DONOR PROGRAM REPORTS

Eritrea and Tigray

Program activity through August 2026

Beneficiary and caregiver names have been omitted to protect privacy and dignity.

Eritrea Report

June 2023 - August 2026

Program Overview

Since beginning in June 2023, the Eritrea program has provided sustained monthly financial assistance to vulnerable children and young people facing parental loss, family disruption, severe economic hardship, and other exceptional circumstances.

The program currently supports:

- 32 active beneficiaries
- Multiple sibling households, allowing assistance to reach entire vulnerable family units
- Children and young people living in several communities across Eritrea
- Beneficiaries affected by the death, disappearance, or prolonged absence of parents, as well as households with very limited economic means

The program has expanded in stages while also periodically reassessing whether individual beneficiaries continue to require assistance.

Who We Support

Parental-status information is available for 27 of the 32 active beneficiaries.

- 15 have lost both parents
- 7 have lost their fathers and are living with a surviving mother
- 3 have a surviving mother while their father has been missing or unaccounted for following military service
- 2 have lost their mothers while their fathers remain alive but are serving in the military
- 5 beneficiaries do not currently have sufficient parental-status information recorded

Every beneficiary for whom parental circumstances are known has experienced the loss, disappearance, or prolonged absence of at least one parent.

The beneficiary records also document serious economic vulnerability. Some children are being raised by extended family members, some surviving parents are unable to work because of childcare responsibilities, and some households depend on very limited outside assistance.

A small number of young people who have reached adulthood continue to receive assistance because their individual circumstances - including significant health, psychological, or social vulnerability - justify continued support.

Age Profile and Transition to Adulthood

Ages in the source register were recorded when beneficiaries entered the program. To estimate ages as of August 2026, the elapsed time since each beneficiary's enrollment month has been added to the recorded starting age. Because exact birth dates are not recorded, these are approximate current ages.

Estimated age in Aug. 2026	Beneficiaries

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Under 6	2
6-9	7
10-12	4
13-15	8
16-17	2
18+	5
Age unavailable	4
Total	32

Two beneficiaries are currently estimated to be between ages 16 and 17 and are therefore approaching age 18. Five beneficiaries are already estimated to be age 18 or older. A further two are approximately age 15 and will enter the transition-to-adulthood cohort over the next year.

This age profile reinforces the need for a clear case-review policy at adulthood: whether support ends, continues temporarily, is reduced, or transitions to another form of assistance should remain linked to demonstrated vulnerability rather than age alone.

Current Monthly Assistance

As of August 2026, the program provides:

$1,950 per month in direct beneficiary assistance

- 15 beneficiaries receiving $100 per month
- 16 beneficiaries receiving $25 per month
- 1 beneficiary receiving $50 per month

A further $50 per month is recorded as support for the local Eritrea coordinator, bringing the current recurring amount recorded in the program register to:

$2,000 per month

More Than $61,000 in Direct Assistance

Based on the beneficiary-level monthly payment records, the program has provided approximately:

$61,475 in direct beneficiary assistance

between June 2023 and August 2026.

Period	Monthly Direct Support

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June 2023 - May 2024	$1,150
June 2024	$1,075
July 2024 - July 2025	$1,750
August - December 2025	$1,650
January - August 2026	$1,950

The changes over time reflect both the addition of new beneficiaries and the reassessment of existing cases.

Responsible Growth and Case Review

An important feature of the Eritrea program is that support is not treated as an automatic permanent entitlement.

Beneficiary circumstances are reviewed, and assistance can be adjusted when needs change. The register documents cases where support was discontinued after updated information showed that the children's living circumstances had improved sufficiently for their caregiver to provide for them. Resources could then be redirected toward children facing greater hardship.

Other cases have had their monthly assistance reduced as circumstances changed, while support has been maintained or increased where significant vulnerability remained.

This approach allows donor funds to follow demonstrated need rather than simply historical enrollment.

Program Growth

2023 - Program Established

The first beneficiaries entered the program in June 2023, with approximately $1,150 in direct monthly assistance being provided during the initial phase.

2024 - Significant Expansion

A new group of vulnerable children was added during July 2024, increasing direct monthly assistance to approximately $1,750. Many of these new beneficiaries came from households affected by parental death, the disappearance or death of a parent during military service, unemployment of the surviving parent, and severe economic hardship.

2025 - Continued Support and Reassessment

The program continued supporting the majority of existing beneficiaries while adjusting assistance where individual circumstances changed. Direct monthly support stood at approximately $1,650 by late 2025.

2026 - Further Expansion

Additional beneficiaries were enrolled beginning in January 2026, while assistance to qualifying existing beneficiaries continued. By August 2026, direct beneficiary support had reached $1,950 every month for 32 active beneficiaries.

What Donor Support Is Providing

The strength of the program is not simply a single payment to a child in need. It is the ability to provide predictable support over an extended period. Several beneficiaries have now received assistance for more than three years.

Donor contributions have allowed the program to:

- Maintain long-term commitments to highly vulnerable children
- Support sibling groups rather than separating assistance within the same household
- Add new beneficiaries as additional resources become available
- Continue assistance in exceptional cases where vulnerability persists into young adulthood
- Reassess existing cases and redirect funds when circumstances improve

This combination of continuity, flexibility, and case review helps ensure that resources remain focused on genuine need.

Financial Stewardship

Current Monthly Commitment	Amount
Direct beneficiary assistance	$1,950
Local coordinator support	$50
Total recorded recurring commitment	$2,000

This means that 97.5% of the recurring monthly payments recorded in this beneficiary register are allocated directly to beneficiaries.

The register is principally a beneficiary-support record and does not clearly document every possible transfer, administrative, or incidental program expense. The figures above should therefore be understood as the allocation of recurring amounts captured in this report rather than a complete organizational expense ratio.

Looking Ahead

The immediate priorities are to:

- Sustain assistance to the 32 current beneficiaries
- Continue periodically reviewing beneficiary circumstances
- Protect support for those facing the greatest vulnerability
- Establish a consistent case-review approach as beneficiaries reach adulthood
- Add new beneficiaries responsibly as donor resources permit

Future reporting can also strengthen the measurement of impact by tracking, where practical, educational participation and progression, changes in household circumstances, health and general wellbeing, continued eligibility, and reasons for increases, reductions, or discontinuation of support.

Thank You to Our Donors

Since June 2023, donor generosity has enabled the Eritrea program to provide more than $61,000 in direct financial assistance and build a continuing commitment that now supports 32 vulnerable beneficiaries every month.

Just as importantly, donors have made it possible to provide assistance consistently - month after month - while continuing to identify children and families whose circumstances justify additional support.

Thank you for making that sustained commitment possible.

To protect the privacy and dignity of the people supported by the program, beneficiary, parent, caregiver, and coordinator names have been excluded from this report. Sensitive personal circumstances have also been summarized rather than individually identified.

Tigray Report

August 2023 - August 2026

Program Overview

Since beginning in August 2023, the Tigray program has provided sustained monthly financial assistance to children facing parental loss and severe economic hardship.

The program currently supports:

- 32 active children
- 29 family or sibling groups
- Beneficiaries ranging from very young children to mid-teenagers
- Children who have overwhelmingly experienced the loss of one or both parents

Support has expanded progressively since the program began while continuing assistance to children enrolled in earlier phases.

Who We Support

Parental-status information is available for 31 of the 32 active beneficiaries.

- 21 have lost both parents
- 8 have lost their fathers and have a surviving mother
- 2 have lost their mothers and have a surviving father
- 1 beneficiary has no recorded parental-status information

Every beneficiary for whom parental information is available has lost at least one parent, and approximately 68% of beneficiaries with known parental status are double orphans.

The beneficiary records also identify serious economic hardship among the families represented, particularly among children enrolled during the earlier phases of the program.

Age Profile and Transition to Adulthood

Ages in the source register were recorded when beneficiaries entered the program. To estimate ages as of August 2026, the elapsed time since each beneficiary's enrollment month has been added to the recorded starting age. Because exact birth dates are not recorded, these are approximate current ages.

Estimated age in Aug. 2026	Beneficiaries
Under 6	4
6-9	9
10-12	12
13-15	6

Estimated age in Aug. 2026	Beneficiaries
16-17	0
18+	0
Age unavailable	1
Total	32

No current Tigray beneficiary is estimated to be age 16 or older. The three oldest beneficiaries are approximately 15.1 to 15.6 years old, meaning they will begin entering the within-two-years-of-18 transition cohort over the coming year.

The Tigray cohort is therefore younger than the Eritrea cohort, giving the program additional time to define a transition-to-adulthood framework before a larger number of beneficiaries reach 18.

Sustained Monthly Assistance

A defining feature of the program is that assistance is recurring rather than one-time. Children remain supported month after month, providing families and caregivers with a more predictable source of assistance.

As the program expanded, monthly direct beneficiary support grew from approximately $1,100-$1,300 per month during the initial phase to:

$2,475 per month today

- 19 children receiving $100 per month
- 10 children receiving $50 per month
- 3 children receiving $25 per month

Together, these payments provide $2,475 in direct assistance every month.

Three Years of Support

Based on the monthly disbursement figures recorded in the beneficiary register, approximately:

$68,755 in direct financial assistance

has been provided from the program's launch through August 2026.

This represents thousands of individual monthly support payments sustained over approximately three years. Rather than replacing earlier beneficiaries as the program has grown, additional resources have enabled the program to retain existing children while extending support to more vulnerable families.

Financial Stewardship

Current Monthly Commitment	Amount
Direct beneficiary support	$2,475.00

Current Monthly Commitment	Amount
Transfer/remittance cost	$92.81
Total monthly expenditure	$2,567.81

Approximately 96.4% of current monthly expenditure goes directly to beneficiary support, while approximately 3.6% covers the cost of transferring the funds.

This means that for every $100 spent by the program today, approximately $96 reaches beneficiaries as direct financial assistance.

Program Growth

2023 - Program Established

The first group of vulnerable children began receiving regular assistance in August 2023.

2024 - Program Expanded

Additional children were incorporated while support for the original beneficiaries continued.

2025 - Further Expansion

A third group of beneficiaries was added, increasing the program's reach.

2026 - Sustained Support for 32 Children

The program is currently maintaining a recurring direct-support commitment of $2,475 every month.

Why Continued Donor Support Matters

The numbers demonstrate both the vulnerability of the children served and the importance of continuity.

- 100% of beneficiaries whose parental circumstances are known have lost at least one parent
- More than two-thirds of those with known parental status have lost both parents
- Many are living under significant economic hardship

For these children, the value of the program is not simply the amount provided in one month. Its strength is the ability to provide dependable assistance month after month and year after year.

Donor support has allowed the program to honor existing commitments while also reaching additional children as resources have grown.

Looking Ahead

The immediate priority is to protect the continuity of support for all 32 existing beneficiaries while expanding responsibly as resources permit.

A further priority is to establish a transition-to-adulthood framework before the oldest beneficiaries reach 18, and to complement financial records with measures of beneficiary wellbeing, including where feasible:

- School attendance and educational progression

- Health and basic wellbeing
- Household circumstances
- Continued eligibility and changing family needs

These measures will allow future donor reports to demonstrate not only how much assistance was delivered, but increasingly what difference that assistance is making in children's lives.

Thank You to Our Donors

Over the past three years, donor generosity has enabled the program to grow from its initial group of beneficiaries into a sustained commitment supporting 32 vulnerable children every month.

Behind every figure in this report is a child whose circumstances have been made a little more secure because someone chose to give.

Thank you for making that continuing commitment possible.

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