2026 Campaign Catalog

Let's build bridges of generosity for Türkiye!



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When We Put Children First, **We Elevate the World.**



Dear BTF Community,

Bridge to Türkiye Fund was founded on the belief that when everyday people come together for a shared purpose, they have the power to create real change in the lives of those in need. It is this same belief that continues to inspire and guide our service on BTF's Board of Directors.

Each of us has our own history with BTF and our own reasons for supporting its mission, but we all share a common conviction: **access to education and essential resources can make a far-reaching difference in the lives of children, students, and communities across Türkiye. And that access is the bridge to a brighter future.**

We are fortunate to witness that difference firsthand in the students who are now able to pursue their education, the teachers who receive the supplies they need for their classrooms, and the children whose faces light up thanks to the generosity of people who care.

It is these generous individuals who make up the community that has grown around BTF's mission. Over the years, we have seen volunteers dedicate their time, donors give what they can, and supporters bring together their friends and families to champion causes close to their hearts. Across countries, generations, and backgrounds, this community continues to amaze us by demonstrating what is possible when people work toward something greater than themselves.

As members of the Board, we are incredibly proud of what we have built together. But more importantly, **we are grateful**. Grateful for the trust you place in BTF, grateful for your ceaseless generosity, and grateful for the countless ways you continue to strengthen this community.

This Giving Tuesday, our theme is **Every Gift Builds a Bridge**. These words represent more than just a fundraising campaign. They represent the connections that make BTF possible. The bridge between Türkiye and our global community, the relationships we build with one another, and a shared determination to give back to our country.
Thank you for believing in this work and for being part of the BTF family that we are so proud to represent.

With immense gratitude,
Board of Directors
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What you can do.

Across Türkiye, access to educational opportunities, essential resources, and community support isn't always equal. For students, families, and communities facing these challenges, the right support can mean all the difference.

This Giving Tuesday, you can help Bridge to Türkiye Fund address these gaps through educational programs, essential supplies, scholarships, and help where it's needed most.

There are many ways to get involved:

- Make a donation
- Start a fundraiser
- Spread the word on social media
- Talk to your community about our mission

Every action, big or small, helps make a difference. Join us on December 1st.

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Make an individual donation



Choose a cause that matters to you. Whether you're supporting classrooms, providing warm coats and boots, funding university scholarships, or contributing to the Area of Greatest Need, your gift helps BTF respond to real needs across Türkiye.

Start your own fundraiser



Bring your friends, family, coworkers, or community together around a cause you care about. Starting a fundraiser is a meaningful way to multiply your impact and invite others to support BTF's programs.

Spread the word



Your voice matters! Help more people discover BTF's mission. Share our Giving Tuesday campaign on social media, talk with friends and family, or introduce our programs to your community. Every conversation creates an opportunity for someone new to get involved.

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How you can help. Support any one of our four funding priorities.



Area of Greatest Need

Flexible donations help sustain daily operations, respond to urgent needs, support year-round programs and strengthen our team and infrastructure in Türkiye.

Every donation, regardless of size, makes a difference. During this Giving Challenge, individual donations are matched, doubling their impact.



Sponsor Student Scholarships

Help talented students from low-income families continue their university education and achieve their dreams. A $1,100 scholarship can support one student for a full year.

Our goal is to provide scholarships for 27 students, raising a total of $29,700 to create better educational opportunities and brighter futures.



Donate Winter Boots & Coats

Help children in rural Türkiye stay warm and healthy during harsh winter conditions by providing essential winter clothing, including boots and coats.

Each set costs $56, and our goal is to support 136 children by raising at least $9,128 in donations.



Support a Classroom

Provide underserved classrooms with essential educational resources, including books, science kits, musical instruments, and sports equipment. Your support helps students learn and thrive.

Our goal is to support 12 schools by raising a total of $19,380.

Adopt-a-Classroom

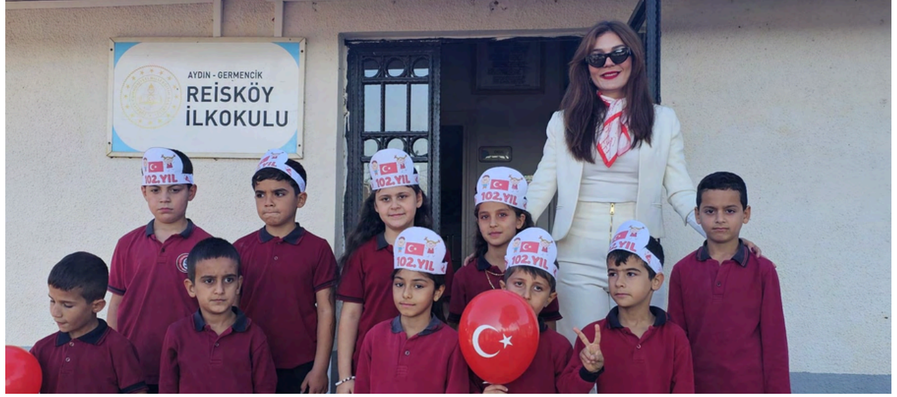
Reisköy Elementary School

Needs

- School bags & stationery
- Art Supplies
- Books (Kindergarten)

TOTAL: $1,480





Number of Students	36

School bags & Stationery	36



Aydın
Germencik **01**

Zeliha Okay, Teacher

Our students attend a disadvantaged village school with very limited financial resources. Their families are seasonal agricultural workers, making it hard to meet their economic needs. Although they may not have the same opportunities as children in the city, we consider any effort we can make through BTF to bridge that gap a success.

The kits you send will positively contribute to the children's development.

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02 Hatay, Samandağ

Necla Beyazıt Durgun, Teacher

Our school is located in the town of Çevlik, Samandağ district, and we provide transportation for our students. Most of our children come from low-income families.

I believe these educational sets will help our students build analytical thinking skills and grasp abstract mathematical concepts through concrete, hands-on examples. Your donations are reaching those who need them. Thank you very much in advance for your support.

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Number of Students | **360**



Adopt-a-Classroom

Mağaracık Elementary School

Needs

- Art Supplies
- Cognitive training games
- Science lab tools (Elementary)
- Sports equipment
- Musical instruments

TOTAL: $1,985



Adopt-a-Classroom

Azıklı Elementary School

Needs

- Books (Elementary)
- Books (Middle School)
- Musical instruments (Middle School)
- Science lab tools (Elementary)

TOTAL: $2,115





Number of Students | **200**



Şanlıurfa
Siverek
03

Sevgi Kan Minteş, Teacher

Hello, I am a teacher in Türkiye, and I do my best to make a positive difference in my students' education, however small. My students are eager to learn and full of dreams and goals. New educational tools would make it easier for them to meet their basic school needs, and they would also show my students that someone believes in them.

I know this support would help them feel valued and more confident, strengthen their sense of belonging at school, and boost their interest and motivation to learn. Thank you very much in advance for your support.

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04 **Manisa**
Soma

Ebru Balyer, Teacher

Many families at our school are facing financial hardship. These sets will make a real difference in our lessons, especially in science and music, helping us teach more effectively and making class time more productive.

The boots and coats will also help our students stay warm and comfortable through the winter. With this support, our students will be happier and look forward to coming to school each day.



Number of Students	**15**
Boots & Coats	**15**



Adopt-a-Classroom

Bozarmut Elementary School

Needs

- Musical instruments (Elementary)
- Cognitive Training Games
- Art supplies

EDUCATIONAL SET TOTAL: $895

BOOTS & COATS TOTAL: $270



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Adopt-a-Classroom

Ziraat Bankası 160. Yıl Elementary School

Needs

- Art supplies
- Sports equipment
- Books (Elementary)
- Cognitive training games

TOTAL: $1,620





Number of Students | **150**



Şanlıurfa
Haliliye

05

Merve Çetinpolat, Teacher

Hello! I am a classroom teacher in Şanlıurfa, Türkiye. My students are curious, eager to learn, and full of dreams, but many families rely on irregular daily wages, making books and educational materials difficult to afford.

This support will provide more equal learning opportunities, encourage reading habits, expand vocabulary, and strengthen comprehension skills. Art supplies, sports equipment, and educational games will also help students express themselves, stay active, improve their focus, and develop problem-solving skills.

My greatest wish is to help every child discover the joy of reading, build their own little library, and reach their full potential. **Even a small donation can make a big difference. Thank you for believing in our students and sharing in their dreams!**

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06 Hatay
Hassa

Zehra Balcı, Teacher

Ours is a village school with limited resources, and most families in our region earn modest incomes from seasonal farming, raising livestock, or daily wage work, leaving little for their children's educational and social needs. This support will help close the gap in teaching materials and open the door to more equal opportunities in education.

I believe these materials will spark our students' interest in lessons and boost their motivation to learn. Most importantly, knowing that they are remembered and supported will strengthen their self-confidence, deepen their connection to school, and encourage them to dream bigger about their futures. On behalf of all my students and myself, thank you for this generous gift and for caring about our children's future from so far away.

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Number of Students | **25**

Boots & Coats | **21**

Schoolbags &Stationery | **25**



Adopt-a-Classroom

Haydarlar Elementary School

Needs

- Cognitive training games
- School bags & stationery
- Books (Elementary)
- Sports Equipment
- Musical instruments (Elementary)

EDUCATIONAL SETS TOTAL: $2,060

BOOTS & COATS TOTAL: $1,176



Adopt-a-Classroom

Pınarlıbacı Elementary/ Middle School

Needs

- Sports equipment

EUCATIONAL SETS TOTAL: $495

BOOTS & COATS TOTAL: $3,192





Number of Students | **57**

Boots & Coats | **57**



Sakarya
Pamukova
07

Volkan Malkoçoğlu, Teacher

Most families at our school depend on farming, earning income only once or twice a year after the harvest. Droughts and poor harvests can make even basic school expenses difficult to afford. Warm coats and waterproof boots are also a heavy financial burden during harsh winters.

This support will help our children stay warm, healthy, and safe on their way to school, allowing them to attend regularly and focus on learning. Sports equipment will encourage teamwork, cooperation, sharing, and friendship among students.

Above all, this kindness from people across the world will remind our children that they are not alone, that they are valued, and that others believe in their dreams. **Your support brings them confidence, a sense of belonging, and brighter smiles every day.**

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08 Kars
Selim

Esat Çiğnitaş , Teacher

Many families in our village have modest incomes, and some face financial hardship. For our students, this support will be a great source of motivation and opportunity. Books will encourage a love of reading, while science equipment will help younger students learn through hands-on experiments.

Musical instruments and sports equipment will allow them to express themselves, work together, and enjoy school life. Warm boots and coats will also help them stay comfortable and focused during winter.

Your support will inspire our students, encourage active learning, and help them move towards a brighter future. **Most importantly, your kindness has brought genuine happiness to the children in our village.**

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Number of Students	**62**
Boots & Coats	**62**



Adopt-a-Classroom

Gelinalan Eczacı Canan Bergişadi Elementary & Secondary School

Needs

- Musical instruments (Elementary)
- Sports equipment
- Books (Elementary)
- Science lab tools (Elementary)
- Books (Middle)

EDUCATIONAL SETS TOTAL: $2,610

BOOTS & COATS TOTAL: $3,472



Adopt-a-Classroom

Ertuğrul Gazi Middle School

Needs

- School bags & stationery
- Sports equipment
- Musical instruments (Middle School)

EDUCATIONAL SETS TOTAL: $2,340

BOOTS & COATS TOTAL: $1,575





Number of Students	357

Boots & Coats	63



Ağrı
Patnos
09

Cemile Akgül Tamgöz, Teacher

Dear friends, I have been teaching at this school for six years. Most of our students come from working-class and farming families, and many struggle to afford even the simplest supplies for their lessons. School bags and stationery will help our students come to class prepared and concentrate on learning, while warm boots and coats will keep them comfortable through the winter.

Other equipment will help them build teamwork, responsibility, and friendship, while helping them discover their talents. Despite every difficulty, we are a school that believes in equal opportunities in education and is excited about our students'success. I believe these gifts will brighten the curiosity and eagerness in our children's eyes, add color to their world, and broaden their horizons. We are deeply grateful for your kindness.

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10 İstanbul
Esenyurt

Özge Tümçelik, Teacher

Many of our students' families rely on a single income, making stationery an important investment in their children's education.
By providing these sets, we aim to meet students' basic school needs, ensure equal opportunities, and ease the financial burden on their families.

Having their own supplies helps students feel confident, included, and ready to learn. More than providing materials, we want to show them that they are supported and valued, inspire their love of learning, and encourage them to dream of a brighter future.

Thank you for making a difference in our children's education and believing in their dreams.

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Number of Students	2065
School bags & stationery	81

Adopt-a-Classroom

Sebahattin Zaim Elementary School

Needs

- School bags & stationery

TOTAL: $2,025



Adopt-a-Classroom

Yastıca Elementary School

Needs

- Cognitive training games
- Musical instruments (Elementary)
- Science lab tools (Elementary)

EDUCATIONAL SETS TOTAL: $1,160

BOOTS & COATS TOTAL: $448





Number of Students	8
Boots & Coats	8



Kilis
Musabeyli
11

Kübra Tüm, Teacher

We are a village school where children with limited resources but big dreams come to learn. Our students are curious, eager to learn, and full of joy. They especially love reading, playing games, drawing, and making music.

However, they have fewer educational opportunities than children in city schools, making every bit of support valuable. The educational kits will provide more than just materials; they will help our students discover their talents, express themselves, build confidence, and take a more active part in school activities. Through music and group activities, they will also learn to share, cooperate, and work as a team.

Your kindness will bring new opportunities, inspire young minds, and put smiles on our children's faces.

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12 **Sakarya**
Pamukova

Zübeyde Karadeniz, Teacher

We can conduct experiments with science lab equipment, and our students will learn more deeply through hands-on experience. I believe that experiments will increase students' curiosity, motivation to research, and interest in science.

The families of students at our school generally face financial hardship. We thank you for giving our students the chance to experience equal opportunities with others.



Number of Students | **326**



Adopt-a-Classroom

Cumhuriyet Elementary School

Needs

- Science lab tools (Elementary)

TOTAL: $595



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