



**Project Activity Summary for 2006**

<u>Project</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Direct Cost</u>
Afghan Medical Library	In January, at the request of Army Captain Jackson stationed in the Parwan Province of Afghanistan, SoA purchased through Amazon.com medical textbooks to assist in the training and education of local doctors.	\$11,192
Afghan Schools	In June, at the request of Army personnel to refurbish and supply schools in Afghanistan, SoA provided school supplies and microscopes to 1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Mark Ruiz and 1 <sup>st</sup> Sergeant Donald Weber.	\$9,332
Agricultural Reconstruction	In March, at the request of Army Sergeant Rob Ness, SoA funded the purchase of 75 agricultural pesticide sprayers with related safety equipment to help revitalize this once vibrant region of Iraq. In April, SoA purchased bee serum to inoculate a colony of honey bees—once a thriving business in the Diyala area.	\$31,500
Championing the Needs of Children	In July, at the request of Army 1 <sup>st</sup> Sergeant Joseph Higgins serving in the Green Zone, we purchased backpacks filled with school supplies for 150 Iraqi children.	\$2,800
Children's Library Books	Continuing purchases started in 2005; SoA finalized purchase and delivery of thousands of books bound for 9 school libraries under the direction of Iraq's Ministry of Education and in partnership with LIFE personnel in Baghdad.	\$21,776
Gifts for Iraqi Children	In January, we were fortunate to cooperate with various troop requests for gifts to encourage and befriend children in need. SoA sent over 7,350 beanie babies, 3,000 soccer balls and other gifts such as coloring books and accessories and school supplies. Military liaisons included both Army and Marine personnel stationed throughout Iraq.	\$49,343
Gifts for Iraqi Children	In January, at the request of Army Captain Brian Moore, we purchased beanie babies and 500 soccer balls for distribution to children near Baghdad.	\$3,170
Gifts for Iraqi Children--Musical Instruments	In June, we purchased through SoA representatives in Iraq, a variety of musical instruments at the request of Army Sergeant Joseph Scone in cooperation with the Kurdish Business Women's Association for a school in the Halabja area of Iraq.	\$9,050
Iraq Project Fund	In May, at the request of Army Sergeant Charity Lewis serving near Baghdad, SoA provided 504 blankets to combat the upcoming winter weather.	\$5,339
Iraqi Orphans	Throughout the year, we supported the purchase of supplies such as clothing and school supplies along with sponsoring training and quality of life programs for orphans, primarily in Basra and Baghdad.	\$22,870
Marines Request Fund	During the course of 2006, at the request of various Marine contacts serving in all areas of Iraq, we responded to our most popular project area—supplies to benefit children. Almost 2,000 soccer balls, children's clothing and 2,000 backpacks filled with school essentials were provided to contacts like Sergeant Ibarra Morales Wilkerson, Gunnery Sergeant Erik Duane and 1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Brad Schob.	\$21,000
Marines Request Fund	In July, at the request of USMC LtCol Jim Wilmott, we purchased coloring books, markers and candy for a hospital in Balad which treats seriously injured children.	\$1,100
Marines Request Fund	In July, at the request of USMC Lieutenant Jim Wilmott and Lt John Schatzel, SoA purchased enough camping gear such as tents, coolers, sleeping bags, etc. for 200 scouts to re-energize Iraq's Scouting Community.	\$16,527
Marines Request Fund	In July, at the request of USMC Lt Col Jim Wilmott in cooperation with the US Embassy Personnel in Basrah, we purchased educational toys for 2 public kindergartens.	\$350
Marines Request Fund	In February, at the request of USMC LtCol Tayrn Gude, SoA purchased 200 "Fula" dolls which are very popular with Iraqi girls, for distribution as gifts and to generate goodwill. The dolls were received and photos and updates posted on the website.	\$2,000



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Marines Request Fund	In July, at the request of USMC LtCol Jeff Nagel, SoA agreed to partner with Marines serving in the conflict-ridden Al Anbar Province of Iraq. The Marines envision a "Benefit Day" to supply all the children in the area with supplies for school, a book and a small toy. SoA contributed backpacks filled with supplies, an Arabic-language children's book and a Beanie Baby toy for distribution to 10,000 children in the area. We have received confirmation that the majority of the supplies were received and were set for distribution in October or as soon as the delayed opening of school commenced.	\$204,640
Marines Request Fund	During the course of 2006, at the request of various Marine contacts serving in all areas of Iraq, we responded to the universal need to provide adequate educational supplies for school children by sending over 2,000 backpacks filled with school essentials.	\$25,000
Marines Request Fund	In March, at the request of Marine Lieutenant Matt Thompson, who is stationed in Al Qaim, a remote area of western Iraq often overlooked by traditional aid efforts, we purchased 1668 backpacks with school supplies and children's clothing. In addition, in partnership with Sonosite, SoA delivered critically needed ultrasound machines along with medical supplies to Al Qaim's primary hospital totaling over \$50,000.	\$67,851
Najaf Teaching Hospital	In July, at the request of Army Staff Sgt. Robin Mclvor, we supplied 7 cardiac monitors and stands and one microscope in an effort to help restore vital medical services to the Najaf Teaching Hospital.	\$40,000
Operation Snapshot	Beginning in March 2006, SoA purchased over 200 cameras and 3,000 packs of film in partnership with Polaroid Corporation to break down barriers and encourage positive interaction between military personnel and local citizens. The requests came from various Army and Marine contacts in Iraq serving across the country.	\$25,000
Project Fund—Heaters to Halabja	In February, at the request of Army Major Brunner and with the assistance of SoA School Partners staff, we purchased and delivered 80 heaters to warm a school in Halabja, Iraq.	\$11,040
Safety Vests for Afghanistan	In March, we funded transport of safety equipment collected by law enforcement personnel in California for use by security forces in and around Kabul, Afghanistan.	\$6,000
Special Forces in Afghanistan/Part II—1st Lt Mark Ruiz	Starting in January, at the request of Army 1 <sup>st</sup> Lt Mark Ruiz serving near Kabul, Afghanistan we purchased clothing, maps, kites, soccer balls and beanie babies to benefit Afghani children along with 4,000 school backpacks with supplies and hundreds of math kits. All items were received and photos along with updates were posted to our website to celebrate the good work of Army personnel in support of Afghanistan.	\$36,500
Special Ops Forces/Horn of Africa	In July, at the request of SFC Joe Roberts, we purchased 250 soccer balls (with pumps and needles), 250 school backpacks with supplies and 150 solar lanterns. All items were received and updates along with photos are posted on the website.	\$11,337
Women's Centers--	Continuing a project that began in late 2005, at the request of USMC LtCol Tayrn Gude, we purchased supplies for a Women's Center to be located in Fallujah. The items included 5 Dell computer and printers along with 20 sewing machines and related accessories. Also in June, 10 computers, printers and accessories were delivered in coordination with Army Sgt. 1 <sup>st</sup> Class Joseph Scone to a Women's Center near Kirkuk. SoA also shipped 8 sewing machines, boxes of fabric and notions at the request of Army Sergeant Sheila Matthews.	\$17,740