



JAAS FOUNDATION

Annual Report

2022



Letter from the Founder

Dear Supporters,

As I reflect on the past year, I feel a deep sense of gratitude for the outpouring of support from our JAAS Foundation community of donors and volunteers. Without the support of our donors and volunteers, we surely wouldn't have been able to accomplish what we've accomplished over the last twelve months.

The past year has been a very difficult one for people all over the world. The recovery from the covid19 pandemic was supposed to bring about more prosperity throughout the world. However, the war in Ukraine resulted in tremendous suffering both within Ukrainian territory and beyond. People lost their lives. Others lost their homes, their loved ones and their jobs. Moreover, due to logistical issues brought about by the war, essential items became more expensive. Energy prices rose sky-high. This continued to fuel the global inflationary crisis that has been plaguing us for months.

On a personal note, when we started JAAS Foundation more than 7 years ago, it surely didn't cross my mind that we'd be helping children who were fleeing their home country as a result of the Russian invasion. It isn't easy to believe that we're in this situation right now. However, that is the reality that we're living in today. And as the Founder and CEO of JAAS, I'm glad that we were able to provide support to these people in this regard.

Over the last year, we continued building connections by meeting new people, and the challenges we've faced have strengthened our determination to continue doing what we're doing. I'm happy to see that our collaboration with UNICEF has continued to grow, and I'm impressed by the work of our Andean partners and beyond impressed by the dedication, commitment, and support of our volunteers and donors.

As we look forward to another year of work, it is high time to look towards increasing our potential to help people all over the world. 2022 showed us that plight in the civilized world is still possible on a very large scale. However, it also showed us that thanks to organizations like ours, people can continue showing solidarity and compassion to those who need it. Accordingly, our intention is definitely to continue doing this in the coming months.

Once again, thank you for your unwavering support.



Aleksey Sinyagin,
Founder and CEO





01 Projects

Non-profit organizations play a vital role in addressing some of the most pressing issues facing our world today. From providing critical assistance to disadvantaged communities to advocating for social justice and equality, non-profits work to make a positive impact on the lives of people around the globe.

According to data from the National Center for Charitable Statistics, there are over 1.5 million non-profit organizations in the United States alone, with a combined revenue of over \$2.7 trillion. These organizations employ millions of people and rely on the generosity of donors and volunteers to carry out their essential work.

Non-profits are also a driving force behind many of the world's most significant social and environmental progress. From pioneering medical research, helping people going through difficult times, as well as boosting educational attainment, non-profits are at the forefront of efforts to improve the world we live in. In other words, non-profits are an essential part of the fabric of our society, working tirelessly to address the needs of communities and make the world a better place for all.

The JAAS Foundation, with its various projects, is a prime example of the positive impact non-profits can have. The JAAS Foundation's annual report for 2022 highlights the organization's efforts to help people in need around the world. During the year, the foundation provided a donation of \$10,000

to UNICEF, funded generators for use by Ukrainian people, supported Andean Aid in teaching English to children in Delicias and funded the high school education of a Kenyan teenager who dreams of becoming a doctor.

Throughout these projects, the JAAS Foundation has upheld its values of being where needed, preserving and celebrating cultural identity, making people a priority, respecting different viewpoints and perspectives, and keeping partnerships open. By focusing on communities lacking resources and locations in crisis, the organization has sought to make a maximum impact and bring the benefits of technology to where it is needed most. The foundation has also worked to establish rapport with the people it serves and consider their cultural identities while respecting and celebrating different viewpoints and perspectives. Additionally, the JAAS Foundation has fostered partnerships with a variety of organizations and entities in order to strengthen its ability to achieve its mission and fulfil its vision of eradicating poverty and opening up avenues to economic opportunities.



Collaboration with UNICEF

The JAAS Foundation recently donated \$10,000 to UNICEF to support Ukrainian children and refugees affected by the ongoing conflict in Ukraine. The war in Ukraine has led to the largest refugee crisis in Europe since World War II, with 7.8 million people displaced. Many children have been affected by this crisis, with at least two-thirds of Ukrainian children being displaced both within the country and abroad.

In this regard, UNICEF has used the donation by the JAAS Foundation to provide various forms of assistance to these children and refugees, including access to healthcare, safe drinking water, mental health and psychosocial support, education, and various supplies such as health kits and winter clothing. UNICEF has also opened various centres and hubs to provide care and resources to refugees and displaced individuals.



Over the past year, UNICEF has managed to obtain the following results when it comes to children and refugees:

- Over 4.6 million people have been able to access health care;
- Over 3.9 million people have accessed safe drinking water;
- Over 2.4 million children and caregivers received mental health and psychosocial support;
- Over 857,000 children have been engaged in formal or non-formal education; And
- 189,579 households have been reached with humanitarian cash transfers to spend as they see fit to meet their family's needs.

Further to this, UNICEF has also ordered \$115.5 million worth of supplies to aid children and refugees in Ukraine. These supplies include health kits, water purification tablets, education materials, and midwifery kits. Of these supplies, \$72.3 million have been directed towards Ukraine, and \$55.3 million have been distributed to partners of the organization. UNICEF has also ordered winterization supplies, including blankets, coats, and boots, which it plans to ship to approximately 1,000 distribution hubs across Ukraine in order to reach around 450,000 children in need before the winter.

Last but not least, UNICEF has also opened 36 Blue Dot Centers and 170 Spilno Spots to provide critical care and resources to refugees and to serve as platforms for integrated social service provision for children and adults from internally displaced and host communities.

Generators for Ukrainians

Russia's attacks on Ukraine's energy infrastructure have been causing widespread suffering and depriving Ukrainian civilians of access to basic necessities such as education, healthcare, and food. These attacks, which have been ongoing for months, are also causing people to endure freezing conditions in their own homes.

Recognizing that it is essential for the rest of the world to remember Ukraine and the difficulties it is facing, the JAAS Foundation thought that it was more than appropriate to fund a number of generators to be used by the people of the country in these difficult times.

For this reason, the JAAS Foundation successfully partnered with WFU to deliver five Tagred 5500W generators to Ukraine. The generators were transported from Poland to their final destination, where they were received by the organization Help to Children of War, which is an organization that distributes supplies free of charge to disadvantaged individuals and public heating and assistance units.



Pictured: Mayor of Korsun-Shevchenkivskii town with the generator received from the JAAS Foundation, which will be used by the town's kindergarten



The generators were delivered to five specific recipients, these being:

- Kindergarten "Sonechko", in Korsun-Shevchenkivskii town;
- Bilenko Iurii, in Dnepr city;
- GO Naemia na Punkt Neznamnosti, from Uzhgorod;
- Brana Dmitrii, in Petropavlovskaya Borshagovka villange in the Kiev region; And
- Abrakhimova Alla, in Vasilkov village, Kyiv region.

Andean Aid

The JAAS Foundation's grant allowed Andean Aid to open a new "Help & Hope Center" in the Andes town of Delicias. The center exceeded expectations by serving 135 children, providing them with educational resources and teaching them subjects including English, math, science, and history. The center is split into two locations, with one operating at a coffee farm and the other at a public school for an indigenous tribe. The grant funds were used for resources, including computers, books, and a printer, as well as salaries for teachers and bilingual administrators. Andean Aid also held meetings with parents and academic competitions for the students, and some mothers received sewing classes to generate income. Moreover, through the usage of DTML software, children were

successfully taught English, and because this was an interactive exercise, the children's confidence and computer skills also saw considerable improvement. Further to this, the grant funds were also used for transportation and supplies. Overall, the grant allowed Andean Aid to provide educational opportunities to children who may not have had them otherwise. In addition, the program successfully improved the children's skills and confidence, which is definitely something that will continue helping the community at large in the months to come. This means that apart from reaching its educational objectives, the program and the grant also helped the children in question develop several soft skills.

The total grant for 2022 was \$5,000, and it was spent as follows:

\$2,400

Salaries for 2 teachers and 1 bilingual administrator: \$200/month x 12 months = \$2,400;

\$1,200

Computers and printer: \$1,200;

\$500

Books, crayons, paper, whiteboard, tables, chairs, and other supplies: \$500;

\$500

Transportation: \$500; And

\$300

Sewing materials: \$300.



Supporting Brenda Shilisia

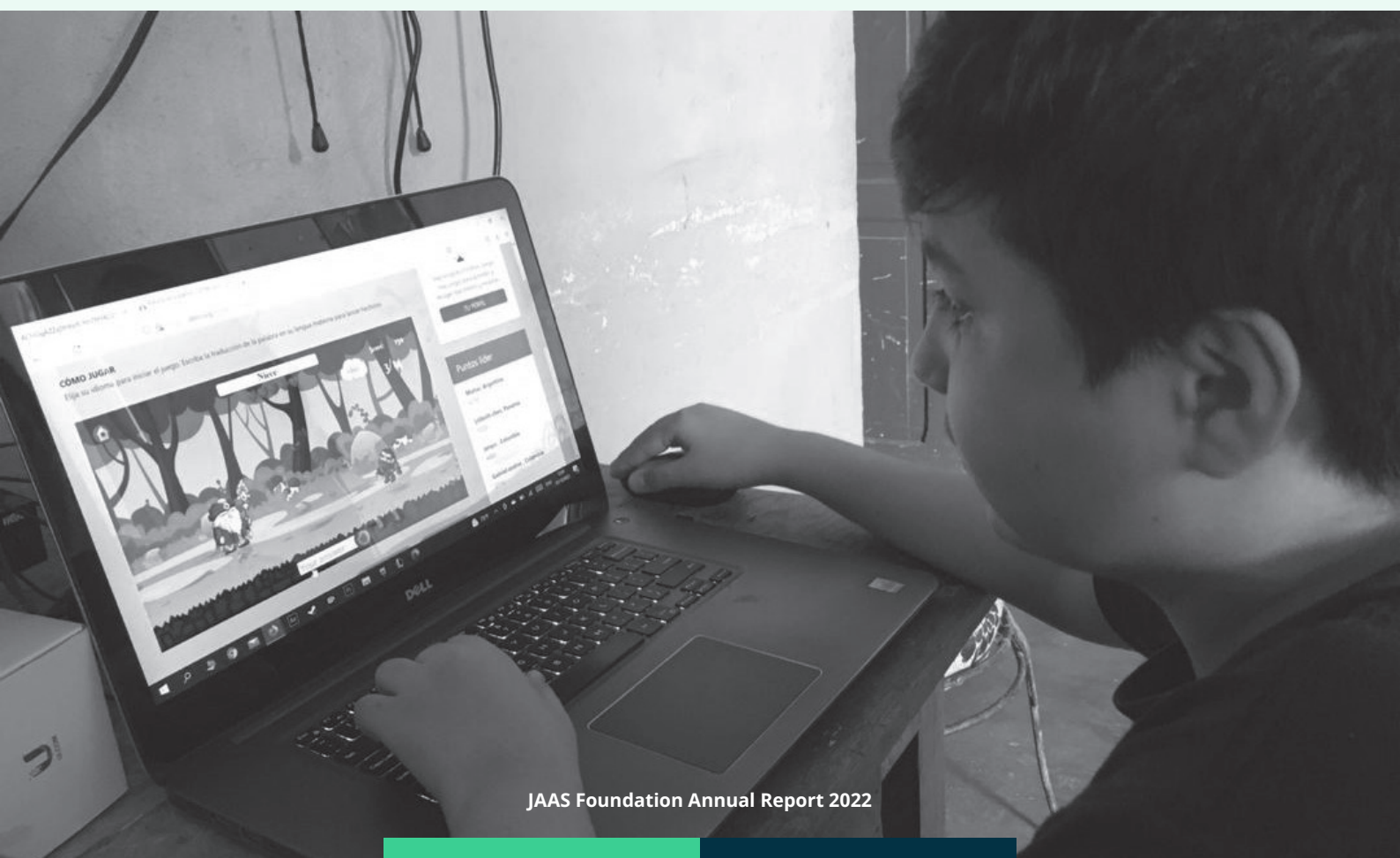
Brenda Shilisia is a Kenyan teenager who dreams of becoming a doctor. However, her family did not have the financial means to send her to middle school, which seemed to be the end of the road to her educational journey. Fortunately, the JAAS Foundation stepped in and provided funding for Brenda to attend St. Cecilia Girls High School, thereby opening an educational door for her.

According to the World Bank, approximately 85% of children in Kenya are enrolled in primary school, but this number drops significantly for secondary school, with only about 30% of students continuing their education beyond primary school. For many students like Brenda, the lack of financial resources is a significant barrier to pursuing further education.

While the JAAS Foundation's support has allowed Brenda to follow her dreams and pursue a high school education, millions of

children worldwide are unable to receive an education due to financial constraints. According to UNESCO, there were approximately 264 million children and youth not in school in 2017, with poverty being one of the main reasons for this educational inequality.

Investing in education is crucial for breaking the cycle of poverty and promoting social and economic development. By providing financial assistance to students like Brenda, organizations like the JAAS Foundation are helping to create a more equitable and prosperous future for all. However, more organizations and individuals must support initiatives that provide educational opportunities for children and youth, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds, if we're going to see an improvement when it comes to children being given a chance in this regard.





02 Finances

In 2023, the JAAS Foundation had an income of \$11,731 and spent \$14,605.2 on various programs to help people in need around the world, including children in need of education, refugees, and Ukrainian citizens facing an invasion of their homeland. With the approval of the board of directors, the foundation also used an additional \$10,000 from its reserves to fund these programs.

In order to make up for this use of reserve funds, the JAAS Foundation will need to hold additional fundraising activities in the future. However, it was important for the foundation to use this money from its reserves in order to provide critical assistance to those in need, including children, refugees, and Ukrainian citizens facing a crisis. By using its resources to support these individuals, the JAAS Foundation is working to leave a positive impact on the lives of thousands of people around the world.

03 Additional Activities

Marching in solidarity with Ukraine

In 2022, Aleksey and Jane Sinyagin, founders of the JAAS Foundation, attended a #StandWithUkraine rally held outside the Seattle Center, outside Seattle. During this peaceful protest, protestors rallied against Russia's ongoing aggression toward Ukraine, the killing of innocent civilians, and Russia's blatant violation of international law.



Pictured: Aleksey and Jane Sinyagin during the #StandWithUkraine rally in Seattle.

Meeting with the President of UNICEF USA

JAAS Foundation founders Aleksey and Jane Sinyagin met with Michael J. Nyenhuis, the CEO and President of UNICEF USA, in 2022 in order to discuss the numerous philanthropic endeavors undertaken by the esteemed organization. The topics of conversation included the work UNICEF is doing around the globe, the refugee crisis, education, and access to healthcare. Further to this, the two parties shared the JAAS Foundation's mission and vision with one another. It was invigorating for all parties involved to connect with other individuals who are making a tangible and positive impact on children across the world.

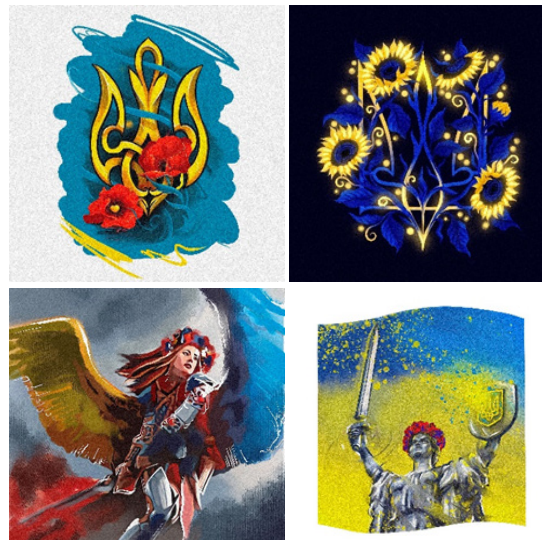


Pictured from left to right: Aleksey and Jane Sinyagin (JAAS Foundation Founders) with Michael J. Nyenhuis (CEO of UNICEF USA)

The JAAS Foundation also partnered with a Ukrainian artist in order to produce art relating to the War in Ukraine

In 2022, the foundation also partnered with Kateryna Sofishchenko, an 18-year-old artist from Ukraine. Ms Sofishchenko was born in Donetsk, located on the eastern side of Ukraine, but was forced to relocate to Kyiv due to the Russian occupation of the Donbas region.

Over the past year, Ms Sofishchenko has been producing art for the JAAS Foundation, which can be found on various merchandise items available for purchase at the JAAS Foundation Shop, located at the following website: <https://jaasfoundation.org/customshirt/#/>. We encourage all interested parties to visit the shop and support the foundation by purchasing these unique and meaningful items, which will continue helping us fund more programmes over the upcoming year.



Pictured: Some of Kateryna Sofishchenko's art

Concluding remarks

In conclusion, while the past year has been hard, we are proud to have positively impacted the lives of many individuals and communities, including those in Ukraine and the Andes, amongst others.

As we move into the upcoming year, we recognize the importance of fundraising as a priority. We are committed to continuing our mission of improving the lives of those in need, and we are grateful for the support of our donors and partners. We look forward to another successful year of making a difference in the lives of those we serve.

Thank you for your support of the JAAS Foundation.

