donation links and ticket sales pages for your event or fundraiser. Enabling a smooth, trusted and user-friendly way to raise funds with ease from all around the world.



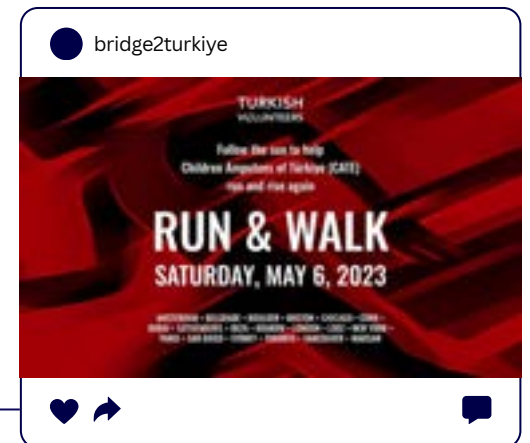
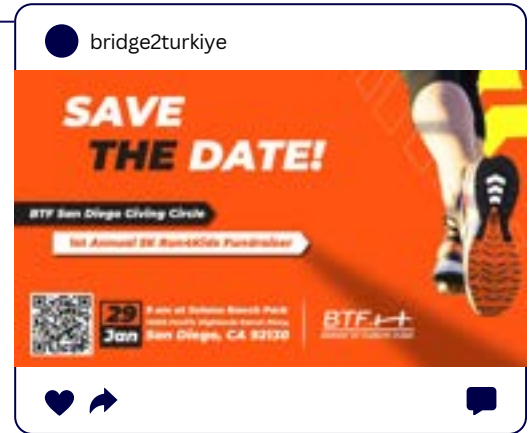
Choose from over 60 partners and causes

We offer a portfolio of carefully-vetted Turkish partner NGOs that are compliant with international transfer criteria. You will have the option to choose how your funds will be utilized. BTF will charge no overhead while transferring your funds.



Promote your cause

Our team can help you design compelling visuals and written content for your campaign. We will effectively communicate and promote your fundraiser across our vast network of donors.





WHY FUNDRAISE WITH BTF?



Ensure your supporters are acknowledged

Our team is committed to making sure that all supporters are individually recognized and appreciated, fostering a sense of community and gratitude.



Transparent impact reporting

We pursue an accountable and transparent approach at every step. Providing comprehensive impact reports for both individually to donors and overall donations that detail how every dollar raised by the campaigns has been utilized.



Exemption from payment process deductions

100% of your donations go directly to the cause, with no deductions for payment processing fees. Donations will be refunded upon the donor's request if any error is deemed to have occurred.





JOIN THE COMMUNITY

VOLUNTEER



Volunteers are the heartbeat of BTF's mission, fueling our impact every step of the way. By rolling up their sleeves, they build a powerful sense of community, forge lasting connections, and spark meaningful, sustainable change. Beyond that, they champion the spirit of active citizenship, helping uplift Türkiye's most underserved communities.

JOIN/START A FUNDRAISER



Browse our upcoming events and ongoing fundraisers to find a cause you support. Alternatively, you can start your own fundraiser and we will help you organize and promote it. Take a look at our [event guide](#) for some inspiration!

START A GIVING CIRCLE



Giving Circles or team fundraising are an exciting alternative to individual donations, offering BTF supporters and their friends the opportunity to raise funds together with BTF, while having fun and spreading the word to others. Giving Circle members pool their tax deductible charitable contributions with BTF, and decide as a group which projects and programs to support.

BECOME A MONTHLY DONOR



Join BTF's Hope Pioneers group by donating monthly and championing our key initiatives. With the freedom to choose your area of interest, we ensure you stay updated on how your regular support makes a difference. Select the cause that resonates with you, and we'll provide regular updates on the impact your donations are making.



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bridges of kindness with BTF!**

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