

Since 1997, Back2Back has realized the importance of investing on a deeper level in the lives of children. Simply providing for a child's physical needs isn't enough. By providing holistic care, rather than merely meeting immediate external needs, we can truly help children to experience complete restoration. With this in mind, the Back2Back 5-Point Child Development Plan was created as an approach to orphan care ministry that addresses five crucial areas of child development.



## spiritual

Alondra is just one of 163 million orphaned and vulnerable children in our world. Alondra will wake up tomorrow knowing she is cared for by her Heavenly Father. Through opportunities for spiritual growth, such as discipleship and Bible study, we empower children like Alondra to not only discover their tremendous significance as an individual, but to also realize their unique purpose in the grand story God is writing.



## physical

The dining hall is noisy with voices as Alondra files in alongside the girls with whom she lives. Back2Back understands the importance of nutrition for children and ensures the children at the children's home receive healthy meals. Back2Back partners with children's homes and families to improve the quality of care for children like Alondra. By meeting needs such as medical and dental care, nutritious meals, warm clothing, clean water, and safe shelter, Back2Back helps to empower each child's body with the opportunity to thrive.



## educational

Through an emphasis on education, Back2Back invests in the future of children like Alondra, so they might break free from the cycle of poverty. When children have access to education, they are significantly more likely to become self-sustaining individuals who give back to their community. To see this goal realized, we provide each child with the tools they need to succeed, tutoring children who are struggling and even offering college scholarships to teens who participate in Back2Back's Hope Program.



## emotional

Alondra has two sisters who live in her children's home, but no concept of a nuclear family. Children we serve come from backgrounds of trauma, which can include past abuse, neglect, and abandonment. By living alongside the children and their caregivers, we promote safe spaces and gain trust. Through trauma competent caregiving, we seek to provide opportunity for healing in the lives of the children. Our goal is that each child would be restored to emotional wholeness.



## social

The schoolyard is alive with voices as Alondra plays with her best friends, Deynari and Estefi, who are also her roommates. They clap their hands together while chanting a rhyme. Back2Back addresses the need for positive social interaction. We guide children in the development of the four skills for healthy relationships – giving and receiving care, autonomy, and negotiating their needs. By mentoring children in these areas, we empower them to flourish relationally.