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LOVE MUST ACT

Partnerships for Sustainable Education

LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Dear Friends,

Love Must Act's work in 2019 has filled me with hope. We have advanced our work at the Holy Cross School in Grahamstown, South Africa by completing the renovation of a building for new classroom space. We have now added both fourth and fifth grade classes. Our enrollment continues to grow.

We did so, as always, in partnership—partnership with the Order of the Holy Cross, which gave the building; the Mary Oppenheimer & Daughters Foundation, which funded the renovation; and our wonderful staff on the ground in Grahamstown, which made everything possible by their dedication, hard work, and vision.

I'm hopeful, too, about our new project—the Ophthalmic Nurse Specialty Training Program in Gaza. Despite delays caused by breakouts of violence, the first intensive training week took place January 6-10. There were 224 applicants. Sixteen students were selected (13 women and 3 men). Everything went extremely well. The program was conducted by our partner, the St John Eye Hospital Group of Jerusalem and was funded by the generosity of the Diocese of Texas.

Both the Grahamstown and Gaza projects take place in some of the most desperate circumstances imaginable. Our South African students are some of the most vulnerable in the country, almost all of them living well below the poverty line. Many are subject to unspeakable abuse. Isolation is common. Our Gazan students are caught in a cycle of extreme poverty and escalating violence. By any measurement, optimism is simply not reasonable.

Love Must Act exists to introduce hope where optimism is not possible. And we've made progress. We have hope to show for what we've done in 2019. That's what we've learned. Optimism is well and good. Hope is more important. It is because hope lives where optimism fears to go. Optimism is a luxury. Hope is essential.

Our partnerships make hope possible. And they result in gratitude. Our heartfelt thanks go to all of you.

In hope,

Stacy, F. Sauls

Holy Cross School Grahamstown, South Africa

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world”

~ Nelson Mandela



2019 Funding for Holy Cross School: **\$212,668**

Renovation of **New Classroom Building**

New Admissions, **Conduct and Religious School Policies**

Added **Grade 4** in 2019
Added **Grade 5** in 2020

Instituted Benefits Improvements: **Pension and Death Benefits**

Implementation of **New Fee Structure**

Achieved Independent **School Accreditation**

Began **Monthly Performance Assessments**

South African School Administration Monitoring System (Allows more accurate assessment of the needs of our students)



Ophthalmic Nursing Specialty Program In Partnership with the St. John Eye Hospital Group.



2019 Funding: \$11,000

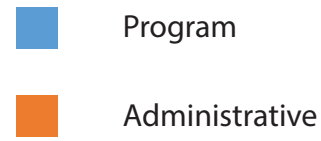
224 applicants; 13 students
(13 women/3 men).

First intensive class week:
January 6-10, 2020

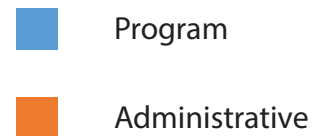
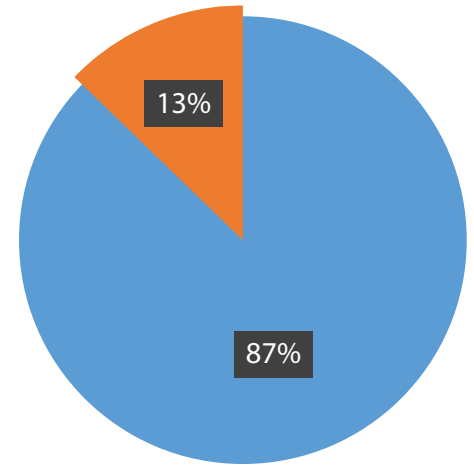


REVENUE

	2019 Actual	2020 Proposed
Fundraisers and Events	\$10,561	\$25,000
Gifts from Staff and Board	\$24,541	\$20,000
Grants	\$141,000	\$200,000
Individual Partners	\$35,484	\$35,000
Share Plan	\$8,965	\$65,000
OHC Partnership	\$75,000	\$-
Consulting	\$-	\$30,000
Carryover	\$50,000	\$30,000
Total	\$345,551	\$405,000



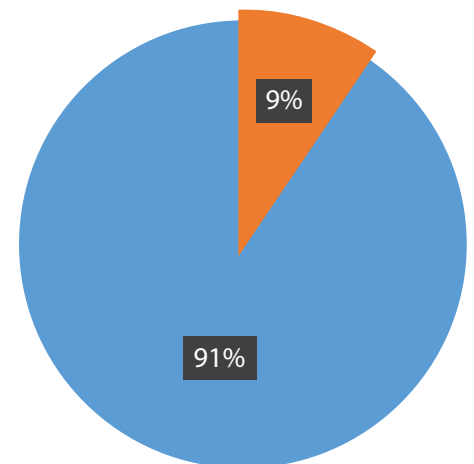
2019 Actual Expenses



EXPENSES

	2019 Actual	2020 Proposed
Program	\$262,775	\$321,287
Administration	\$38,008	\$33,230
Total	\$300,783	\$350,517

2020 Proposed Expenses



Grants Received by Love Must Act in 2019

St. Luke's Episcopal Foundation, Salisbury, North Carolina

Shields Family Foundation, Houston, Texas

Gregory-Greenberg Foundation for Children, Pasadena, California

The Diocese of Texas, Houston, Texas

The Diocese of Rochester, Rochester, New York

St. James, Hendersonville, North Carolina

Mary Oppenheimer & Daughters Foundation, Johannesburg, South Africa

The Freudenheim Family, London, England

Nippon Sei Ko Kai (Anglican Communion in Japan)

Our supporters include:

12 Clergy

5 Monks

8 Episcopal Bishops

5 Episcopal Dioceses

11 Congregations and Monastic Houses

93 Other Individuals



A YOUNG LIFE DEDICATED TO SERVICE FORMED AT THE HOLY CROSS SCHOOL:

THE REV. CAMERON SPOOR



In 2011, an e-mail from a friend led Cameron Spoor of Austin, Texas to apply for the Young Adult Service Corps, a year of mission work at the Holy Cross School in Grahamstown, South Africa and a long term commitment to Love Must Act and its continuing mission to bring life- changing education to those who might otherwise never have the opportunity.

His time at the Grahamstown Holy Cross School, which is now steadily evolving under Love Must Act, led him to life-changing realizations and a monthly contribution to Love Must Act.

“Holy Cross School meets direct needs head on with sensitivity and awareness of their context and the needs of the community. My own understanding of mission is sharing our experience of Christ with others and hearing their experience of Christ. It is not a static, one-way giving, but an organic experience of being changed as much as we are offering change—a logical extension of the act of sharing. While we are called to mission work within our own context as well, when the mission work takes place within two different cultures, there is a greater learning, a greater enrichment,” says Spoor.

Cameron began seminary three years after his return from South Africa, and now serves at St. David’s in Austin. “It behooves us to keep a finger on the pulse of what God is doing outside of our own context,” he says. “It helps me be more grounded to know that our own God is the same God of these children at Holy Cross. It strengthens my conviction to help this work.”



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“Love must act as light must shine and fire must burn.”

*- Fr. James Otis Sargent Huntington, OHC
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