The year 2020 presented challenges to the mission of MADE IN THE STREETS unlike anything we’ve seen in our history. But MITS is no stranger to challenge. Since our launch in 1995, the team in Kenya has faced difficulties of all kinds - from civil unrest to political uncertainty to lack of resources - and continues to overcome hardships to show the love of Jesus to thousands of kids living on the streets of Nairobi. This past year will be remembered for many things, but my hope is you remember it as a year of resiliency. In the midst of a pandemic, your support helped make 2020 a year of new opportunities, lessons learned, faithful determination, and a launching into the next 25 years of service. I can't wait to see what’s next!

-Brad Voss,
Execute Director

STREETS

The Eastleigh team served 680 street kids and 8,840 meals in 2020.

22 different street bases were visited.

SCHOOL

Twenty-eight street kids left the streets and became students at MADE IN THE STREETS.

Fifteen students graduated from MITS.

SENDING

100% of MITS graduates from 2019 are working or going to school.

115 alumni are a part of our Into the World program for graduates of MITS.
PARTNERS

TOTAL GIVING: $737,495

- INDIVIDUAL/FAMILIES: $382,414 (52%)
- CHURCHES: $206,931 (28%)
- GRANTS: $148,150 (20%)

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES: $699,365

- PROGRAMS: $603,115 (86%)
- FUNDRAISING: $54,430 (8%)
- ADMINISTRATION: $41,820 (6%)

551 Total donors

12 Number of church partners

$765 Average donations by individual or family

$3-45,000 Range of donations from individual or family

Contribution Growth By Year

- 2016: $522,495
- 2017: $638,345
- 2018: $697,015
- 2019: $765,695
- 2020: $737,495

CHURCHES

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GRANTS

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STORIES OF THE YEAR

This year has come with many surprises: one being that a lockdown and a quarantine can actually bring a community closer together. At the start of the pandemic, when the Kenyan government initiated a lockdown and required face coverings, MITS sewing instructor, Olive, got to work! With the help of a few others, she made face masks for MITS staff and students, for street kids in Eastleigh, and for many in the community of Kamulu. Throughout this year, we have learned more what it looks like to be a good neighbor and consistently seen that we are stronger together.

MITS IMPACT REPORT

For young girls living on the streets, life can be especially difficult. Not only are fear, hunger, and abuse a common occurrence; basic hygiene needs are almost impossible to get met. Because of this, the MITS Eastleigh team started a program to Give Girls a Bright Future. They are able to develop relationships, share the gospel, and provide hygienic resources specifically for street girls, consisting of reusable sanitary towels, soap, and inner-wears. This program helps meet physical needs but is also providing a safe place for young girls to come and find hope.

Cynthia is the second born in a family of six siblings. When she was ten years old, her mother told her she was not her biological mother; and, ever since, she has felt like an outsider in her family. This led to a damaged and estranged relationship.

After being mistreated by her mother and suffering at home, Cynthia started running away and sleeping on the streets. She began using drugs and would often go to school high.

She has a gentle spirit and a willingness to learn; but, like any child, she needs support and resources to thrive. After building a relationship with MITS street team, Cynthia chose to join our boarding school in Kamulu and is now going to school and receiving love and support.