



The Foundation's project helps Uganda schoolgirls learn how to better manage menstruation, equipping them for educational success.

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Girls and women worldwide too often face cultural and social barriers—even stigma—around their menstrual cycles. The IOCC Foundation's newest project sets out to help change that.

Menstrual health management is a growing focus in the humanitarian sector: access to information, preparation, and support makes it possible for a young woman to successfully manage menstruation (World Bank). An issue of dignity, it also connects to health and education (UNFPA).

In sub-Saharan Africa, an estimated one in ten girls misses school during her period (UNESCO). Typical absences in Africa are four days every four weeks; many girls simply drop out once they begin menstruating (World Bank).

At school, successful menstrual health management involves individual knowledge but also the school facilities and environment. Access to menstrual hygiene products, latrines, places to change, and safe water is crucial.

Successful menstrual health management equips girls to become better educated, economically independent drivers of change. Teaching young women how to manage their periods is an investment in their success that promises to yield long-term results—for them, their families, and their communities.

HISTORY AND PURPOSE OF THE IOCC FOUNDATION

The IOCC Foundation began in 2004 out of a commitment to advance the mission of International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC), an agency of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America. The IOCC Foundation was also born out of a desire by those committed to this humanitarian mission to have a vehicle through which assets contributed to IOCC receive stewardship so that these gifts have long-term impact on IOCC's global philanthropic work.

The IOCC Foundation is dedicated to supporting existing humanitarian relief and development programs and providing seed money to establish new programs and strategic humanitarian initiatives. Gifts to the IOCC Foundation are disbursed to support the mission of IOCC. The IOCC Foundation is a nonprofit organization which exists to further the work of IOCC and support its charitable mission.



2018 ANNUAL REPORT



IOCC FOUNDATION, INC.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION • DECEMBER 31, 2018

(with comparative totals for 2017)

Assets	2018	2017
Cash	\$ 28,285	\$ 29,855
Investments	2,384,269	2,444,058
Total	\$ 2,412,554	\$ 2,473,913
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Liabilities		
Due to IOCC, Inc.	\$ 6,031	\$ 6,185
	6,031	6,185
Net Assets		
Without donor restrictions	19,254	20,670
With donor restrictions	2,387,269	2,447,058
	2,406,523	2,467,728
Total	\$ 2,412,554	\$ 2,473,913

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES • YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

(with comparative totals for 2017)

	2018	2017
Support and revenue		
Individual contributions	\$ 211,981	\$ 91,601
Investment (loss) income, net	(201,162)	354,805
Transfer from IOCC, Inc. -		
Foundation contributions	25,121	26,410
Total support and revenue	35,940	472,816
Expenses		
Grants	61,627	55,145
Support services	35,518	31,333
Total expenses	97,145	86,478
Change in net assets	(61,205)	386,338
Net assets		
Beginning	2,467,728	2,081,390
Ending	\$ 2,406,523	\$ 2,467,728

Our auditors have expressed an unmodified opinion on our financial statements. These financial statements include associated notes that are essential to understanding the information presented herein. The full set of statements and notes may be obtained from the IOCC Foundation.



Foundation-funded greenhouses in Georgia provide a revenue stream and produce for the local Church.



Dear IOCC Foundation supporter,

In 2018, the IOCC Foundation funded two innovative projects: low-cost greenhouses in Poti, Georgia, and health and nutrition initiatives in Gulu, Uganda.

Church-run greenhouses create opportunity for farmers while expanding the local Orthodox Church's ability to serve the community around it. Educating high-schoolers at a Church-run school about healthful diets, and supporting menstrual health management for female students equip young people to successfully complete their education. These are just two ways the IOCC Foundation has invested in long-term growth.

Both initiatives allow International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) to contribute to stronger communities, and both will have effects beyond the life of the projects themselves.

Support from the Foundation gives IOCC flexibility that isn't always available with other institutional funding. Foundation gifts transform relatively modest amounts into pioneering projects, allowing IOCC to pilot new initiatives, build credibility and learning in new sectors, and keep abreast of changes in the humanitarian and development world.

Thank you for being part of this work. Thank you for investing in the future.

Yours in Christ,

Albert P. Foundos
Chair, IOCC Foundation Board

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