





Spread the holiday spirit by purchasing a gift for a child in need. Celebrate your loved ones and see their faces light up when they open their personalized honoree card.

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# Seasons Greetings Friends and Supporters

We are deeply grateful for the generous support you have entrusted to Brittany's Hope, and for the loving heart behind each gift. It's your "invisible caring hearts" which enables us to provide the visible resources to relieve the suffering of children.

Brittany's Hope, as an organization, has come a long way during the 19 years since our inception. Born out of the grief after the loss of an adopted daughter, we have become a source of hope and healing for thousands of orphaned and abandoned children. *Empowered by your support, we have had the privilege of assisting in the adoption of over 1,400 children*. Additionally, we have witnessed the remarkable milestones reached by these children as well as the thousands of orphaned children who receive direct care through our overseas partnerships.

We continue to be amazed by the strength and resiliency of these incredible children. Despite experiencing loss and trauma, many have flourished into amazing young adults. It's truly your "invisible caring hearts" which lifts these children out of hopeless situations, puts them into loving homes and gives them the strength and ability to take control of their future. Even more wonderful, these young people go out into the world and create positive change in their families, communities, and countries. Your support has an astonishing far reaching impact.

In 19 years, we've made great advances through our mission and we will continue to ensure more orphaned children with special needs are placed with capable, loving families. *Recognizing the challenges and complexities of dealing with the orphan crisis, we are committed to move forward with sustainable, solution-focused programs* to protect and care for these children in their local environments. At the same time, *your support is helping us develop new approaches to strengthen families and reduce the need for orphanages.* 

It's without question the lifesaving work of Brittany's Hope could not be realized without you. *Please consider a special holiday gift to further this great work.* Then sit back and *envision the smile on a child's face.* 

Warm holiday wishes and a fruitful New Year,

Mai-Lynn Abel Sahd, MSW Adoptee, Viet Nam 1995 Executive Director



Uplifting stories of adoption give us a peek into a child's story. It is rare to be so intimately involved in knowing not only a child's past and present, but also their future. Uyen's story is unique — found abandoned and just a few days old, she came into the care of the Sisters at the House of Love in Viet Nam, where she was immediately loved by all.

While we are unable to account for the first few days of Uyen's life, we have had the privilege to play a large part in her story. **Empowered by your support**, and the support of Uyen's sponsor family in the United States, **her every need was met** — medication, nutrition, and education, along with the less tangible emotional needs of care and support. Because Uyen was loved in her early formative years, she developed into a confident pre-teen. **It was Uyen's confidence that gave her the courage to advocate for what she really wanted** — *a permanent family through adoption*.

As things happened, Uyen met Alexis Le, a Brittany's Hope advocate, on a service trip to Viet Nam. Alexis' experience and relationship with Uyen and other children **ignited her desire to parent a child through adoption.** Alexis felt so connected to Uyen that she knew she was meant to be a bigger part of Uyen's story — forever! In 2018, with assistance from a Brittany's Hope Adoption Grant, Uyen was adopted by Alexis. **We know, because of you, Uyen's life was transformed.** 

Now part of a family, **Uyen is loved, valued, validated, and seen.** Since coming home, Uyen and her parents have bonded. This was all made possible because of Uyen's early life experiences at the House of Love.

This beautiful young lady's story is a **true testament to the two-fold approach of the work you make possible** — not only nurturing and supporting these children in-country, but also providing them with a greater chance to join a loving home.

Make a gift today to help another child have a strong foundation for a successful future.

Adoption Grant \$1,000 each

### Education

An education is worth its weight in gold. Giving a gift, such as a bike or school supplies, will give kids the confidence they need to succeed. Your donation will change the path of their future from poverty to abundance.



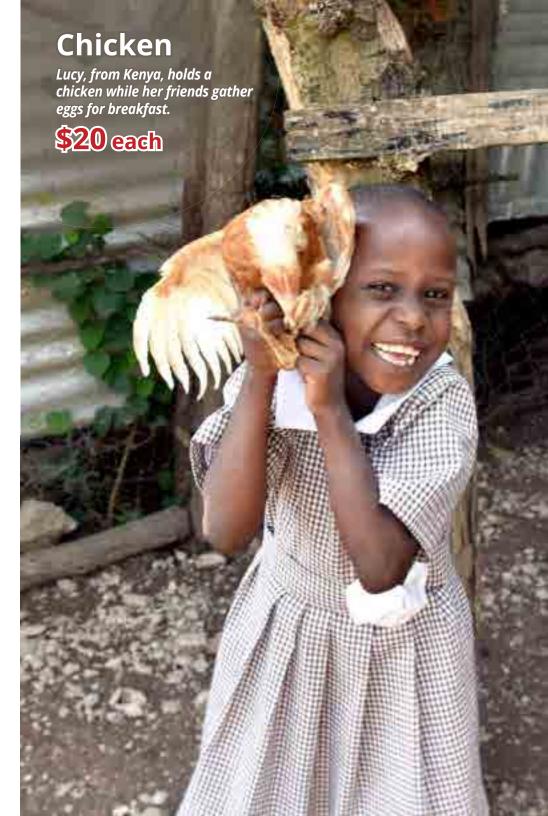


# Nutrition

This holiday season consider adopting a nutrition theme by giving fruit trees, chickens, and pigs. Spread joy and nurture children with these low maintenance, sustainable resources.









## **Health Care**

Give the gift of a healthier life by providing vaccines, mosquito nets, and adaptive equipment this holiday season.





### **Clean Water**

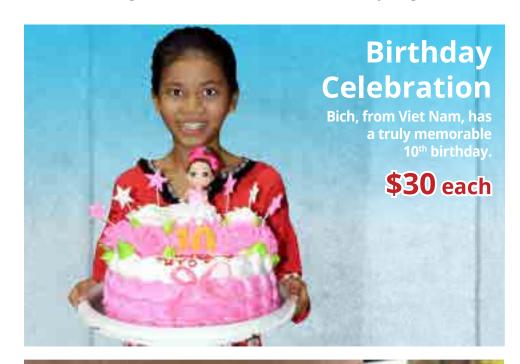
Water, essential to all life, is a precious commodity in many regions of the world. Women and children travel long distances to collect water, sometimes putting themselves at risk.





### **Sponsorship**

Be the difference in a child's life. Give a child all the necessities to thrive including education, connection, and more with your gift.





# A Life Transformed

Before 2003, Lucas' life consisted of sleeping, eating, and surviving on the streets in the Kibera slum of Nairobi. Like many invisible street children, Lucas dwelled in one of the most violent places in Kenya. A chance encounter with a partner of Brittany's Hope turned Lucas' life around. Never in his wildest dreams did Lucas believe that at 24-years-old he would be in his final university year, studying Economics. "It would be a great understatement to say life changed for the better since I first joined the Ukweli Home of Hope, but I would qualify it by saying life became the best for me."

Reflecting on his transformation, Lucas credits the care and support he receives from Brittany's Hope. It allows him to pursue his education, while learning the important life skills of hard work, responsibility, and accountability. Lucas takes great pride in the changes he's made in his life and the dedication he's poured into his education. Lucas is also fully aware of and grateful for the opportunities afforded to him by Brittany's Hope and his sponsor family. "My life is far from perfect, I face challenges daily, but I know I am in a far better position than most. It motivates me knowing there are people who care and believe in me. I am encouraged to work hard and not take my education for granted. I vow to continue to the highest level of education."

Lucas is a wonderful example of the success of our Child Sponsorship program and of our HOPE Education program. Respected among his peers, Lucas is a **great leader for younger boys.** He encourages them to "embrace their life challenges as they will pass with time and use them as stepping stones" for their future. Speaking of the future, Lucas looks forward to his university graduation in December, and dreams of pursing a master's degree in Economics. Reflecting on other university students in our programs, Lucas' dreams and drive are mirrored in every story. Supporting these young adults as they become change-makers in their own communities will create an enormous ripple effect.

We sincerely hope these stories of change have brought as much joy to your heart as they do to ours. Please support us this holiday season in advancing the work of Brittany's Hope aiding abandoned children.

Scholarship \$150 / month



# Spread Hope

Right before the holidays, we'll send your designated honoree a handwritten card describing how you've changed a life in their name.

The prices and items in this guide are accurate and represent a need somewhere in our programs. Your donation will, in fact, purchase an item in a needed category. If your gift has been fulfilled, our staff will contact you to discuss your intentions.

### **Holiday Gift Guide**

Complete this form or give online: www.BrittanysHope.org/gift

Description	Qty	Amount
Adaptive Equipment		x \$50 ea
Bicycle		x \$110 ea
Birthday Celebration		x \$30 ea
Chicken		x \$20 ea
Fruit Tree		x \$30 ea
Mosquito Net		x \$25 ea
Pig		x \$80 ea
Scholarship		x \$150/mth
Vaccine		x \$15 ea
Water Drum		x \$25 ea
Water Tank		x \$65 ea
Adoption Grant	\$	x \$1,000 ea
Child Sponsorship	\$	x \$37/mth
General Donation	\$	
Total	\$	

### **Billing Address**

Full Name:			
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
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#### **Payment Information**

Credit Card	Check (Included)
Card Number:	
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### **Gift In Honor Of**

Honor a friend or loved one through your life-changing gift to a child.

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#### **General Admission \$15**

- Wagon Rides with Hot Cocoa
- Photos with Santa
- Campfire with S'mores
- Pony Rides
- Cookie Decorating

#### VIP Admission \$30

- Includes All General Admission Activities
- Breakfast with Santa in The Star Barn (seating times 8 AM - 10 AM)
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