



SEND A CHILD BACK-TO-SCHOOL



Summary

Affording an education is a **major challenge for Jamaican students and their families**. The costs associated with attending school from the basic to tertiary levels is considerably high, especially for low-income households. Parents must pay **hundreds of dollars each school year** for items such as uniforms, teaching materials, registration fees, examination fees, and school maintenance fees. Given the impact of rising costs, **vulnerable families have not been able to secure the items necessary to aid their children's education**. Under this initiative, **students are assisted with financial grants** to cover school fees so they can fulfil their academic pursuits.

Selection Process

Food For The Poor Jamaica ensures the **most vulnerable students are prioritized** through a detailed selection process. Students are recommended by contacts that have encountered needy families, and a profile form is then completed with details on the **circumstances that show the need**.

For basic, infant, primary, and high school students, a letter is required from a community contact to describe **why the student should be supported**.

For post-secondary students, the applicant must **submit a written essay** outlining the challenges they face, their motivating factors, dreams, and desires for success, and the challenges of accessing student loans.

Impact

Funding the educational needs of students allows:

- Children to **advance to the next step in their educational journey** and to be more qualified for jobs upon graduation
- Students to **develop problem-solving skills, and critical and logical thinking skills**
- **Improvements in the economy** as educated people are more likely to **give back to their communities** by understanding the **value of a safe and secure home**

This project aims to reach over

400

students each year

Costs

Annual school fees vary depending on the grade level, starting at **\$250 CAD per student at the basic and infant levels**, and can go up to **\$1,400 CAD per student at the post-secondary level**.

Thank You

We thank you for your consideration to **support with school fees for students across Jamaica!** Together with your help, we can improve their educational journeys by **providing greater access to education**.

