## DRNACH INTERNATIONAL INC

**2021 ANNUAL REPORT**

The pandemic continued to highlight hardships for many of us here and across the globe. From social distancing, sanitizing, creative learning and vaccine rollouts, our

partners continued to show flexibility to meet the needs of their communities. In our third year, we continued to work closely with our partners to provide monetary

support to achieve their intended activities.

Your donations supported many aspects of a child's learning experience. In Jukwa, Ghana, donations continue to support teacher salaries as they navigate the world of hybrid learning and offset student's tuition payments, which allowed children to

continue to learn to become leaders of the future. In Merida, Mexico, donations

allowed for the continuation of educational and therapy services to children during a time where funding threatened their availability.

We are fortunate to have a personal relationship with the individuals who run the

programs you support. We assure you that 100% of your donation is used directly to benefit overall well-being and education as the community sees fit. While 2021 was a challenging year for many, together we alleviated hardships.

**Mission:** To support the education and well-being of children and families in developing countries

**Vision:** All persons have an equal opportunity to a basic education and health services.

Established January 16, 2019

###### Grace Drnach-Bonaventura

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## FINANCIAL REPORT 2021

Total Raised

# $2,323.37

Total Donated

# $2,545

##### Individual Donors

Individual donors were the main source of funding in 2021.

**Masks and Giving Tuesday**

Through the generosity of volunteers who sewed masks, DI continued to raise donations through distributing masks and contributions through Giving Tuesday.

##### Other

Other donations include Facebook Birthday campaigns and donations from AmazonSmile.

**2021 Donations Disbursements**

###### This past year, Drnach International distributed $2,400

Jukwa, Ghana Merida, Mexico

International Wiring Fees

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###### It is important to us that our partners spend the donation as **they see best fit** for the well-being of their communities. DI covers the cost of international wiring fees, and ensures the donations arrive to our respected partners.

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**DIVINE KIDS ACADEMY**

A MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER

During the height of the pandemic, Ghanaian schools were closed down by the government for 10 months to reduce the spread of COVID-19. There were changes when schools resumed. Schools **changed from trimester** (three terms in an academic year) to **semester** calendars by the government.

DKA also **experienced changes** as schools reopened:

Out of a total of 15 pre-pandemic staff members (teaching -13 and non-teaching -2), **only 3 teaching staff returned** to the school.

New staff members were employed in the first week of reopening and one of the more experienced staff members was appointed the **head of academics.**

Thanks to a thorough orientation, the staff members **blended easily.**

DKA had our first teachers’ **social outing** in July 1st at the Heritage Beach. It was great.

**The school has approximately 350 students, 11 teachers, and 4 non- teaching staff.**

**Students take classes such as English, French, Music, Science, Math, Computer Literacy, and Physical Education.**



DKA organized an **academic training program** for all the teachers

in 6th August.

The first meeting for the **10th Anniversary Program** was held in November 2021.

**Student Achievements in 2021:**

Reading and spelling **greatly improved** due to the formation of

**Language Club** in the school.

Weekly mathematics exams were introduced, **improving** the standard in mathematics.

The students at DKA had the first **Christmas Carol Service** on 11th December to close the academic year.

DKA received support from DI International in 2021. From that support (approximately):

**Canteen (Food) Supplement**- $700 **School Maintenance** - $150 **Teacher/staff salary** for 6 months - $460

-Written by: **Kwame Appiah-Kubi, Founder of Divine Kids Academy**

**One student's tuition costs $36 for the year, which is the main source for teacher salaries.**

**DI aims to support all students regardless of financial means and supports equal and fair pay to teachers.**

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### 2021 PARTNERS

#### DIVINE KIDS ACADEMY, JUKWA GHANA

Founded by Patrick Appiah-Kubi "Kwame"(middle adult in photo), Divine Kids Academy (DKA) was established to give

children a firm foundation for a quality education. DKA strives to continue to operate so no child is denied an education, or a lunch, due to lack of finances.

DKA celebrated its 9th year and serves over 350 students.

This year, the DKA team and DI are partnering to celebrate the upcoming 10 year anniversary of the school in 2022.

#### SOL Y LUNA AND ASOCIACION CONSTRUYENDO SONRISAS, MERIDA, MEXICO

Sol y Luna is a nonprofit social assistance project for boys and girls with intellectual disabilities from low-income families. This project provides an environment for social assistance, health, and nutrition and accommodates parents who have a working

schedule. The Asociación Construyendo Sonrisas raises the quality of life for persons with motor and/or mental disabilities through comprehensive and personalized

programs of physical and educational therapies.

### UPCOMGING EVENTS

Divine Kids Academic will be celebrating their 10th Anniversary in October 2022. DI, DKA, and friends of DKA are working together to organize a virtual celebration to highlight student and teacher success, support future initiatives, and honor

the commitment of the school. Check our social media pages for more details throughout the year.

We will continue our fundraising efforts throughout 2022 to continue to support our partners. Donations can be made directly on our website, through [PayPal](https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=BNWTPEQ3X4KDS),

[Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/drnachinternationalincorporated), or Venmo (@Drnach). Donations can also be mailed to Drnach International 2224 Parklyn Street, Pittsburgh PA 15234.