

# Set Yourself Apart



by Group FUNdraising  
with Embrace Relief



**Leadership,  
communication,  
teamwork and  
compassion -**



these are four key attributes that every college admissions department and prospective employer is looking for. With the help of Embrace Relief, you can demonstrate all of these attributes (and more), all while helping people in need around the world, by starting your own Group FUNdraiser!

A Group FUNdraiser gives you the opportunity to team up with your friends, family, school club or community organization to raise money for a worthwhile humanitarian project of your choice. **By successfully completing a Group FUNdraiser, you will positively affect the lives of people and communities around the globe.** All the while, you'll gain valuable experience and life skills, meet and work with new people, learn more about our world, and stand out from the crowd by accomplishing something unique, personal, and impactful.





# What Is Embrace Relief and Group FUNdraising?

Founded in 2008, we are a New Jersey-based nonprofit humanitarian organization whose mission is to support vulnerable people – the poor, the hungry, the thirsty, the sick, the unhoused, the old and the young – everywhere we can. We focus many of our efforts in Africa, particularly the countries of Chad, Cameroon, Nigeria, Tanzania, Uganda and Kenya. Our eight programs address the most basic human needs for people who cannot provide for themselves. These programs include:



But we can only succeed thanks to people who care deeply about helping people – like you. That's why Embrace Relief offers a variety of ways for you to get involved, including volunteer opportunities throughout the year.



**Group FUNdraising** is another way you can make the world a better place. Through Group FUNdraising, Embrace Relief puts you in the driver's seat, allowing you to personally select your own project and see it through to completion. You may also have the opportunity to travel to the country you're supporting and meet the local people whose lives you will have forever changed.

**To date, more than 50 clubs and organizations have completed a Group FUNdraiser with Embrace Relief, with thousands of lives changed for the better in a sustainable way.**

# Benefits of Group FUNdraising:

First and foremost, **each Group FUNdraising project provides vulnerable people with something they badly need to survive and thrive.** And while you may not be able to solve all the world's problems with one fundraiser, **every single completed project helps.**

As an example, consider one of our recent Group FUNdraisers, completed by a group of students from the **Sky Academy in New Jersey.** Their project involved the **construction of a modern bathroom facility at a school in Tanzania.** That might sound like no big deal. But because the Academy worked hard and completed their project, **students in that community in Tanzania now go to school each day in a much more sanitary environment.** They'll benefit from reduced spread of diseases and higher rates of school attendance and educational success. And that will be true for the students in that school next year, and the year after that, and so on.

**No project is too small to help a large number of people.** And if you'd like to start a Group FUNdraiser, there are plenty of options which support Embrace Relief's core humanitarian programs in the places where we operate. They include, but are not limited to:



Building a  
Water Well



Renovating  
an Orphanage



Renovating a  
School or  
Library



Providing  
school supplies



Providing  
Cataract  
surgeries



Providing  
certified health  
checkups



Providing  
food  
packages



# You Benefit, Too

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But you can also benefit personally from working with Embrace Relief on a Group FUNdraiser. For starters, **it is a volunteer project that you can add to your resume or college application.** Completing a project requires hard work and dedication, and doing so will also help you and your fellow group members refine important life skills like **leadership, commitment, time management, and interacting with new people.** These are the kinds of experiences and attributes that are coveted by colleges and employers.

Depending on which project you choose, **you could also have the chance to visit a new part of the world, immerse yourself in a new culture, and have the opportunity to gain a sense of purpose, fulfillment, and compassion.** You would have the **opportunity to meet the very people you are helping,** and you may even inspire others to follow in your shoes. As we at Embrace Relief can tell you, making others' lives better is a wonderful, energizing thing – it just feels good to do.

Finally, because Embrace Relief is a nonprofit organization, if you decide to become a Group FUNdraiser volunteer, **you may also be eligible to win very prestigious awards recognizing your work, boosting your resume or college application even further.**

If you are **between the ages of 5 and 26,** your volunteer work with Embrace Relief could qualify you to receive the **President's Volunteer Service Award,** which recognizes people who are making a difference in their communities and inspiring others to do so. Depending on your age, you can qualify for an award by volunteering for at least 26 hours (age 5-10), 50 hours (age 11-15), or 100 hours (age 16-26).



If you are **between the ages of 14 and 24,** you can qualify to receive **Congressional Award,** which recognizes young people throughout the U.S. who show initiative, service and achievement in helping others. With 30 hours of work on your Group FUNdraiser project, you would be eligible for a Congressional Award Bronze Certificate; the more hours you put in, the higher tier of award you can earn, and the more recognition you and your group members receive.



# Let's Get Started!

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No matter which humanitarian aid project interests you most, there are millions of people around the world in need, and the best time to start helping them is right now. So get started on a Group FUNdraiser today and begin a life-changing journey with the potential to benefit many people around the world – including yourself.

**Gather your group, pick a cause, and then visit [www.embracerelief.org/start-a-project](http://www.embracerelief.org/start-a-project) to fill out the application form.** Once your application is approved, it's time to start raising money for your cause. You'll receive all the support you'll need from Embrace Relief, including a fundraising website and marketing materials. **But the rest is up to you.**





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