

2020

# **Jamaica Youth Education Support**

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Unfortunately this year continues to be a challenge worldwide, leaving no one that has not been affected one way or another. Jamaica YES has continued its mission of supporting the underserved school children in Jamaica. During this last quarter, we raised monies from our children's backpack event (35 backpacks, raising \$320) and Panda Express virtual fundraiser (raising \$130). There was also Giving Tuesday in December and the year round Amazon Smile benefit.

<u>UPDATE:</u> Emergency Food Assistance (EFA) Program Continues: Physical school attendance in Jamaica was replaced by online instruction in March for the remainder of the 2019/2020 academic year to prevent the spread of the Coronavirus and has continued into the start of the 2020/2021 school year. The continued problem of students who would normally receive a meal at the schools supported by Jamaica YES, no longer had that access to meals. At the beginning of the 2020/2021 school year, which was delayed until October 5<sup>th</sup>, Jamaica YES continued to provide EFA funding in coordination with the Principals, teachers and volunteers at schools requesting assistance. As of this time, over **468** food insecure families were provided with EFA packages containing food and supplies. EFA will be continued until school returns to 'in person' learning.

### **SCHOOL YEAR**

**2021** 

**1,800** # of meals funded to underserved students per week

**4,300** # of yearly roundtrip school transportation funded

8 # of schools supported for this school year



School children picking up their Emergency Food Assistance packages.





**Adopt-A- Hwy** - Adopt-A-Hwy litter clean up responsibilities.

Panda Express Virtual Fundraiser – Jamaica YES members are part of many across the US who participated in this fundraiser.



Toys for Tots –
Children's backpacks donated to Toys for Tots.
Monies received go to
assisting the school children's breakfast program



# **2021 EVENTS**

- NEW: Virtual Fundraiser
   Friday, Feb 5th Panda Express Virtual
   Fundraiser for US Residents
  - **Additional information to follow**
- NEW: GOLF TOURNAMENT Saturday, April 17th 1:00pm Coyote Ridge Golf Club, Carrollton, TX Additional information to follow
- UPDATE: Fall Gala Fundraiser has been rescheduled to Fall 2021.

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

 Saturday, April 17th - Golf Tournament Coyote Ridge Golf Club Carrollton, TX

Volunteer opportunities for this event will be outdoors and follow CDC guidelines.

For additional volunteer opportunities, please check out our

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**Donations** can be made at <a href="https://jamaicayes.org/donate">https://jamaicayes.org/donate</a>

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