

WHY SHOULD I GIVE?

- Over a million children - that's over 13,000 school buses full - are abused each year in America.
 - 1 in every 330 Americans develops cancer before age 20.
 - 1 in 8 children between ages six and fourteen have some kind of disability.
 - A startling one out of every five children in the U.S. lives in poverty.
 - Students who spend 1 to 4 hours per week in extracurricular activities are 49% less likely to use drugs and 37% less likely to become teen parents.
 - 20 million children worldwide die each year from hunger.
 - 1 in 5 high school students considers suicide - 1 in 10 attempt it.
 - The incidence of childhood obesity, heart disease, and diabetes is on the rise, but the amount of time given for physical education classes is on the decline.
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- A quarter of all women in the US will be abused at some point in their lives.
 - Depression affects twice as many women as men.
 - Women are 70% of the world's poor, and two-thirds of those are not taught to read and write.
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- Every year in the U.S. over 20,000,000 cats and dogs end up in a shelter. Of these, over 15,000,000 are euthanized.
 - Approximately 10 billion animals are killed each year in the U.S. for food.
 - Every minute, \$19,000 worth of endangered animals or animal parts is sold on the world's black market.
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- 120 million worldwide are hearing disabled; 160 million are visually disabled.
- 1 in 5 children are learning disabled.
- 1.8 million Americans over the age of 6 use a wheelchair.
- 1.2 million athletes worldwide participate in the Special Olympics.