



Sending HOPE

Operation Smile
Student Programs

When the world locked down, Operation Smile Student Programs stepped up.

First, we teamed up with local restaurants to feed and fuel thousands of hospital workers across the United States, Paraguay and Panama. Then, we turned to families hard hit by the pandemic and provided them with more than 20,000 meals.

Now, we're tending to our youngest patients in Nicaragua by sending care packages with everything to keep them healthy - from facemasks to food bundles.

Operation Smile's global network of student advocates is working together to rally supplies and donations to ensure our patients have everything they need to make the best of these challenging times.

We're Sending Hope. And we need your help.

ALWAYS FINDING A WAY



The COVID-19 pandemic has changed a lot about daily life, but nothing could ever change our drive to help others - it only pushed us to do even more.



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HOW CAN YOU HELP & HOW DOES IT WORK?



If you live in Europe, you'll be working with student volunteers from Nicaragua



It costs \$36 U.S. to feed a family for one week



We want to help 1,000 families across Nicaragua



Operation Smile will collect the donations and send them to our foundation in Nicaragua at the end of the campaign

Our goal for these packages is to address two fundamental needs of our patients: hygiene products and nutrition.

Without access to these important resources, many patients could fall ill or be malnourished – which means it could be too dangerous for them to undergo the surgical care they desperately need. **Here's how you can help:**

- **Help us fundraise for meals for our patients and their families.** It costs \$36 U.S. to feed a family for one week. Every Euro helps us provide necessary nutrition for our patients and their families while boosting the local economy.
- **Share, share, share!** [Use your social media](#) platforms to spread the word and connect with local businesses in your community!



POWER FUNDRAISING

We have a network of global students who have access to resources and will fundraise to support items for our Sending Hope Packages.



POWER DELIVERY

Our global network of students are willing to do what it takes to get these packages to our patients in order to serve them during this challenging time.



POWERFUL IMPACT

Patients can't get surgery if they're ill or malnourished. These packages give our patients access to nutrition and health care items that will help them access care.