Bridge to Türkiye Fund

2025/2026 ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT



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LETTER *from* THE BOARD

Dear BTF Community,

Every year, our annual report gives us an opportunity to pause and reflect, not only on what we have accomplished together, but also on what those accomplishments represent for our community. Across Türkiye and around the world, our community continues to come together around a shared belief: when we invest in children and young people, expand access to education, and create opportunities, we help build brighter futures for generations to come. This year, that belief once again became action.

During the 2025–2026 fiscal year, your generosity enabled BTF to direct more than $2.5 million across eight program areas and 52 projects. Together, we provided 1,930 annual scholarships, reached more than 109,000 students through school supplies, expanded access to educational resources and science labs, and continued supporting communities affected by the Türkiye earthquakes. Our work also reached children and young people through health and wellbeing programs and continued to advance environmental sustainability as part of our commitment to stronger, more resilient communities.

Yet numbers alone cannot capture the true meaning of that impact. Behind every scholarship is a student pursuing a dream. Behind every classroom and science lab is an educator helping young minds discover what is possible. Behind every program are local partners who understand their communities, and donors and volunteers who believe that distance should never limit our capacity to care.

That spirit of helping one another was especially visible this year. Through the Bike4Kids fundraiser campaign, volunteers cycled 950 kilometers across Eastern Türkiye, raising more than $50,000 to help fund four fully equipped science labs. Our first volunteer-led BTF Marathon fundraiser brought supporters together around the world and raised nearly $63,000 for education projects. And from Cambridge and Sydney to Chicago, San Diego, New York and Seattle, our community continued to gather, connect, give and turn goodwill into action.

What began 23 years ago as a small nonprofit with a handful of volunteers determined to make a difference continues today through a global community choosing to maximize that impact. As BTF grows, our purpose remains true to our original mission: bridging support between Türkiye and the world to create lasting opportunities for local communities to thrive through partnership and collective action.

To our donors, staff, volunteers, partners, educators, students and friends across the globe, thank you. Your generosity, time, trust and love are at the heart of everything we do at BTF. You do not simply support this mission. You are an indispensable part of this venture.

We look ahead with gratitude for what we have built together and optimism for what is still possible. There are more students to reach, more opportunities to create impact and more bridges to build.

Change starts with us. Together, we can make that change enduring.

With heartfelt gratitude,



Bülent Ender
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**, **health and wellbeing**, **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.



Our Values



Transparency

At BTF, trust is built through transparency and accountability. We take responsibility for our actions and deliver on our mission with integrity.

Heartfelt Commitment

Giving back to Türkiye is at the heart of BTF's mission. Together with our volunteers and supporters, we create lasting change through compassion and commitment.



High-impact and Excellence

BTF is committed to maximizing impact through excellence, innovation, and the responsible use of resources, continuously striving to do better.

Donor-centricity

Our donors are at the heart of BTF, inspiring generosity and driving lasting change through meaningful connections.



Community, Collaboration and Humility

Grassroots communities are the backbone of BTF's mission. With humility, collaboration, and strong partnerships, we create sustainable change together.

Neutrality

At BTF, independence and fairness guide every decision, ensuring our support remains focused on Türkiye's future generations.

Impact Summary



From **July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026,** your support reached students, classrooms, and communities across Türkiye.

The numbers below reflect what we accomplished together during the 2025–2026 fiscal year, made possible by your generosity and the dedication of our partners.

109K+
empowered rural students

1,918
annual scholarships for K-12 and university students in Türkiye

12
annual scholarships for college and graduate students in USA

52
projects supported across Türkiye

Our Impact

Scholarships

Across Türkiye, there are students with the drive and potential to excel but not the means to continue their education. BTF's scholarship program exists to close that gap, supporting high-achieving students so they can stay focused on what matters: learning, growing, and building their future.

Empowerment Scholarships	Earthquake Scholarships	Impact Scholarships	CATE Scholarships
1,481 students **25** partner organizations	**306** students **5** partner organizations	**12** students **11** universities in USA	**131** students **3** partner organizations

GRAND TOTAL

1,930 annual scholarships | **$1,617,109.09** grants



Our Impact

Empowerment Scholarships

With the support of our trusted partner organizations, we're committed to opening doors for undergraduate and graduate students across Türkiye through our Empowerment Scholarships program. In FY 2025–2026, we supported **1,481** university students in collaboration with 25 partners.

Partner	Total disbursed	No. of scholars
Çağdaş Yaşamı Destekleme Derneği (ÇYDD) / Association for Supporting Contemporary Life	$412,882	720
İstanbul Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi Mezunları Derneği (ODTÜMİST) / Middle East Technical University (METU) Istanbul Alumni Association	$129,091	145
Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi Mezunları Derneği (ODTÜMD) / Middle East Technical University (METU) Alumni Association	$61,729	73
Türk Eğitim Derneği (TED) / Turkish Educational Foundation	$23,465	63
Boğaziçi Üniversitesi Vakfı (BÜVAK) / Bosphorus University Foundation	$40,713	54
İstanbul Teknik Üniversitesi Mezunları Derneği (İTÜ MD) / Istanbul Technical University Alumni Association	$34,031	54
Boğaziçi Üniversitesi Mezunlar Derneği (BÜMED) / Bosphorus University Alumni Association	$47,652	50





"I am Ceren, a fifth-year medical student at Kocaeli University Faculty of Medicine. I am currently completing an internship at one of Europe's leading surgical hospitals in Milan. Today, I am speaking not only as a scholarship recipient, but also as someone whose dreams have been supported along the way.

This scholarship has been much more than financial assistance. It has given us confidence, hope, and strength, reminding us that we are not alone in our journey. I would like to sincerely thank the Lokman Hekim Sağlık Vakfı family for believing in our education and our future, and the Bridge to Türkiye family for their valuable support of this scholarship program.

On behalf of all scholarship recipients, thank you for your trust and encouragement. Your support has inspired us to pursue our goals with confidence, and we will always carry your belief in us throughout our professional journeys.

Thank you very much."



"Hello, dear BTF family and valued donors. I am a second-year Midwifery student at the Faculty of Health Sciences and a member of the Contemporary Life Support Association Çukurova Branch. Thanks to you, this scholarship greatly facilitates my education.

I can easily meet many of my basic needs, such as course materials, transportation, and food. The support you provide is not only financial but also gives me wonderful opportunities to socialize.

Thank you very much for believing in us, standing by us, and illuminating our path. With love from the Çukurova Branch, thank you for being there."

Partner	Total disbursed	No. of scholars
Ahbap Association	$40,882	43
Hacettepe Üniversitesi Mezunlar Derneği (HÜMED) / Hacettepe University Alumni Association	$39,402	40
Kadın Hekimler Eğitime Destek Vakfı (KAHEV) Eskişehir / Turkish Female Physicians' Education Support Foundation Eskişehir Branch	$44,448	38
Lokman Hekim Sağlık Vakfı / Lokman Hekim Healthcare Foundation	$19,773	31
İstanbul Kafkas Kültür Derneği (İKKD) / Istanbul Caucasus Cultural Center	$28,593	30
Türkiye Korunmaya Muhtaç Çocuklar Vakfı (KORUNCUK) / Turkish Foundation for Children in Need of Protection	$28,592	21
Nesin Vakfı / Nesin Foundation	$28,390	20
PAYDA Association	$11,922	16
İzmir Fen Liseliler Derneği / İzmir Science High School Alumni Association	$13,690	12
İhsan Doğramacı Bilkent Üniversitesi Vakfı / İhsan Doğramacı Bilkent University Foundation	$11,892	11
Bütün Çocuklar Bizim Derneği (BÇBD) / All Children Are Ours Association	$11,085	11
İlköğretim Okullarına Yardım Vakfı (İLKYAR) / Aid Foundation for Elementary Schools	$12,715	12
Ankara Ağın Kültür ve Dayanışma Derneği / Ankara Ağın Culture and Solidarity Foundation	$4,308	10
Darüşşafaka (DAÇKA)	$15,042	10
İstanbul Teknik Üniversitesi Vakfı / Istanbul Technical University Foundation	$6,000	7
Türk Eğitim Vakfı (TEV) / Turkish Educational Foundation	$4,000	4
Birleşmiş Eller Derneği	$2,266	3
Yıldız Teknik Üniversitesi Mezunları Derneği	$703	3
TOTAL	**$1,060,842**	**1481**

Our Impact

Earthquake Scholarships



Türkiye's 2023 earthquakes disrupted the education of countless students, many of whom faced deep loss and hardship. BTF created the Earthquake Scholarship Program in direct response, offering ongoing assistance to students in the affected regions so they can continue their studies and move forward with their lives. With your support, we were able to fund **305** university students in FY 2025–2026.

Partner	Total disbursed	No. of scholars
Nesin Vakfı / Nesin Foundation	$64,590	91
Türk Universiteli Kadinlar Dernegi (TÜKD) / Graduate Women International Türkiye	$37,036	70
PAYDA Association	$35,921	59
İstanbul Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi Mezunları Derneği (ODTÜMİST) / Middle East Technical University (METU) Istanbul Alumni Association	$48,965	55
Eşit Gelecek Derneği / Equal Future Association	$30,749	31
TOTAL	**$217,265**	**306**

Impact Scholarships

BTF's Impact Scholarship Program is built to support Türkiye's most promising students as they pursue an education abroad. These scholarships go to exceptional students who've earned admission to U.S. universities, helping ease the financial burden and making that opportunity possible. It's our way of investing in Türkiye's future leaders as they take their place on the world stage.

Partner	Total disbursed	No. of scholars
Stanford University	$40,000	2
Bentley University	$20,000	1
University of Chicago	$20,000	1
California Institute of Technology	$5,025	1
Manhattan School of Music	$20,000	1
Seton Hall University	$15,465	1
Columbia University	$15,000	1
Harvard University	$20,020	1
Berklee College School of Music	$25,000	1
Tufts College	$20,000	1
California State University, Fresno	$6,000	1
TOTAL	**$206,510.00**	**12**

"I am excited to continue growing as both a musician and a student at the Manhattan School of Music. My goal is to become a more versatile artist while striving for excellence in my academic and artistic pursuits. BTF's support has made this journey possible, and I am deeply grateful for your belief in my potential and your investment in my future."



Duru Aydın, sophomore at the Manhattan School of Music

School Supplies



Afyon, Türkiye

Altıhisar Secondary School

Support A Classroom in Türkiye is a BTF-grown program that equips under-resourced schools nationwide with essential educational supplies. By improving the classroom experience and supporting teacher effectiveness, the program serves as a vital resource for both students and educators.



Between 1 July 2025 and 30 June 2026, **$137,356 was disbursed** to distribute 153 sets of essential educational materials to rural schools, provide 800 school bags and stationery sets to students, and establish nine science laboratories in underserved communities. The program reached schools in **Adıyaman, Afyonkarahisar, Ağrı, Aydın, Hakkari, Hatay, İstanbul, İzmir, Kars, Kayseri, Konya, Mardin, Mersin, Muğla, Niğde, Sakarya, Sivas, Şanlıurfa, Trabzon, and Van.**

School Supplies

Support A Classroom in Tűrkiye 2025-2026:

109,000+ empowered students in **20** provinces



Thank you note from the school administrative staff.

"Thank you so much for the educational toy set you sent. Each toy is so beautiful and high-quality that we opened your package with great joy. These toys will not only benefit our students mentally but also provide them with a fun activity. Thank you so much for all the gifts you've sent so far, and especially for choosing our school.

We will always be grateful to you, and I'm sure your mark will remain in our school for years to come. "



Educational Buildings

Every student deserves a safe place to learn. At BTF, **we rebuild and restore schools, libraries, and dormitories** across Türkiye so students have the spaces they need to study and grow.

Each project goes beyond construction. It's an investment in equity in education and in the students who will benefit for years to come.

Arguvan ve Köyleri Eğitim Kültür Vakfı /Arguvan and Villages Education and Culture Foundation:

$60,185 contributed for toward the construction of a study center in the Arguvan district of Malatya.

TOTAL IMPACT

60,000+
STUDENTS

İlköğretim Okullarına Yardım Vakfı / Aid Foundation for Elementary Schools (İLKYAR):

$10,000 for the architectural, structural, mechanical, and electrical projects of the Science and Arts Village.

Uluçınar Secondary School Additional Building Project:

Through an investment of **$215,025**, the project supported the construction of an additional school building featuring a sensory integration classroom, a language and technology classroom, and a music and theater hall. These new facilities are expected to benefit approximately 9.000 students over an estimated twenty-eight-year lifespan of the campus.

Voleybolun Unutulmazları Derneği (VUD) / The Association of Volleyball Immortals:

$6,764 contributed to the construction of the Memorial Park in Hatay, honoring the child volleyball players who lost their lives in the Kahramanmaraş earthquake.

Education Support

Together with our trusted partners and generous donors, we connect people across Türkiye with educational opportunities ranging from summer camps to specialized training programs.

Bir Dilek Yetmez Project:

$13,992 for organizing capacity-building workshops for teachers across Türkiye to enhance classroom effectiveness and student engagement.

Shipley-Altındağ Gastronomy Academy:

Building on its first year with support from the Shipley Foundation, Feyza's Kitchen continued this year to offer barista and street food training to 58 individuals whose economic circumstances had limited their access to vocational education.

İstanbul Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi Mezunları Derneği (ODTÜMİST) / Middle East Technical University (METU) Istanbul Alumni Association

$2,637 supported a mentorship program benefiting 1,030 students, providing guidance, academic support, and personal development opportunities to help students strengthen their educational journeys and future aspirations.

Hatay-Erzin İssos Arkeoloji Kültürel ve Doğal Mirası Koruma Derneği / Hatay-Erzin Issos Association for the Protection of Archaeological, Cultural and Natural Heritage

$3,552 supported a workshop program for 30 students from primary and middle schools in the Erzin district. Through presentations and interactive workshops, students received education on cultural heritage, historical preservation, the Issos Epiphaneia archaeological site, excavation techniques, and archaeological findings, fostering greater awareness of the region's rich historical and cultural heritage.



Issos Mosaic Workshop

Education Support

Adaların Tabii Tarihi Değerlerini Koruma ve Turizm Vakfı (ADALAR VAKFI) / Foundation for Preserving and Improving the Natural and Historical Values of the Islands

$12,866 supported the Nazım Hikmet Summer Camp, bringing together 19 young participants for an immersive educational and cultural experience. The program featured 16 sessions covering literature, ecology, global citizenship, intercultural learning, academic freedom, and volunteerism. Participants also took part in three thematic workshop series, a short film production workshop, and a historical and cultural walking tour of Büyükada. Daily group discussions and evening reflection sessions fostered dialogue, critical thinking, and cross-cultural exchange among participants from diverse backgrounds.



Nazım Hikmet Summer Camp



Summer Science School

İlköğretim Okullarına Yardım Vakfı / Aid Foundation for Elementary Schools (İLKYAR)

$10,000 supported the 23rd Summer Science School and the 24th Teachers' Summer Camp, held at Middle East Technical University (METU) from July 6–13, 2025. The programs brought together 111 students and 37 teachers from across Türkiye. Students participated in hands-on workshops in robotics, mathematics, electrical engineering, chemical engineering, physics, and chemistry, as well as educational museum visits. Teachers attended professional development sessions on philosophy, the history of science, motivation and learning, peer bullying, artificial intelligence, aging, and effective communication, strengthening both their subject knowledge and teaching practices.

Education Support

Pusulam Kitap Project

$3,759 provided reading resources to the libraries of 33 schools across 19 provinces in Türkiye. The support included 1,300 copies of Çocuklar Soruyor, İlber Hoca Cevaplıyor: Gazi Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, 30 library sets containing eight books each, and 15 teacher sets containing seven books each for middle schools, enriching school library collections and promoting reading among students.

Kırmızı Biber Derneği /Red Pepper Association

$23,195 supported a five-day STEM Camp designed to inspire students through hands-on learning and personal development. The program combined morning STEM workshops with afternoon outdoor activities, sports, and team-building games. Evenings featured inspirational films and discussions, role model sessions, and educational games. Together, these experiences encouraged curiosity, collaboration, problem-solving, and leadership skills in an engaging and supportive environment.



Pusulam Kitap Project

Açık Alan Derneği /Open Space Association

$8,479 supported a project aimed at improving school attendance and reducing the risk of school dropout among children from 41 vulnerable households by addressing financial barriers to education. Each family received a digital market voucher for three months to help meet essential household needs. This support enabled children to remain engaged in their education.

TOTAL IMPACT

8,300+ STUDENTS

Disaster Management



Çocuklar Gülsün Diye Derneği

$85,000 supported the establishment of the BTF Kindergarten in Adıyaman Province, expanding access to safe, high-quality early childhood education for young children in an earthquake-affected community. The funding contributed to the development of a dedicated learning environment designed to support children's education, well-being, and healthy development.





TOTAL IMPACT

90,000+
individuals

Ahbap

$100,000 supported the establishment of 19 school libraries across 17 schools and 2 youth centers, expanding access to books and educational resources for children and young people.





Our Impact

Project CATE

What is Project CATE?

In response to the 2023 Türkiye and Syria earthquakes, **BTF launched Child Amputees of the Türkiye Earthquake Project (CATE) to support survivors ages 0 to 21.** The project provides prosthetic limbs, psychological support and rehabilitation, and scholarships, helping children rebuild their lives after the trauma of the earthquakes.





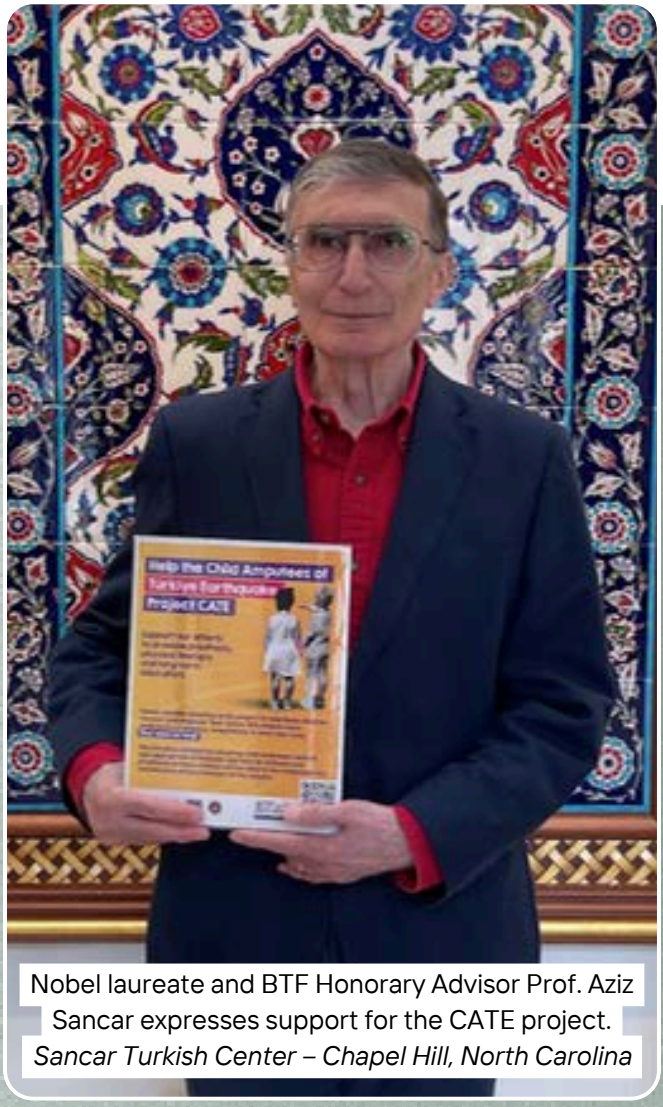


When Abdullah was 8, the 2023 earthquakes in Türkiye changed his life forever. He lost his left leg, making even standing painful and running seem impossible.

Through the support of our partner Cerebral Palsy Türkiye, Abdullah received a prosthetic and rehabilitation, helping him regain strength and independence. Today, he runs, plays with his friends, and embraces life with confidence.

Through the CATE program, children affected by the 2023 earthquakes receive ongoing prosthetic care and rehabilitation. Because every child deserves the chance to move, play, and belong.

Project CATE



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

Nesin Vakfı / Nesin Foundation & Bütün Çocuklar Bizim Derneği / All Children Are Ours Association:

With **$62,359** provided through Nesin Vakfı and **$70,131** provided through Bütün Çocuklar Bizim Derneği, BTF supported the CATE Scholarship Program, providing educational scholarships to 131 students affected by the Türkiye earthquakes. The program helped ensure continued access to education by reducing financial barriers and supporting students in pursuing their academic goals despite the long-term impacts of the disaster.



TOTAL IMPACT

392 BENEFICIARIES

Türkiye Spastik Çocuklar Vakfı/ Cerebral Palsy Türkiye:

$74,200 supported prosthetic fittings, physiotherapy, and psychosocial support for children with amputations at the Child Wellness Center at Çukurova University and the TSÇV Hatay Disability Services Center. The funding also provided physiotherapy services for children living with cerebral palsy and other physical disabilities, helping improve their mobility, independence, and overall quality of life.

Health and Wellbeing

Lösemili Çocuklar Sağlık ve Eğitim Vakfı (LÖSEV) / The Foundation for Children with Leukaemia

$8,383 supported three children undergoing leukemia and cancer treatment, ensuring uninterrupted access to essential medical care. The funding contributed to the procurement of medications and critical medical supplies, helping sustain life-saving treatment and improve the children's continuity of care throughout their treatment process.

Make a Wish - Türkiye

$1,827 to fulfill the wishes of two children diagnosed with terminal illnesses.

Toktutmak Elimizde Derneği (TOKTUT) / Meal Share Association

$20,574 supported the installation of 11 water filtration systems in 11 schools across the earthquake-affected region, improving access to safe drinking water for students and school communities. The project also funded the distribution of 1,000 meals during Ramadan.

TOTAL IMPACT

9,800+ CHILDREN & YOUTH

Limon Psikososyal Destek ve Hayata Yeniden Uyum Derneği Limon Psychosocial Support and Life Readjustment Association

$7,389 provided post-traumatic psychosocial support for approximately 50 children affected by crisis and adversity. The program helped children strengthen their emotional well-being, resilience, and coping skills through professional psychosocial support services in a safe and supportive environment.



TOKTUT water filter project

Environmental Sustainability

Samandağ Çevre Koruma ve Turizm Derneği / Samandağ Association for Environmental Protection and Tourism

$63,214 supported the establishment of two YUVA Centers, one Observation Tower, the construction of a wooden playground, and the installation of shower and toilet facilities as part of the Milleyha Wetland Restoration Project. These facilities provide dedicated spaces for environmental education, citizen science activities, and wildlife monitoring, while creating safe and engaging learning environments that promote biodiversity conservation and community engagement in the Milleyha Wetlands.





Children at Milleyha Nature Observation Center

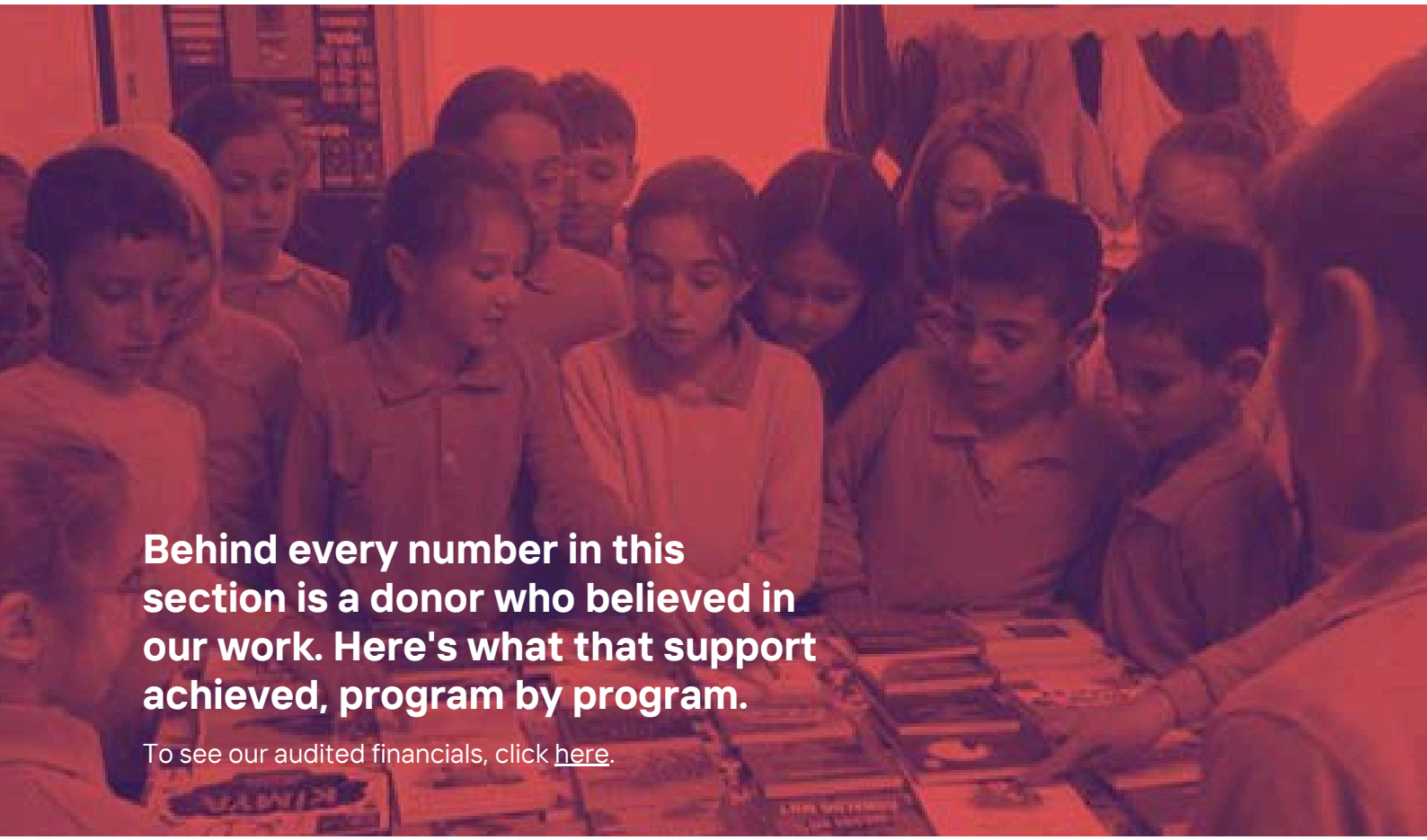
Her Eve Bir Pati Terk Edilmiş Hayvanların Korunması Barınması Yuvalandırılması Derneği (HEPAD) / Paw for Every Home Association

$20,071 supported the operations of HEPAD, including the provision of food, veterinary care, shelter infrastructure improvements, and animal rescue efforts. The funding helped ensure the continued care, protection, and rehabilitation of vulnerable animals in need.

TOTAL IMPACT

1,500+
BENEFICIARIES

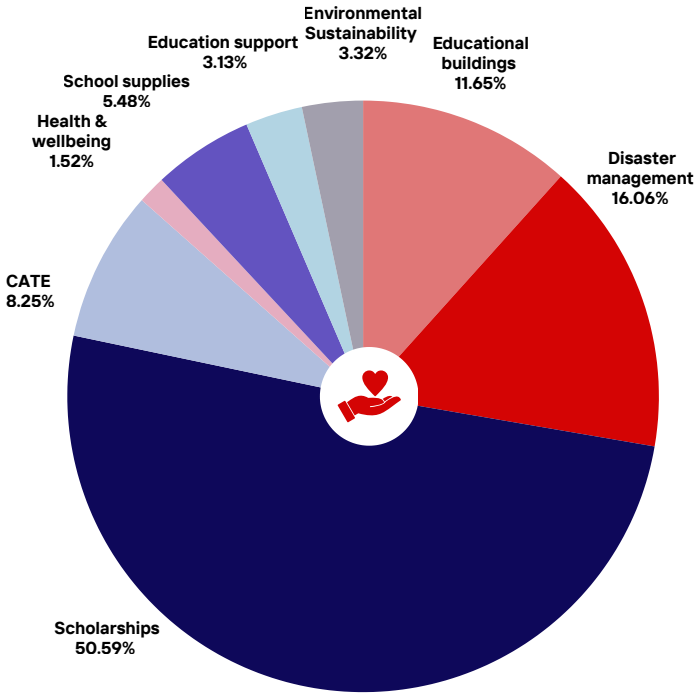
Funding Summary



Behind every number in this section is a donor who believed in our work. Here's what that support achieved, program by program.

To see our audited financials, click here.

Program area	Grants ($)
Educational buildings	$291,974.88
Disaster management	$402,265.17
Empowerment and Impact scholarships	$1,267,352.57
Child Amputees of Türkiye Earthquakes (CATE)	$206,691.35
Education support	$78,282.10
School supplies	$137,356.26
Health & wellbeing	$38,173.34
Environmental Sustainability	$83,285.00
TOTAL	**$2,505,380**



Our Donors

30+ COUNTRIES

8K DONATIONS



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Donations

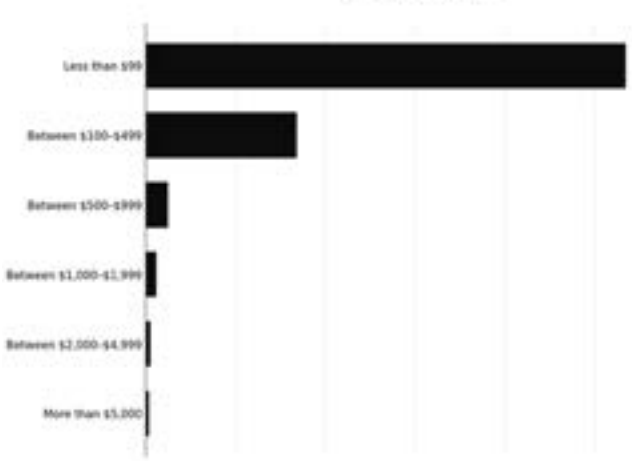


BTF Chicago Circle Cinema4ACause Event

Every gift plays a part, no matter the size, and this chart tells that story. Whether it's a small, heartfelt donation or a larger contribution, our mission moves forward because of the collective effort of many.

Smaller donations make up the bulk of our funding, which speaks to our grassroots, community-driven foundation. Added together, these gifts create real, lasting opportunities for the next generation in Türkiye.

Every Gift Makes a Difference



Global Giving Circle



BTF Seattle Circle Turkish Bazaar Event

BTF's strength comes from the grassroots: everyday people coming together, pooling their resources, and turning compassion into action.

Our Giving Circles bring that spirit to life, uniting communities to support Türkiye. At BTF, we celebrate all our Giving Circles and the power of collective giving.



Our Community

Partners in Türkiye

We are proud to work alongside nearly 70 trusted partner organizations across Türkiye, local changemakers who know their communities best. Through their dedication and collaboration, we extend our reach and deepen our impact for future generations across the country.



Field Visits



Milleyha Nature Gathering

BTF joined the Milleyha Nature Gathering, held February 13–15, 2026, which marked the opening of a Nature Observation Center as a lasting outcome of the event. **The gathering brought together over 500 participants, including 200 children, with a program that included nature education, scientific observation, participatory forums, cultural activities, and a heritage tour.** Two education and conservation hubs were introduced at the gathering, funded by BTF and developed in partnership with the Samandağ Environmental Protection Association.

Built using Yuva Project's sustainable timber shelters, the hubs will serve as centers for environmental education and biodiversity monitoring, offering birdwatching facilities, workshops, and student programs.







Community Events



Film Screening in Sydney



Film Screening in London

Cinema4aCause

Cinema4aCause events are special film screenings organized by BTF volunteers around the globe to raise funds supporting BTF programs and causes, such as advancing educational opportunities and the health and wellbeing of youth. This year's favorite films were Fidan, Mukadderat, Eskisi Gibi, and Tavşan İmparatorluğu.

Sydney, Australia / Eskisi Gibi	30 Nov 2025
San Diego, California /Fidan	8 Mar 2026
London, United Kingdom / Eskisi Gibi	17 Apr 2026
Chicago, Illinois / Tavşan İmparatorluğu	1 May 2026
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania / Mukadderat	2 May 2026
San Diego, California / Mukadderat	7 May 2026
Cambridge, United Kingdom / Eskisi Gibi	18 Jun 2026



4 October 2025

San Diego, California / Wine Night with Çağatay



11–12 October 2025

Seattle, Washington/ TurkFest, the Annual Turkish Cultural Festival of Seattle



12 October 2025

New York/The Mental Health Awareness Seminar organized in collaboration with the Brilliance Foundation



12 October 2025

Cambridge, United Kingdom
Turkish Bazaar Sale



14 Nov 2025

North Bergen, New Jersey
Turkish American Business Network (TABNET) Holiday Dinner



16 November 2025

Cambridge, United Kingdom
Gülsin Onay Piano Recital



22 Nov 2025

New York/Empowering Teachers - Shaping Futures (Meet and Greet with Selçuk Şirin)



29 November 2025

New York/ Coding the Future in the Age of AI: Preparing for Tomorrow's Careers



31 Jan 2026

New York City, New York
Professions in the age of AI& the digital world panel



7 February 2026

New York/ Mira'nın Kırmızı Defteri: Interview with Author Çağla Ural



7 March 2026

New York/ Standing for Her Rights: Justice and Action for Every Woman and Girl Panel



3 May 2026

Cresskill,New Jersey/ Tables of Hope: Ping Pong for a Purpose



16 May 2026

Cambridge, UK BTF Walk/Run: Commemorating May 19th & Supporting Girls' Education



19 May 2026

Seattle, Washington/ Seattle Atatürk Run organized in collaboration with TACAWA

Community Events

Bike4Kids Campaign

September 2025

From September 10 to 22, 2025, a team of Turkish-American cyclists rode 950 kilometers across Eastern Türkiye, from Kars to Van, passing through Iğdır and Ağrı.

The ride supported educational access for underserved schools in the region. Organized in collaboration with the Aziz and Gwen Sancar Foundation and Bisikletliler Derneği, the campaign raised $50,063, which helped fund four fully equipped science labs in four schools.



BTF Marathon

November 2025



In November 2025, BTF launched its first Marathon, a volunteer-led fitness challenge open to supporters everywhere.

Teams from İzmir Fen Lisesi, Hacettepe University, Yıldız Technical University, Kabataş Erkek Lisesi, and Orta Doğu Teknik Üniversitesi joined in, and every kilometer they logged helped fund education projects in Türkiye. Together they raised $62,943.

Community Events

Online Events



Zoom Cafe / Global Journeys: From the Andes to the Land of the Rising Sun

7 June 2026

METU alumni shared personal travel experiences in Bolivia and Japan, fostering cultural curiosity, global perspectives, and meaningful alumni connections.



Zoom Cafe / METU Alumni Panel: Career Journeys, Leadership, and Global Perspectives

12 April 2026

METU alumni shared their professional journeys from Türkiye to leadership roles across the United States, inspiring career growth and lifelong learning.



Hayal Gücü Oyun Parkı Special Documentary Showing

15 February 2026



Women Building Futures Campaign: Empowering Education, Leadership, and Opportunity

2 March 2026

Get Involved

Discover the ways you can make a difference with BTF!



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



Get your donation matched

With corporate gift matching, your donation goes twice as far! Visit btf.help/match to find out if your employer will match your donation.



Volunteer

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 you, and we will help you donate your pooled funds safely and with transparence 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.

Giving Programs

Discover the ways you can make a difference with BTF!

Planned Giving:

Planned giving lets you support the causes you care about most as part of your broader financial and estate planning. Rather than a gift from your current income, it's one you arrange today to take effect later, whether through your will, trust, retirement account, or another financial vehicle. It's a way to make a meaningful impact, weaving generosity into your life story so your values and heritage continue shaping the world.

Donor-Advised Funds (DAF):

Giving through a DAF offers flexibility. You can support Bridge to Türkiye Fund whenever you're ready, while maximizing the impact of your charitable giving. It is a charitable giving account that allows you to make a tax-deductible contribution, invest those funds for potential tax-free growth, and recommend grants to nonprofit organizations over time.

Stock and Asset Giving:

By donating appreciated stocks, you can avoid capital gains tax and receive a charitable deduction for their full value, so more of your generosity reaches the mission and less goes to taxes, turning your investment growth into immediate, meaningful impact.

Tribute Donations & Gift Cards:



With BTF Tribute Donations, you can honor a loved one's birthday, holiday, or milestone by sending a personalized gift card, each one supporting education, health, sustainability, or disaster recovery projects that change lives.

Memorial Funds:

Believing that a true legacy grows out of kindness, compassion, and a lasting commitment to helping others, BTF Memorial Funds honor loved ones by supporting the causes closest to their hearts. With memorial funds, you can transform loss into hope and create lasting opportunities for future generations in Türkiye.



With BTF, you can give with confidence!

At BTF, transparency is a top priority.

In 2026, 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.

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